

When something tragic happens, it is important for our County agencies to come together and talk about how we can prevent such an event from ever occurring again. It is also important for each of the agencies to be reflective regarding their role in the tragedy.

In Brinnon, there [was a well-publicized machete attack on a mother](#). Following this horrific attack, our very busy county navigator helped to bring together County agencies to discuss what happened, how agencies had been working to support the family, and how such an event could be prevented in the future. Agencies in attendance included Discovery Behavioral Health, DCYF, County Commissioner, police, and school district. The parent was also invited.

A similar approach has also been used with a family that is struggling with their child. Regular meetings twice a week with a broad range of stakeholders has helped to bring about support for the family.

In both cases, the remote location and distance from services has been a barrier.

Port Townsend - [Travis Seebergoss, Blue Heron](#)

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