

# PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE AWARDS



## 2015 Recipients

### All Aboard Washington

All Aboard provides recreational, social, and educational activities for adults with special needs and helps them develop an active, positive, and inclusive lifestyle.

<http://www.allaboardwa.org/>



### Alzheimers Association



Alzheimers Association aims to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health.

<http://www.alz.org/>

### Arlington Kids Kloset

Arlington Kids Kloset meets the clothing needs of all eligible children, in a friendly, pleasant, and positive atmosphere that nurtures self-esteem, and thus enhances learning.

<http://arlingtonkidskloset.com/>



### Big-Brained Superheroes Club

The Big-Brained Superheroes Club at Yesler Community Center is on a mission to tap into the hidden strengths that all young people have through the interdisciplinary exploration of science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics (STEAM).

<http://www.bigbrainedsuperheroes.org/>



## **Children's Institute for Learning Differences**

Children's Institute for Learning Differences provides innovative school programs and therapies that promote social, emotional and academic development for children with special needs.



<http://www.childnow.org/>

## **Empower Mentoring Program**

Empower Mentoring Program creates lasting relationships between mentor and student, in which the student feels empowered to take responsibility for their own life.



<http://www.empowermentoring.org/>

## **Freedom Project**

Freedom Project transforms prisoners into peacemakers. We teach prisoners how to heal relationships ruptured by violence and how to improve their capacity to serve as family members, workers and citizens.



<http://freedomprojectseattle.org/>

## **Grow Food/Viva Farms**

The mission of Grow Food is to train a new generation of sustainable farmers and to reconnect people with farms. The organization operates three main programs, GrowFood.org, Viva Farms and Slow Money Northwest.



<http://www.vivafarms.org/>

## **KentHOPE – Union Gospel Mission**

# KentHOPE

KentHOPE is an association of local non-profits, neighbors, businesses, and churches who have joined together to discuss a cohesive approach to reducing homelessness in Kent. KentHOPE stands for Kent Homelessness Partnership Effort.

<http://kenthope.org/>

## **PCOS Awareness Association**



PCOS Awareness Association informs the public about Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome (PCOS) by providing information and resources for women to get tested, as well as providing support for women diagnosed with PCOS.

<http://www.pcosaa.org/>

## **Puget Sound Restoration Fund**

Puget Sound Restoration Fund (PSRF) restores marine habitat, water quality and native species in Puget Sound through tangible, on-the-ground projects.



[www.restorationfund.org](http://www.restorationfund.org)

## **Victim Support Services**

Victim Support Services supports victims of crime through advocacy, education and awareness.

<http://victimsupportservices.org/>



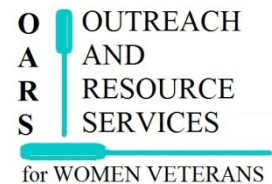
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## 2014 Recipients

### **OARS - Outreach And Resource Services for Women Veterans**

<http://www.oars4vets.org/>

Outreach And Resource Services (OARS) for Women Veterans sole mission is the betterment of our women who served or are serving in the United States military.



### **Rainier Beach Community Empowerment Coalition**

<https://www.facebook.com/RainierBeachCoalition/info>

The Coalition engages - and listens to - residents through annual events, including a Town Hall and topical convening on subjects such as Lifelong Learning and Community Economic Development. Local youth are engaged with great success, employing a Transit Justice Youth program and a technology-oriented communications program.



### **Soup Ladies**

<http://www.soupladies.org/>

The Soup Ladies provide warm food to search-and-rescue, fire, and police first responders. They were at Oso for two weeks feeding search-and-rescue workers after the devastating mudslide.



### **Kent Firefighters Foundation**

<http://www.kentfirefighters.org/>

Kent Firefighters Foundation's sole purpose is to help the community it serves. By providing funds for firefighters to access, the foundation gives each firefighter the ability to identify a need and react to it immediately.



### **Transitional Recourses**

<http://transitionalresources.org/>

Transitional Resources is a community mental health agency providing residential treatment, outpatient case management, housing, and vocational services to people living with severe and chronic mental health diagnoses.



