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A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO, LAUREN THOMAS

“You’re working to eliminate poverty on the eastside? That must be an easy job!”

We’ve all heard it: The eastern shores of Lake Washington are home to a blanket of opulent bedroom communities linked together by mega-mansions and luxury cars. But while it is true that half of the state’s 20 wealthiest zip codes are in east King County, that statistic does not tell the entire story.

There also is poverty on the eastside. In fact more than 86,000 people in Hopelink’s service area are in poverty. One out of every five kids in the Bellevue School District qualifies for the free and reduced-price lunch program. Other eastside school districts are not far behind. And in north King County, as many as one-in-three kids is eligible for a school meal program – even though the Shoreline area also is home to higher-income neighborhoods.

For many – such as the Kirkland family profiled in the Seattle Times Fund for the Needy story on page 14 – it wasn’t always that way. Such life-altering events as a devastating car accident can change a family’s focus in an instant, from getting ahead to just getting by.

For Hopelink, the co-existence of lower and higher income levels can mean fighting a stereotype as we fight poverty. Helping people who happen to live in an area where many believe no one needs help.

For Hopelink families, making ends meet in an area with a high cost of living poses another challenge. According to the National Low Income Housing Coalition, a worker in King County must earn $17.36 an hour, or $33,330 a year, just to afford a one-bedroom apartment.

But, the reality is that of the almost 10,000 households Hopelink serves, only 14 percent make more than $30,000 per year. And while we often hear talk of soaring rents in the city of Seattle, the reality is that a one-bedroom apartment in Bellevue costs about the same — $1,386 on average.

Having a warm, safe place to live and enough to eat are the cornerstones of stability. Without this foundation, none of the other essential steps in the journey from crisis to self-sufficiency are possible. It is difficult enough to land a job when you’re homeless, but showing up for work every day when you don’t know where you will be sleeping that night is nearly impossible. Focusing on job training or improving your English-speaking skills is much more difficult when you know your kids will be going to bed hungry.

Hopelink programs are twofold: helping those we serve achieve stability, and equipping them to exit poverty. Housing, food, help with utility bills are necessary for stability. Adult education, financial literacy, family development and help finding a job are the next steps toward self-sufficiency. And as we face the reality that poverty knows no distinct boundaries or zip codes, we also must realize that programs aimed at helping low-income families and individuals in our community are essential to the fabric of our entire area.

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HOW THE COMMUNITY HELPED

REACHING OUT LUNCHEON
A total of 1,168 guests attended Hopelink’s 19th annual Reaching Out Luncheon and heard from guest speaker Donald Driver, and from past and present Hopelink clients, who shared their stories of hope and inspiration. The event, at Bellevue’s Meydenbauer Center, generated $974,858 for Hopelink.

TURKEY TROT
Rain and wind could not deter 1,457 registrants and sponsors from gathering at Kirkland’s Marina Park in November for Hopelink’s 14th Annual Turkey Trot. Together the community raised $58,467. There were $156,928 in additional donations in support of Turkey Trot for a total of $215,395.

Presented by
FredMeyer

VOLUNTEERISM
In 2014, 3,246 volunteers donated 65,744 hours of their time to help Hopelink in various ways, such as staffing food banks, helping tutor adults in ESL, math and literacy, helping people navigate public transportation, or by gleaning farm-fresh produce for use in our food banks.

END SUMMER HUNGER
An amazing 6,803 visits to Hopelink’s food banks during the summer months brought food home for children through the End Summer Hunger Campaign. This campaign serves families whose kids benefit from the Free and Reduced Price Meal Program during the school year. Donations to End Summer Hunger enabled Hopelink to purchase nutritious food items for children in our community.

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Bank of America
Hopelink is working hard in your community, providing stability to those in crisis, and equipping community members with the skills and education needed to exit poverty. In 2014 Hopelink provided an incredible array of services to more than 60,000 people throughout our community.

**PROVIDING STABILITY TO THOSE IN CRISIS**

**FOOD**
More than 2.1 MILLION meals were provided to Hopelink clients, and more than 15,000 people were served through Hopelink’s food banks.

**SHELTER**
Almost 600 clients were helped through Hopelink’s housing programs with more than 70 percent going on to achieve greater housing stability. An additional 1,135 households received assistance to prevent eviction.

**WARMTH**
More than 4,000 households were helped through Hopelink’s energy programs. A total of $2,644,225 was distributed to keep seniors, children and families warm throughout the winter.
Providing Skills and Education Needed to Exit Poverty

Education
More than 400 clients (some clients participated in more than one program) received help through the many Hopelink programs designed to provide the skills necessary to exit poverty on a permanent basis. More than 50 students received a GED; a total of 155 completed our English for Work program, and almost 300 were served through employment programs.

