Recently, NW Children’s Fund surveyed the organizations it supports to gather essential feedback and measure the growing impact NW Children’s Fund has on our region’s child welfare landscape. The results were inspiring.

In 2008 alone, NW Children’s Fund’s grants enabled organizations to make a positive change in the lives of over 75,000 children and families. In our first quarter century, NW Children’s Fund has funded over 300 effective programs, providing essential support to agencies that now serve well over 1.3 million in our area each year. None of this would have been possible without your generous support.

The survey went beyond numbers, asking organizations to share their impressions of NW Children’s Fund—our role in the community, the significance of our grants to their organization, and stories about how NW Children’s Fund had helped touch the life of a child.

Here are just a handful of the responses we received:

“NW Children’s Fund changes lives of the most vulnerable and most hopeful segment of our society, our children. Children are strong and resilient if they are provided with the resources and support they need to thrive. NW Children’s Fund provides resources that allow nonprofit organizations to share their expertise and together, we provide healing for children at their time of greatest need.”

Miriam Barnett
Executive Director,
YWCA Pierce County

“Over the years, NW Children’s Fund has kept its eye on its most important goal—ensuring that every child in Washington has an opportunity to grow up happy, healthy and loved.”

Jack Edgerton
Executive Director,
Parent Trust for Washington Children

“NW Children’s Fund Board members take the time to deeply research and understand the organizations they fund. For those of us in the non-profit world, this is an enormous gift.”

Janis Avery
Executive Director, Treehouse

If you’ve ever doubted the impact of your donations, we invite you to read through more of the stories and impressions at nwcf.org.

We thank our grant recipients for the amazing work they do, and for sharing their invaluable feedback with us. And we thank our donors for making a real, measurable difference in the lives of thousands of Northwest children and families.
What an exciting time for NW Children’s Fund! We begin the new 2010–11 fiscal year with a new logo and tagline and a new model of leadership for our board. For the first time, the NW Children’s Fund Board is headed by co-presidents. Together we have over 15 years of NW Children’s Fund Board experience. By sharing the responsibilities of this office, we seek to provide added support to Board activities and to the office staff.

As we close out a stellar 25th anniversary year, we embark on yet another pivotal event in NW Children’s Fund’s history—launching our new brand. The egg and nest graphic is our way of visually articulating the joining of agency partners and donors to create the support network for the most vulnerable children in our community. The new tagline tells our story in three simple words: Making hope work.

NW Children’s Fund’s success is made possible by our incredible community of generous donors and dedicated supporters. We look forward to our continued collaboration.

Best regards,

Yenii Chen Dex
Nicole Mortati Chang
Co-Presidents, NW Children’s Fund Board
### Healing Abused Children