**Transitional Resources**  
hope. opportunity. recovery.

### **Plus One Foundation**

<http://www.plusonefoundation.org/>

The Plus One Foundation serves children and adults with a neurological injury, disorder, or disease. It mobilizes resources to provide unique and enriching opportunities that enhance and inspire quality of life.



### **Washington State Smile Partners**

<http://www.smilepartners.org/>

Washington State Smile Partners is a non-profit mobile dental unit. The team has portable dental equipment and brings this equipment into pre-school, elementary, middle and high schools throughout Kitsap and King counties.



### **Washington Access Fund**

<http://www.washingtonaccessfund.org/>

Washington Access Fund's mission is to promote access to technology and economic opportunity for Washington state individuals with disabilities. It is accomplished through low-interest loans, long-term low cost rentals, and matched savings accounts.



### **Citrine Health**

<http://www.citrinehealth.org/>

Citrine Health sponsors a Breast, Cervical & Colon Health Program that provides low-income clients access to free mammograms, paps, and colon screenings.



### **Friendship Adventures**

<https://www.facebook.com/#!/FAdventures>

Friendship Adventures is an all-volunteer non-profit organization dedicated to enriching the lives of people with developmental disabilities. It provides social, recreational and educational activities in a safe, engaging environment, building interpersonal skills, confidence and lifelong friendships one smile at a time!



### **Assistance League of Seattle**

<http://seattle.assistanceleague.org/ps.home.cfm?ID=972>

The Assistance League of Seattle's primary project provides, each year, new clothing for over 1200 Seattle-area school children. We grant scholarships to children in grades 6 to 11 for extracurricular classes, and we award adults, who seek an education but may not qualify for traditional scholarship, tuition and book scholarships at community and technical colleges.



### **Northwest Urban Ministries**

<https://www.facebook.com/northwesturbanministries>

NW Urban Ministries offers an after-school program five days a week throughout the entire school year to help students with academic, social and community needs.



### **Eastside Baby Corner**

<http://www.babycorner.org>

Eastside Baby Corner (EBC) helps kids thrive by providing basic necessities for disadvantaged children so that EBC's partners—schools, social service agencies, food banks, hospitals--can help families become stable, safe, housed, fed and employed.



### **Seattle Community Law Center**

<http://seattlecommlaw.org/>

SCLC believes that high-quality legal representation should not be contingent upon how much money one makes. Their Disabled Homeless Advocacy Project identifies disabled homeless individuals in the community who are eligible for federal benefits and helps them navigate the lengthy process of applying.



### **City Fruit**

<http://cityfruit.org/>

City Fruit harvests fruit from residential trees and donates it to programs serving Seattle residents who don't get enough to eat. In the past five years, it has donated 55,000 pounds of fruit picked from three local neighborhoods.



### **Vine Maple Place**

<http://www.vinemapleplace.org/>

The goal of Vine Maple Place (VMP) is to break the cycle of homelessness for families in the greater Maple Valley area, helping single parents and their children develop hope, stability and self-sufficiency.



### **White Center Emergency Food Bank**

<http://whitecenterfoodbank.org/>

The Food Bank provides healthy food, diapers and other necessities to those in our community. With only three full-time staff members, the majority of the work done for the Food Bank is voluntary. As a result, the food bank spends approximately 91 cents of every dollar to the hungry and underprivileged in White Center.





## 2013 Recipients

### Sibling House

[www.siblinghouse.org](http://www.siblinghouse.org)

Sibling house was founded by Michael & Lynne Gaskill in 1997 in Kirkland, Washington. They believe foster families are stronger when siblings are placed together. They provide new and gently used donations of clothing, diapers, toys, food and supplies -- free of charge -- to foster homes that accept siblings. These kids are often dropped off at foster homes with literally the clothes on their backs -- often in the middle of the night. Sibling House helps reduce the stress for these kids and their foster families by providing the supplies that they desperately need.



### Friends of the Children--King County

[www.friendskc.org](http://www.friendskc.org)

Friends of the Children- King County chapter started in 2000. It is the only mentoring organization in the nation that pairs children from distressed neighborhoods with paid, full-time professional mentors for 12 years. They select high-risk children from kindergarten or first grade, pair them with mentors, and put them on a path to becoming contributing members of society. Each mentor spends at least four hours a week with his/her assigned child, every week, until the child graduates from high school.



