HERITAGE FINANCIAL CORP /WA/ Form 8-K June 26, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities and Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report

(Date of earliest event reported):

June 26, 2012

HERITAGE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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WASHINGTON (State or other jurisdiction	0-29480 (Commission	91-1857900 (IRS Employer
of incorporation)	File Number)	Identification No.)
201 Fifth Aven	nue S.W.	
Olympia ^v	WA	
(Address of principal		98501
executive of	fices)	(Zip Code)
Registrant s t	telephone number, including area code: (3	60) 943-1500

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ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On June 26, 2012, Heritage Financial Corporation (Heritage) issued a press release announcing a special cash dividend of \$0.20 per share. The dividend will be paid on July 24, 2012, to shareholders of record at the close of business on July 10, 2012. A copy of the release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1, and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits:

The following exhibit is being filed herewith and this list shall constitute the exhibit index:

99.1 Press Release dated June 26, 2012 announcing special cash dividend.

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SIGNATURES

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

HERITAGE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ BRIAN L. VANCE
Brian L. Vance

President and Chief Executive Officer

Dated: June 26, 2012