

Anchor Bancorp  
Form 425  
April 11, 2018

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM 8-K

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CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 11, 2018

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Washington Federal, Inc.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Washington                      001-34654    91-1661606  
(State or other jurisdiction    (Commission    (IRS Employer  
of incorporation)              File Number)    Identification No.)  
425 Pike Street, Seattle, Washington 98101  
(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)  
Registrant's telephone number, including area code (206) 624-7930  
Not Applicable  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  No

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On April 11, 2018, the Company announced by press release its earnings for the quarter ended March 31, 2018. A copy of the press release is attached to this filing as Exhibit 99.1. A copy of the March 31, 2018 Fact Sheet, which presents certain detailed financial information about the Company, is attached as Exhibit 99.2. This information is being furnished under Item 2.02 (Results of Operations and Financial Condition) of Form 8-K.

Item 8.01 Other Events

The Company's press release announcing its earnings for the quarter ended March 31, 2018 and accompanying Fact Sheet are furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K in compliance with Rule 425 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and are hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 8.01.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Not applicable
- (b) Not applicable
- (c) Not applicable
- (d) The following exhibits are being furnished herewith:

99.1 Press release dated April 11, 2018

99.2 Fact Sheet as of March 31, 2018

Important Cautionary Statements

The foregoing information should be read in conjunction with the financial statements, notes and other information contained in the Company's 2017 Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K.

This press release contains statements about the Company's future that are not statements of historical fact. These statements are "forward looking statements" for purposes of applicable securities laws, and are based on current information and/or management's good faith belief as to future events. The words "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "project," and similar expressions signify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements should not be read as a guarantee of future performance. By their nature, forward-looking statements involve inherent risk and uncertainties, which change over time; and actual performance, could differ materially from those anticipated by any forward-looking statements. The Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

April 11, 2018      WASHINGTON FEDERAL,  
INC.

By: /s/ VINCENT L. BEATTY  
Vincent L. Beatty  
Executive Vice President  
and Chief Financial Officer