### StandUp For Kids Seattle

[www.standupforkids.org](http://www.standupforkids.org)

Stand Up for Kids Seattle exists to end the cycle of youth homelessness. The Seattle chapter was re-established in 2008, and is made up of 100% volunteers, devoting their personal time to create a brighter future for vulnerable kids, while helping to make communities healthier and safer. Their Thursday night teams connect with homeless and at-risk youth to assure there are people concerned about their well-being and there to help. This critical bonding is the first step toward helping these kids get off the streets and live a better life.



### Outdoors for All

[www.outdoorsforall.org](http://www.outdoorsforall.org)

Outdoors for All began in 1978 with fifteen children. Now, it has continued that tradition, teaching children with disabilities to downhill ski at Snoqualmie Summit. They provide opportunities for disabled persons to get out and experience activities, like hiking, biking, climbing and skiing. They



provide the volunteers, equipment and venues needed for participants to overcome their disabilities and accomplish things they could not have imagined. The independence learned through these activities extends into their everyday lives and helps them successfully overcome obstacles.

### **King County Explorer Search and Rescue**

[www.kcesar.org](http://www.kcesar.org)

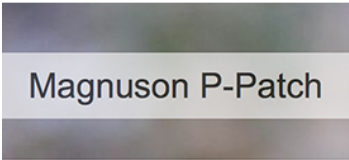
Members of the King Count Explorer Search and Rescue team are ordinary people with an extraordinary willingness to get up in the middle of the night – rain or shine - to search for lost climbers or an elderly person who has walked away from a nursing home. The 100% volunteer organization was founded in 1954 as the nation’s first youth-based search-and-rescue team. They respond to over 60 missions a year in both King County and around the state of Washington.



### **Magnuson Community Garden**

[www.magnusongarden.org](http://www.magnusongarden.org)

The Magnuson community garden, established in 2001, was designed to provide support programs for seniors, transitional housing residents, youth, people with special needs, and neighborhood P-Patch gardeners. Its purpose is to encourage people to enjoy the environment and learn about sustainable practices. It promotes beauty, neighborliness, living and stewardship of the natural resources of the Sand Point Peninsula. This year alone, their P-Patch garden has contributed over 2,300 pounds of fresh produce to the less fortunate.



Magnuson P-Patch

### **The Goodtimes Project**

[www.thegoodtimesproject.org](http://www.thegoodtimesproject.org)

The Goodtime Project was created to keep the magic of 30 years of Camp Goodtimes West alive. Camp Goodtimes assists Pacific Northwest children cancer patients. For a week each summer, an all-volunteer staff helps over 225 kids and their siblings cope with cancer: having fun in a safe environment with others in similar life-threatening situations. The care extends beyond camp to create a support community of friends. If kids are in the hospital, The Goodtimes Project volunteers rally to pay visits, send cards, or throw parties to create joy for these young people with cancer.



### **National Federation of the Blind of Washington**

[www.nfbw.org](http://www.nfbw.org)

The NFB of Washington has been the voice of Washington’s blind community since the 1920s. Their mission is to achieve widespread emotional acceptance and intellectual understanding that the real problem of blindness is not the loss of eyesight, but the





misconceptions and lack of information which exist. They do this by bringing blind people together to share successes, to support each other in times of failure, and to create imaginative solutions. They put on science camps for blind children, serve as mentors for blind youth and their parents, help blind adults explore job opportunities, do public speaking about the capabilities of blind people, and provide information and support to newly blinded adults and seniors who are losing their vision.

### **Real Escape from the Sex Trade**

[www.iwantrest.com](http://www.iwantrest.com)

REST was founded in 2009 by a group of men and women who wanted to take action against the commercial sexual exploitation of girls and young women in Seattle, WA. They work to provide a path to freedom, safety and hope for victims of sex trafficking and people involved in the sex trade. They offer safe and supportive short- and long-term housing, free of charge, so victims of sex trade can rebuild their lives through the education, employment and healthy mentor relationships. REST helps with case management and provides support as long as is needed to provide a real escape for these vulnerable women.

