

# FamilyWorks

Family Resource Center & Food Bank

E Newsletter

June '16



### Upcoming Programs:

5 Week Parenting Class for  
Parents of Preschoolers and  
Toddlers  
Sept. 14, 21, 28 and Oct 5th  
and 12th

Please register at  
(206) 694-6727

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Join the FamilyWorks  
Superheroes in the  
Wallingford Family Parade.  
Meet at 10:15 in the Lincoln  
Parking Lot on Saturday July  
9th! Dress as your favorite  
Superhero or as your own  
Unique Superhero

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Family Advocacy, Teen  
Parent Program, Playgroups  
and more, see [Website](#)

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More info on anything listed:  
(206) 694-6727

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[Check out our 2015  
Annual Report Here!](#)

EIN: 91-1757277  
See the impact of  
your support!

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### Connect With Us



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I've been thinking lately about the choice that leaders have, choosing to guide with compassion and inclusiveness or with fear and exclusiveness. Like most non-profits that I know, FamilyWorks thrives on partnerships and in the building of a diverse community, knowing that this model serves all people in the best way. As we continue to grow at FamilyWorks (we have seen a **38% increase in participants** of our food banks,



servicing over **100 households in Greenwood**) and change (long term staff moving on) we continue to hold fast to our family support principles and carry on with pride. Thank you for being part of this collective effort in nourishing and strengthening our community!

With gratitude,

*Jake Weber, Executive Director*

(thanks to James Moes of Molly Moon's Homemade Ice Cream for the new photo)

## Shirley Ferkingstad Retires

Shirley brought a wealth of knowledge in Early Childhood Development to FamilyWorks and brightened the future of thousands of children and families. Over her fourteen years as Family Resource Center Manager, Shirley oversaw programs which strengthened the parent/child relationship, increased family access to resources,



information, and various community support. She was a steadfast supporter of children and families and we thank her for this dedication for so many years! We will miss hearing her deep laughter, and the way she makes children smile with bubbles and song. Thank you, Shirley.

## Those Of Us In Need Are Not Alone

Click [here](#) for the bi-monthly program calendar

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Please help us continue in **Nourishing, Connecting and Empowering** our most vulnerable neighbors.

**Donate Now**

& [click here to find out if your employer will double your donation!](#)

**Double the Donation**  
matching gifts made easy

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A few special thank you's...

#### Grants

- Amica Foundation
- Norcliffe Foundation
- Union Pacific Foundation
- Schiff Foundation

#### Donations

- St. Benedict's Church
- Fremont Baptist Church
- Molly Moon's Homemade Ice Cream

The following message was sent to

Mike, our Food Banks

Manager, from one of our Food

Bank participants who receives food

via our Grocery Delivery Program,

an absolutely crucial resource for home-bound seniors and people living

with disabilities who are food-insecure. "Hello Mike, First of all I want to

thank you and everyone at FamilyWorks Food Bank for your kindness...

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## [Summer Reading Buddies Needs Volunteers!](#)

Do you love reading and working with kids?!? Then Summer Reading Buddies, FamilyWorks' partnership with the Wallingford Boys & Girls Club, is the volunteer opportunity for you! Starting July 5th, Reading Buddies will run every Tuesday and Thursday from 4 PM - 5 PM until August 25th.

[Click here to check out the flyer with more information!](#)



## [Choose Your Own Adventure!](#)

Looking for a creative way to have a positive impact in our community? If so, FamilyWorks would love to help you "choose your own adventure" and design a personal fundraising campaign around something you're excited and passionate about! Utilizing your ideas and passions, your campaign will raise vital support for nourishing, connecting and empowering our most vulnerable neighbors.

[Click here to start your own community campaign!](#)



## [PNA Highlights New Food Bank in \*The Review\*](#)

Check out this article about the Greenwood Food Resource Center in the latest edition of the Phinney Neighborhood Association's quarterly newspaper *The Review*. The highlight couldn't be more perfectly timed, as the number of participants of the new food bank continues to grow.

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## [Now Accepting Donations for our School Supply](#)

## Drive!

The 2016 School Supply Drive has officially begun! Last year we were able to collect enough supplies to provide over 150 families with backpacks full of school supplies. With your help, our goal is to surpass this number!



[Check out this event page for more details!→](#)

## Charity Navigator Rates FamilyWorks 4-Stars

Independent charity watchdog organization Charity Navigator recently awarded FamilyWorks with a 4-Star Rating for financial stewardship and transparency, the highest rating offered by the organization. Visit the link for a step by step breakdown of the 4-Star Rating and to see how we compare to other non-profit organizations! [Continue Reading→](#)

