The summer is special because we get to see so many school age children around here! We steer a lot of families to no cost summer activities, to the **free lunch program** (there's a fabulous site at the Wallingford Boys & Girls Club), to our collaborative Reading Buddies program, WIC, Family Advocacy and more.

On an exciting legislative note, we are excited to hear that full funding from the State Food Assistance Program is restored in the State budget. The cut to State Food Assistance unjustly burdened immigrant families, primarily in communities of color, with hunger. Also passed were continued funding for food banks (EFAP), 9% restoration to TANF and continuation of the Farmers Market Nutrition Program, increasing family access to healthy, fresh food.

In addition to these nutrition programs, we are excited about the passing of the **Early Start Act**, which supports high-quality and culturally responsive care for children and much more. This is great news! For more information check out the [Children's Alliance](http://www.childrensalliance.org) or [Food Lifeline](http://www.foodlifeline.org) sites.

**Jake Weber, Executive Director**

PS - Yeah on Marriage Equality!

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**Annual FamilyWorks Supper & Silent Auction 10/25/15**

It's a special year - our 20th! We hope you can make it for this celebratory event at Tom Douglas' Palace Ballroom.

We would like to extend our thanks to our sponsors: [Molly Moon's Homemade Ice Cream](http://www.mollymoon.com), [HomeStreet Bank](http://www.homenorthbank.com), [Adobe](http://www.adobe.com), [Banner Bank](http://www.bannerbank.com), [Dick's Drive-In Restaurants](http://www.dicksdinein.com) and [Jamie Flaxman](http://www.jamieflaxman.com).

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Thanks to those who participated in the Briefcase Relay and to the Fremont Baptist Church for their fundraising booth at the Fremont Fair.

To all of you who have supported our families in so many ways, we thank you.