Family Development
Hopelink provided family development services to 164 families. Through the support of case managers, 25 percent of adults improved their employment status, monthly household incomes rose by 30 percent, and almost 60 percent of families, working with this program, achieved or maintained housing stability.

Transportation
A total of 1,376,773 rides were provided to 41,015 people through Hopelink’s transportation brokerage services, getting people to and from their medical appointments in King and Snohomish Counties.

Hopelink’s Dial-a-Ride Transit program provided 1,065,496 rides to clients throughout King County, getting them to school, work and other essential services.

Hopelink’s travel programs provided travel training to 34 staff members at social service agencies and medical/housing providers. More than 2,000 King County residents received assistance in getting around Puget Sound, and 263 individuals received “on the bus” training through Mobilize! Public Transit Orientation excursions.

Providing Hope for the Next Generation
6,070 children received a gift through a Hopelink Holiday Gift Room. 1,539 children received essential school supplies.
Financial Highlights
Fiscal Year 7/1/2013 to 6/30/2014

Operating Support and Revenue
Fees and Grants from Government Agencies $44,862,084
Contributions and Grants $5,163,109
In-Kind Contributions $5,532,523
Earned and Other Revenue $1,407,130
United Way $312,901

Total Operating Support and Revenue $57,277,747

Operating Expenses
Program Services:
Transportation $39,998,228
Community Services $14,296,868
Total Program Services $54,295,096

Supporting Services:
Management and General $2,545,788
Fundraising $1,708,026
Rental Property Activities $135,232
Total Supporting Services $4,389,046

Total Operating Expenses $58,684,142 (including depreciation of $1,611,192)

Change in Net Assets from Operations $(1,406,395)
Change in Net Assets from Capital Campaign $5,249,355
Change in Net Assets $3,842,960

Net Asset Balances
Unrestricted $13,093,541
Temporarily Restricted $11,445,268

Total Net Assets $24,538,809

Audited financial statements are available for review at the Hopelink Administrative office. The IRS Form 990 is posted on the Hopelink website at www.hope-link.org.

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Operating Support and Revenue
$57,277,747

- Fees & Grants from Government Agencies 78.3%
- Contributions & Grants 9%
- Earned & Other Revenue 2.5%
- United Way 0.5%
- In-Kind Contributions 9.7%

Operating Expenses
$58,684,142

- Transportation 68.2%
- Management & General 4.3%
- Fundraising 2.9%
- Rental Property Activities 0.2%
- Community Services 24.4%
Who’s Helping Hopelink

The ProSwimming Club of Redmond annual swim-a-thon went the extra mile recently as young athletes pushed themselves to their limits by swimming a total of 149 miles. The young athletes, aged 8-18, collected over $13,000 and additional company pledges from supporters. Proceeds will be directed to Hopelink’s Pantry Pack program, which ensures students have access to food on the weekends.

Thanks to organizers Kamini Chowdry and Candy Troy, an array of holiday baskets provided a cheerful and welcoming sight to visitors of Group Health of Bellevue in December. Some guests, who were previous clients of Hopelink, were moved to happy tears after seeing the attention and detail that went into baskets that ultimately raised $17,828 for Hopelink.

Talentwise of Bothell and Genie/Terex of Bothell and Redmond showed how employee competitions yield tremendous results. Lyndee Hakim, at Talentwise, led an effort to raise 4,159 pounds of food and $8,741. Craig Graves, Kevin Crowder and Kim Luu helped Genie/Terex smash the record for their annual drive, with 19,220 pounds of food and $1,249 in cash. They also secured many other much need items like toiletries, cleaning supplies and diapers.

Em’s Holiday Home tour at Trilogy Redmond Ridge was a sell-out event. Neighbors and friends honored the memory of Em, while viewing inspirational holiday sights on the tour. Hopelink is grateful for this dedicated community who choose to celebrate Em’s life by donating proceeds to our programs.

Residents of the Emerald Heights retirement community in Redmond support Hopelink year-round, and in many ways. This year they conducted their first-ever toy drive through their Treats for Toys Ice Cream Social event. The successful event provided Hopelink with more than 500 toys, and more than $4,000 in contributions. But more importantly, the contribution provided smiles to countless children who received those toys during the holiday season.

Eastside Fire and Rescue, as well the City of Redmond Fire Department, truly went the extra mile to help bring joy to children this holiday season. These well-respected groups were instrumental in securing and transporting toys from the Sno-Valley community. They also collected more than 6,000 toys from the Microsoft campus during the annual Microsoft Giving Tree toy drive. This drive also brought in more than $50,000 in corporate matching dollars.

