

WASHINGTON FEDERAL INC  
Form 8-K  
October 25, 2016

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): October 25, 2016 (October 24, 2016)

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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)
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- 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))

Item 8.01 Other Events

On October 24, 2016, the Company announced by press release that its Board of Directors approved a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.14 per common share. The dividend is payable on November 18, 2016, to stockholders of record as of November 4, 2016. A copy of the press release is attached to this filing as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Not applicable
- (b) Not applicable
- (c) Not applicable
- (d) The following exhibits are filed as part of this report on Form 8-K:  
99.1 Press release dated October 24, 2016

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.

Date: October 25, 2016      WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC.

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