

## TAKING THE PLUNGE



*Alyssa, a Housing Hope resident, enjoying her skydive*

Earlier this summer, seven Housing Hope residents celebrated their success by skydiving! The event was a unique partnership thanks to Skydive Snohomish, who donated a portion of each tandem skydive registration fee on June 25th to Housing Hope. Overall, over \$6,000 was donated by Skydive Snohomish and staff to our work in east county.

For the seven Housing Hope residents who jumped during the event, it was a perfect way to celebrate their tremendous success in our program. Skydiving is a solid metaphor for how these residents have leaned into their fear and taken the plunge to overcome obstacles in their own lives. This event was a celebration of their achievements.

The residents included Robert, who is a single father raising his daughter in east county; Alyssa, a resident and parent who has seen her child transform with the help of Tomorrow's Hope Child Development Center; Jessi and Nicole, who have both graduated from substance abuse counseling and have been clean for a year. Both have also recently been reunified with their children; David and Tangie, who are very active in College of Hope adult life skills classes; and Skye, who recently earned her GED and overcame homelessness. Congratulations to all, and thank you to Skydive Snohomish and all who jumped during this event!

## GRANTS UPDATE

Housing Hope and HopeWorks have received several generous grants recently! Thank you to: Community Foundation of Snohomish County, Everett Rotary Club, Fred and Gretel Biel Charitable Trust, Horizons Foundation, JPMorgan Chase Foundation, Key Bank Foundation, Nysether Family Foundation, RealNetworks Foundation, Safeco Insurance Foundation, Stanwood-Camano Island Rotary, State Farm Safe Communities, Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians, United Way of Snohomish County, Wells Fargo Foundation, The Whitehorse Foundation and Wockner Foundation.

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### Save the Date

**Fill the House for Hope  
Silvertips Opening Night**  
Sat., Sept. 24  
Xfinity Arena, Everett

**Emory's on the Lake**  
*A very special evening for  
ChildHope*  
Mon., Oct. 24  
Emory's on Silver Lake, Everett

### Did you know

Many companies match charitable giving, sometimes dollar for dollar! Check if your company matches gifts to make your gift stretch further.

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# HOMES

## An update on construction and development

Earlier this summer, Housing Hope welcomed Monroe's **Fairview Apartments** to our portfolio. This 31-unit building in east county features seven homeless family and 24 Service Supported Housing units. Housing Hope Family Support Coaches also work on-site, making sure these families have the support they need to transition out of homelessness and poverty.

**Twin Lakes Landing** is expected to break ground this fall! This 50-unit development will provide adult life skills classes, child development services and job training programs for homeless and low-income



*Architectural rendering of Twin Lakes Landing*

families. Over the next 10 years this north county center will serve 182 low-income families while keeping them close and connected to their schools, churches and community.



*Construction continues on Monroe Main Street*

Team HomeBuilding had a busy summer! **Monroe Main Street** town homes are nearly done. The owner/builders have been working hard all year, and the community will be wrapping up this fall. Framing has been moving along at the **Heggar Plat** and **Parkwood Estates** Team HomeBuilding sites, with construction continuing through fall.

# JOBS

## Updates from each of our social enterprises

## HOPEWORKS

*a Housing Hope affiliate*

Over the past few months, **HopeWorks** has graduated three interns from its job training program! Congratulations to Ryan, Lois and Calli who have done amazing work in their internship programs.

Recently, the City of Everett awarded the prestigious Monte Cristo Award to HopeWorks Station. We're honored to have been nominated by our neighbors in the Port Gardner neighborhood, and are excited for the next phase of HopeWorks Station.

**CafeWorks** now features extended hours! Visit us from 7 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Don't forget our conference rooms – perfect for your next meeting!



Great news! **ReNewWorks** has received The Daily Herald's Readers Choice Award for BEST Resale Business in Snohomish County for 2016! Have you been to ReNewWorks lately? The selection of upscale, gently-used items are incredible. Come say hello at 3331 Broadway in Everett Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., and Saturday from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., or online at [www.renewwrks.com](http://www.renewwrks.com).

**GroundWorks** was awarded a contract for landscaping 11 housing sites with the Everett Housing Authority. We're excited for this work, and appreciate this partnership! Is your yard ready for fall? Talk to GroundWorks to make sure your yard is in good shape. [www.groundwrks.com](http://www.groundwrks.com)





# CHILDREN

## Tomorrow's Hope Child Development Center receives high honor!

Tomorrow's Hope Child Development Center has recently been given a three star rating by Early Achievers, Washington's voluntary quality rating and improvement system sponsored by the Department of Early Learning. This is a monumental achievement, and the staff at Tomorrow's Hope have been working diligently for months on this assessment. The rating reflects improvements to the physical classroom space, curriculum, supplies and toys. Tomorrow's Hope has also facilitated monthly teacher trainings to increase teachers' knowledge of early childhood education best practices. A huge congratulations to the staff at Tomorrow's Hope for this major achievement!



