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Annual Fundraising Luncheon Raises Record \$332,800

Monies will directly support families in-crisis here in King County

Seattle, WA — At its annual spring benefit luncheon, Family Services of King County set a new record for the event by raising more than \$322,800 in support of its programs that serve many of the community's most vulnerable families and individuals. Held last Tuesday, April 25, the 12th annual event also set an attendance record with more than 740 people attending.

Family Services' CEO/President Ruthann Howell presented a vision for the Agency that includes a Family Resource Center for homeless families situated in the downtown area of Seattle. In her keynote address, well-known, northwest philanthropist, Karen Moyer gave the audience many additional reasons to support the vital work of Family Services. KIRO-TV news anchor Steve Raible emceed the event for the ninth year.

The event was underwritten by more than forty local companies, including premier sponsor, Davis Wright Tremaine, and patron sponsors such The Boeing Company, Columbia Bank, DLA Piper Rudnick Gray Cary, Washington Mutual, and Washington Real Estate Partners. The corporate sponsorship allows all of the money raised at the event to go directly to programs that support homeless and at-risk families, stop domestic violence and improve mental health functioning.

“Each year the event gets bigger and better. We are thrilled at the positive responses to the vision that we presented. All of our supporters and sponsors recognize both the need for our services as well as the value that they bring to the community,” said Howell.

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Family Services of King County

Part of the community since 1892, Family Services has been making a difference in people's lives for 114 years. Family Services provides Family Stabilization, Community Violence Prevention and Mental Health Counseling programs designed to strengthen families. Family Services' mission is to build emotionally healthy, self-sufficient families and a non-violent community in which they can thrive. Last year over 8,000 King County residents accessed Family Services programs.