

Accomplishments



Washington Technology Solutions saved and estimated \$500,000 – plus several staff hours for its customers – by using existing technology to automate a painstaking monthly manual billing process involving more than 300 organizations. In the process, they also streamlined the work to dramatically decrease errors, improved customer satisfaction and redirected staff hours saved into financial analysis and front-line customer support.



The Washington State Patrol reduced the processing time for forensic DNA tests by 20 percent, allowing the Marysville Crime Lab to handle a record number of cases in 2015.



The Utilities and Transportation Commission streamlined its insurance verification processes so transportation carriers without insurance are off the roads 30 days sooner.



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