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<td>Seattle Education Access / Support services and programming that helps K-12 and post-secondary youth make strong transitions to local community colleges.</td>
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<td>Bethany Christian Services / Post-adoption support services to adopted children and their families.</td>
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<td>Treehouse / Preschool and after-school tutoring and intensive academic support for foster children in King County.</td>
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<td>Childhaven / Crisis nursery and therapeutic childcare for abused, neglected and/or drug-abused children.</td>
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<td>University District Youth Center - CCS / Continuum of critical services for homeless, at-risk, runaway and/or street-involved youth ages 13-22.</td>
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<td>City of Seattle, Human Services Department / Pilot with YouthCare for Residential Recovery Program for Prostituted Children.</td>
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<td>University Street Ministry / Case management and services for homeless youth ages 13-25.</td>
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<td>Domestic Violence &amp; Sexual Assault Services / Support services and advocacy for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in Whatcom County.</td>
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<td>Families Like Ours / Reprise Project providing peer-to-peer reprise support services.</td>
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<td>Big Brothers/Sisters of Snohomish County / Volunteer matching and parent support program that creates and monitors safe, nurturing relationships between adults and children ages 6-16.</td>
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<td>Family Law CASA / Representation and advocacy for children in custody cases involving allegations of abuse and neglect.</td>
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<td>Big Brothers/Sisters of Southwest Washington / One-on-one professionally supported mentoring for at-risk youth in southwest Washington.</td>
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<td>Hopesparks / Art and play therapy for children who have been abused physically, sexually or emotionally in Pierce County.</td>
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<td>Center for Human Services / Supports at-risk youth to strengthen skills and assets for positive social development and move toward educational goals.</td>
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<td>Jumping Mouse Children's Center / Long-term, intensive play therapy and social advocacy for neglected and abused children.</td>
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<td>Communities in Schools of Orting / School-based mentoring, enrichment, and outreach programs for youth at high risk of school failure in Orting.</td>
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<td>Kindering Center / Early intervention services to meet the needs of children 0-6 in foster care.</td>
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<td>FanEatStart / Comprehensive job training for homeless and at-risk youth.</td>
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<td>King County Sexual Assault Resource Center / Danzo Voz Program / Support for Spanish-speaking children and families in South King County who have suffered from sexual assault or child abuse.</td>
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<td>Friends of the Children / Long-term, early intervention programming for at-risk children in greater Seattle.</td>
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<td>Lutheran Community Services Northwest / Permanency planning and case management for foster children and their families.</td>
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<td>Girls Scouts of Western Washington / Fostering a Future Program: Provides girls living in foster care weekly two-group meetings that support skill-building, healthy relationships, and a successful transition to adulthood.</td>
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<td>Northwest Adoption Exchange / Recruitment program specializing in adoptive parent recruiting for foster children in Washington State with special needs.</td>
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<td>Island County Readiness to Learn / Integrated support for homeless families through community and school-based programs.</td>
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<td>Northwest Immigrant Rights Project / Critical legal services and advocacy for abused, abandoned, and undocumented immigrant children.</td>
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<td>Jefferson Teen Center / Provide Thrive2 dismantle disadvantaged youth with a safe tutoring and learning center.</td>
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<td>Pediatric Interim Care Center / Intensive, specialized care for drug-exposed newborns.</td>
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<td>Peace for the Streets by Kids from the Streets / Support and services for homeless youth and young adults in Seattle.</td>
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<td>Ryther Child Center / Residential, outpatient and prevention program for severely abused and/or neglected children.</td>
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<td>Red Eagle Soaring / Empowering Native American youth through dynamic arts training and traditional Native American cultural skills.</td>
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<td>SafePlace / Integrated, wrap-around services for victims of domestic violence.</td>
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<td>ROOTS / Services providing a continuum of care for homeless youth ages 18-25 in Seattle’s University District.</td>
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<td>Secret Harbor / Programs to support the growth and success of children and youth who have a combination of behavioral, social, and developmental challenges.</td>
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<td>Safefutures Youth Center / Comprehensive services for youth development and violence prevention.</td>
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<td>Sound Mental Health / Specialized counseling services to help children and their supportive parents recover from domestic violence.</td>
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<td>Seattle Children’s Home / Programs helping children and families learn to manage mental health.</td>
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<td>Atlantic Street Center / Child and youth development, family support and professional mental health counseling to help families raise healthy successful children and youth.</td>
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<td>Boys &amp; Girls Clubs of King County / After-school program designed to combat generational poverty at the Renten’s Skyway Club.</td>
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<td>Catalyst for Kids / Parent Engagement Program: Training for parents who are veterans of the child welfare system to serve as mentors and advocates for parents entering the system.</td>
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<td>Child Care Resources / Comprehensive child care services for homeless children and support for their families.</td>
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<td>Community in Schools of Orting / School-based mentoring, enrichment, and outreach programs for youth at high risk of school failure in Orting.</td>
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<td>Cocoon House / Parenting and adoption services to create safety and permanence for at-risk and special-needs children.</td>
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<td>Deaconess Children’s Services / Teen Parent Program: Parent education, child development assessments, and care management for undermined teen parents with children aged newborn to five.</td>
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<td>Divine Alternatives for Dads / Comprehensive support services and counseling for fathers after incarceration or absence.</td>
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<td>Domestic Abuse Women’s Network / Services for women and children who have experienced domestic violence.</td>
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<td>Encompass / Evidence-based parenting program to repair, nurture and strengthen the parent-child relationship.</td>
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<td>Family Education &amp; Support Services / Home-visitation outreach for high-risk pregnant women and parents with newborns in Mason and Thurston Counties.</td>
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<td>Healthy Start / Provides critical parenting education, mentoring and support for high-risk families.</td>
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<td>Healthy Start Kitap / Home visits by nurses to improve the health, safety and well-being of at-risk newborn parents and their infants.</td>
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<td>YWCA Pierce County / Legal assistance for family members who are victims of domestic violence.</td>
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Barbara Turner, honored by a legacy gift to NW Children's Fund

The Annual Golf Classic: another important score for NW Children's Fund

When Violet Turner passed away at the end of March, she honored her daughter-in-law Barbara in a very special way. She made NW Children's Fund the beneficiary of a $48,500 annuity. Barbara Turner, a long-time board member, was touched. “I thought the way NW Children’s Fund distributes funds was very smart.”

“... it was important to VI that the work we undertake on behalf of abused and neglected children continue. That’s why she felt the endowment was right choice for her bequest,” Turner said.

NW Children’s Fund
Endowment receives First Legacy Gift

Have you included Northwest Children’s Fund in your will or estate plan? A legacy gift allows us to keep making a difference in the lives of our community’s children on your behalf. To learn more, contact Victoria Helm, Executive Director, at 206.682.8447 or vhelm@nwcf.org.

25th Anniversary Gala: oh what a night!

NW Children’s Fund’s Silver Anniversary Gala was the most successful celebration in its 25-year history. Funds raised that night made it possible to surpass the $10 million mark for grants invested in vulnerable children over the past quarter century.

This support is a vivid illustration of our community’s passion for carrying on NW Children’s Fund’s important work in the future. We are deeply grateful for your commitment and investment!

Guests were inspired by the words of Diane Jordan, our Golf Classic Chair; Victoria Helm, Executive Director, NW Children’s Fund; Julian Emmes, CEO of Business Operations of investment manager PS Westmore, Inc.; and Victoria Helm, Executive Director.

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From left: Jeff Christiansen / Golf Classic Chair; Bill Krueger / Golf Classic Host; Victoria Helm / Executive Director, NW Children’s Fund; Julian Emmes / CEO of Business Operations of investment manager PS Westmore, Inc.; Victoria Helm, Executive Director