*Children and staff at Tomorrow's Hope celebrate the award!*

Tomorrow's Hope is the only licensed childcare facility in Snohomish County specifically designed to meet the unique needs of children and families who have experienced the trauma of homelessness or poverty.

## EVENTS SUPPORTING CHILDSHOPE

### *An Evening at Emory's*

**A very special evening for ChildHope**

An exclusive dining experience benefiting Housing Hope's ChildHope initiative.

**Monday, October 24, 5:30 p.m.**

**Emory's on Silver Lake**

**11830 19th Ave SE, Everett**

Save the date! Visit [housinghope.org](http://housinghope.org) for more information

### **Windermere Golf Tournament supports ChildHope**

On July 20th, The Windermere Foundation held its 22nd annual golf tournament for ChildHope! Thank you to Windermere and all golfers who made the day such a success.



# STONE SOUP

Our largest fundraiser of the year was a great success!

Thanks to your support, our annual fundraiser was a success! Over \$226,000 NET was raised to support our focus on breaking the cycle of poverty and homelessness in Snohomish County and Camano Island.

Stacy Pierce delivered a keynote speech at the event. Stacy overcame homelessness and poverty through Housing Hope programs, and now has a successful career in property management. Stacy and her family are now financially stable, and are giving back to the community that served them.

Congratulations to our award winners! Rich Menzel was awarded the Edwin R. Petersen Pioneer Award and the Housing Authority of Snohomish County was awarded the Housing Hero Award.



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# CIRCLE OF HOPE

*A testimonial by Rob and Kelly Hallum, Circle of Hope members*



"Homes change lives, and we've seen it.

Being in the mortgage industry for over 30 years, we see the pride that comes from having a home.

When a person is filled with pride, especially from something they helped create, it spills over into all aspects of their lives and is passed down to their children. The children are the real beneficiaries of having a stable home – their future is brighter, and they'll strive to maintain that standard which in turn helps their generation become better than the last.

Housing Hope is named appropriately. It offers hope, especially though housing. But it's more than that. Housing Hope builds a better community that benefits everyone. We are so happy to be involved with a nonprofit organization that has

the ability to bring hope to so many families in our local community. Housing Hope is breaking the cycle of homelessness and poverty one home, one job, one child at a time, and we're honored to be part of this mission as Circle of Hope members."

The Circle of Hope is a giving circle of generous donors who give at least \$1,000 annually to Housing Hope. Join us! Contact [alexanderlark@housinghope.org](mailto:alexanderlark@housinghope.org) for more information.

## LERVICK FAMILY VILLAGE CELEBRATES 20 YEARS!

20 years ago, Lervick Family Village opened in Stanwood! Earlier this summer, the Lervick family, Housing Hope staff and members of the Stanwood community gathered to celebrate this milestone. Carol Jensen, who initiated our work in Stanwood, and Todd Morrow, current board president and board president 20 years ago, were also present at the event.

The Lervick family has been supporting Housing Hope for generations. This tradition started with Arne Lervick in 1989, and continues today with members of the Lervick family serving as Housing Hope's Stanwood Ambassadors.

Over the past 20 years, the Lervick Family Village has served over 170 families!



*Carol Jensen and Todd Morrow*

### 2016 Corporate Leadership Partners

We are honored to thank and recognize a special group of supporters - businesses or their foundations that provide \$25,000 on an annual basis.

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## VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR!

This past fiscal year, Housing Hope volunteers gave 7,884 hours of time, worth a value of \$228,557! Earlier this summer, we celebrated the work of all of our volunteers, and honored our volunteers of the year. Congratulations to:

### Homes: Suzie Wright

Suzie faithfully drove from Tulalip to Monroe every Thursday to offer residents a free hour and a half yoga class to relax and get fit. Her commitment to the health and well-being of our residents is amazing.

### Jobs: Dwayne Carpenter

Dwayne has been instrumental in building and strengthening the sense of community at Monroe Family Village. Dwayne was also instrumental in planting a community garden at Monroe Family Village.

### Children: Jaidacyn Magrigal

Jaidacyn has been volunteering for over a year and half at New Century Village by providing childcare for the Teen and Young Parents College of Hope classes. The team can always count on her to show the children so much love and attention.

### Community Partner: Campbell's StockPot

Campbell's StockPot employees volunteered in April during their workday at Oakes Commons to spread eight cubic feet of bark. The employees did this as part of their organization's Make a Difference Week. This group is also active in our Stone Soup event, not only with their attendance, but they have donated the soup that we serve for over 10 years!



