Make a Difference in the Lives of Seniors

Donate a Community Meal

Each week, we serve a community meal to the senior residents at Athene, one of our Kirkland communities. These events serve to bring the community together and foster beautiful friendships among neighbors and with volunteers. The events also are a vital program to ensure food security for our senior folks, many of whom struggle with chronic health issues, depression, and isolation. A healthy meal once a week, when shared with your community, is nourishment for both the body and the soul.

The Athene community is special. It is warm, and welcoming, and supportive. We invite you to be a part of it by contributing a hot meal, and sharing it with residents at Athene.

We serve breakfast and dinner, alternating weeks. Upcoming dates in need of volunteers are:

- Tuesday, Feb. 19th (breakfast)
- Tuesday, March 5th (breakfast)
- Wednesday, March 13 (dinner)
- Tuesday, March 19 (breakfast)

"It's a family atmosphere…The volunteers who come in are really personable and great people, and we all come down and everyone laughs, and we have an opportunity to meet the people around us. And the food is so good!" – Imagine Housing Resident

To sign up to volunteer, click HERE

Make a Difference in Your Community

The 2019 Imagine Gala & Auction

You can change lives in the entire Eastside community by participating in the 2019 Imagine Gala & Auction. You hold the key to safe, stable, affordable homes. Join us for an evening of fun, food, and competitive giving so we can continue to develop affordable housing, build welcoming communities, and foster vibrant futures.

Proceeds from the event, which includes both silent and live auctions, go toward our Imagine 1000 goal of providing 1,000 affordable apartments and serving more than 2,400 residents by 2022.

If you are not able to attend, would you consider a donation to help our neighbors in need? You can make a donation here. Another way to help is to donate things such as services, gift cards, or experiences for our silent auction. We are always looking for new and fun items so please consider donating an item.

We would not be able to do this event without the support of volunteers. If you're interested in volunteering, please sign up!

What Microsoft's Gift will Really Mean for the Eastside

Villette Nolon

There was excitement in the room as Microsoft President Brad Smith exhorted other business leaders to join his company in investing $500 million in combating housing unaffordability in East King County. Imagine Housing was fortunate to be present at Microsoft's big January 17th announcement. In the weeks that followed, I have been asked many questions about how this investment will impact our organization, our residents, and our community.

So how will this change the conversation about producing affordable housing on the Eastside? What is still unknown are the details for how Microsoft will deploy the money and to whom.

We admire Microsoft's extensive research, their commitment and effort to understand the landscape and challenges around the issue of affordable housing before they put their stake in the ground. We also know that Microsoft wants to do things in a "scalable" way, meaning to leverage their funding efficiently in a way that produces the most amount of housing.

Microsoft recognizes they've changed our world once, and now they will change it again. What Microsoft's gift really means is the far-reaching impact of awareness on the affordable housing crisis. Even more impactful is Microsoft's appeal to cities and business leaders around the region to prioritize the housing issue that is so deeply dividing our communities. If you want to see more of the details of the presentation made on January 17th, please go to this link.

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