



FamilyWorks E-Newsletter

April 2014

Upcoming Activities and Events

POSTAL CARRIERS FOOD DRIVE

Saturday May 10th

Leave a bag of food for your postal carrier which will be distributed to your local food bank.

Parenting Class

For parents of

School-Age Children

Five weeks from

May 7-June 4

6:30-8:30 pm

Please call to register 206-694-6727

Home Buying Workshop

May 17th 10:30-3:30

Buying and Financing a Home - led by Jamie Flaxman and Ryan Niles. To register call Ryan at 206-521-6129.

Interested in hearing more about family volunteering opportunities?

Or being a "Reading Buddy" over the summer? Contact [Elizabeth Ralston](#), Volunteer Coordinator 206 576-6534

WALLINGFORD FAMILY PARADE AND FESTIVAL July 5th

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

I am **sure** that all of these April showers will bring us May flowers!

It does feel like a time of transition right now. The Board is taking a look at whether service gaps exist for people in the north end around food insecurity and family support and whether we can address these needs in what capacity! In the meantime, we've already got a few new things going - the weekend food backpack program which started this month and the garden plots with our Family Volunteering program are in the works. We look forward to partnering with you all now and in the future, when **all** is blooming.

Jake Weber, Director

GiveBIG on MAY 6th

[GiveBIG](#) is coming! **May 6th** is the day when the [Seattle Foundation](#) matches a percentage of all donations to local non-profits.

Please consider making a donation to **FamilyWorks** during [GiveBIG](#) and **join us in cultivating a more resilient community for everyone.**



Ever Wonder Why We Love Playgroups?

All will be revealed to you as you watch this short video (from the [FamilyWorks blog](#)) made by Leah Knopf, MSW intern, about the benefits of **Parent/Child Playgroups** on the lives of children and families. Thanks for tuning in!

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Food for Kids Over the Weekend!

We are excited to be working in partnership with our donors and schools to start a **weekend "backpack" food program** for local youth.

We know that kids who are eligible for free and reduced lunch are nourished throughout the week at school. What happens over the weekend? **FamilyWorks** is purchasing "kid friendly" foods for 20 students at **Hamilton Middle School** to take home for the weekend. We hope to expand to more local schools in need.

Thank you to all of the donors and partners who have supported this project!

Early Birds in on Sunday Supper

Some wonderful businesses have stepped up as sponsors for our **dinner on October 26th at Tom Douglas' Palace Ballroom**. Thank you to [Molly Moon](#), [Banner Bank](#) and [Jamie Flaxman](#) for your leadership gifts.