*Housing Hope's 2016 Volunteers of the Year*

## EDUPLYMENT PROGRAM UPDATE

Recently, an amazing group of adult learners graduated with certificates in manufacturing from Everett Community College through our EduPloyment program. We could not be more proud of them and this major accomplishment!

Our EduPloyment program is now recruiting for a retail and hospitality management program, beginning in September. Through Everett Community College, students will learn customer service, business and communication skills for a career in hospitality.



*EduPloyment graduates and Housing Hope staff proudly displaying their manufacturing certificates.*

# UNITED WAY AWARDS HOUSING HOPE \$277,000



*Photo credit: Ian Terry for the Community Foundation of Snohomish County*

United Way of Snohomish County announced earlier this summer that it has awarded Housing Hope 11 grants totaling over \$277,000. These 11 grants benefit programming in areas like our Service Supported Homeless Housing, emergency shelter, Teen and Young Parent Program, and several programs for homeless and low-income children at Tomorrow's Hope Child Development Center. These grants also support projects that expand our education and employment services for homeless and low-income adults, including internships at CafeWorks.

Housing Hope's theory of change is centered on two truths—that a family's basic need for housing must be met before the family can thrive, and that housing is only the first step in a family's journey out of poverty. Because of this support from United Way, we are able to continue thriving in our mission to transform the lives of people experiencing homelessness and living in poverty in Snohomish County.

## STRETCH YOUR CHARITABLE GIVING

Did you know there are more tax-efficient, savvy ways to donate than simply writing a check if you are older than 70 ½ years old? Congress made permanent the exclusion from income of up to \$100,000 per person, per year, for IRA "Required Minimum Distributions" that are given directly to charities like Housing Hope.

Ask your tax professional about it!

## JPMORGAN CHASE GRANT ANNOUNCEMENT

JPMorgan Chase Foundation has announced a \$300,000 grant to HopeWorks Station! This grant will allow HopeWorks to build its capacity, and work on:

JPMORGAN CHASE & CO.

- **Neighborhood Redevelopment:** HopeWorks will serve as the catalyst for a transformation of the Everett Station District through transit-oriented development. This grant also supports HopeWork's leadership in the Everett Station District Alliance, an organization of neighborhood property owners and community stakeholders.
- **HopeWorks Station Phase Two:** HopeWorks will design and develop a new 70,000 square foot building as a workforce development center and residential facility for vulnerable individuals seeking career pathways.
- **Social Enterprise Development:** HopeWorks will continue developing new social enterprises to join its existing enterprises of GroundWorks Landscaping, ReNewWorks Home and Decor and CafeWorks.

Thank you to JPMorgan Chase for this grant - we're honored to partner with you in community building!



### Housing Hope Mission

Housing Hope shall promote and provide affordable housing and tailored services to reduce homelessness and poverty for residents of Snohomish County and Camano Island.



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## DWELLINGS MESSAGE

With the close of our fiscal year on June 30th, it is normal to reflect a bit on the past year's accomplishments - and they are many! Monroe Family Village was completed, Fairview Apartments in Monroe acquired, Tomorrow's Hope awarded a "3" QRIS quality rating, CafeWorks at HopeWorks Station opened...and much, much more!

But for me personally, one of the most impactful moments came in preparation for an event at Adam's NW Bistro and Brewery, where proprietor Adam Hoffman annually dedicates his restaurant for a Housing Hope fundraiser. When asked to prepare some comments, I reached out to our Family Support Coach at Monroe Family Village, to gain some insights on our families being served at this new location. What I learned was truly remarkable. While I expected to hear dramatic stories of transformation (and I know they are occurring), I was told stories of community gardens, a summer block party and a Wednesday play group. I heard about community sponsorship of skydiving and wakeboarding experiences for our families, "Imagination Stations" for the arts, Campfire meetings, YMCA memberships and participation in the Monroe Parade. All of this in addition to successes of family reunification, life skill training, job training and new employment. I was struck by this new community of 47 families - mostly coming to us from homelessness or very tenuous housing arrangements - now experiencing this remarkably *normal* and *healthy* community. Just imagine the positive impact for these children!

This is what you have enabled us to create at Monroe Family Village and what will soon be under construction at Twin Lakes Landing in north Marysville near Smokey Point. Families and children from desperate conditions now growing and developing in normal and healthy residential communities. With your support, Housing Hope and the families we serve are thriving.



I hope you enjoy this Dwellings newsletter update. Once again, I invite you to contact me at [fredsafstrom@housinghope.org](mailto:fredsafstrom@housinghope.org) or 425.347.6556, ext. 240 if there is anything you would like to discuss. Thank you again for all of your support.



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