As the presenting sponsor of the Redmond Town Center Holiday Carousel the Hyatt House of Redmond had the honor of selecting Hopelink as the beneficiary of donations collected over the holiday season. Hopelink is as happy as those who rode the carousel, because the community’s generosity resulted in $12,310 being raised for Hopelink’s programs that will benefit the entire community.
“I remember I was on a four-day trip with one leg left,” Sergio Valente said quietly. “We were flying Newark to St. Louis; we were leaving Newark and banking – heading west. It was 8:45 a.m., and I saw the smoke of the first hit …” His voice trailed off.

It was September 11, 2001. Valente was working as an International Service Manager with American Airlines/TWA, managing the cabin and serving as a Spanish-language interpreter, when American Airlines flight 11 from Boston crashed into the north tower of Manhattan’s World Trade Center.

Valente and other members of the flight crew were told there had been an accident, and directed to continue to St. Louis. Then United Airlines flight 175 hit the south tower. The crew were advised to land as soon as possible. On the ground in St. Louis – Valente’s home base – they were escorted to operations where they learned about the attack.

“It could easily have been our plane,” he said.
Valente vividly remembers the first time they were cleared to fly again. He gave the standard “welcome aboard” speech and then added, “let’s go … no one is going to keep us down.”

Passengers cheered. But the optimism was short-lived, in some ways.

“September 11th changed the lives of so many people,” Valente said.

The New Yorker – who had been working toward a pilot’s license and loved his job – was one of those.

Some say the airline industry was the hardest hit sector of the American economy following the 9/11 attacks. People were afraid to fly, and the decline in air travel and increased security costs led to bankruptcy for a number of airlines. And many that survived were forced to lay off significant numbers of employees and renegotiate labor contracts. American Airlines – which had acquired TWA in early 2001 – furloughed about 20,000 workers over a seven-year period, including Valente. None were called back to work.

So after 20 years of international experience as a flight attendant, language of destination speaker and flight service manager – and despite repeated commendations for his work – Valente was forced to start over.

He was living in Missouri with his wife and young daughter and knew he needed to find another job, if not a new career. Valente walked into the local Citibank-Citimortgage building and asked, “Do you need anyone who speaks Spanish?” He was hired on the spot, beginning in customer service and later working as a Latin American liaison loan specialist and mortgage consultant.

Years later, Valente began having back pains. He saw five neurosurgeons; one told him that if he didn’t have surgery, he would be unable to walk within a year. One back surgery turned into two, and then three, and Valente’s short-term disability grew into a long-term disability. He was let go from his job.

When he was able to move at all, Valente was steadfast about physical therapy. But his wife grew weary of his inability to work, and the marriage dissolved. Two years ago, Valente took steps to ensure that his now-grown daughter and ex-wife were provided for, tossed a few belongings in his car, and headed to Seattle, where his brother lives.

“For the first 800 miles, going from St. Louis to Seattle, I thought many times of just going off a bridge,” he said. “I’d lost everything.”

“But after 800 miles – I happened to look at the odometer – something changed. It was a beautiful day; clear as can be. Not a cloud in the sky. I started smiling. Something must have clicked.”

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And then the next day and the next, I’ll be feeling different.”

But optimism was not enough to pay the bills, and once he was in the Seattle area, Valente threw himself into looking for work and finding a place to live. With a solid employment history and fluent in five languages, he was surprised at how difficult it was to land any type of job.
“I would get called in to interview, and was told I had done very well and was qualified – maybe even overqualified,” he said. “Then I would find out they had someone else in mind – they already knew who they wanted.”

One day – losing hope and running out of options – Valente happened to walk past Hopelink’s Shoreline Center. He took a deep breath and slowly opened the door.

“Never in my life had I ever asked for help,” he said. “Never. So it was tough. I’ve always been a giving person; if someone has a need, I’ve always been the one who gave. And now it was the other way around … things changed.”

That day, he left with an emergency bag of food and an appointment to meet with a Hopelink Employment Specialist.

Over the next few months, the Hopelink staffer helped Valente focus on his skills and abilities and create a more competitive resume – lifting his spirits and boosting his morale along the way.

“I didn’t realize until I started coming to Hopelink that I was carrying this weight around,” he said. “They helped me … they took off that weight.”

Last summer, Valente landed a part-time job for an interpreting service, translating Spanish to English. Today, he is focused on earning state DSHS certification as an interpreter, which he knows will dramatically increase his marketability.

“Right now, I’m doing everything so meticulously – no stone is unturned,” he said. “I know that things are going to change, things are going to be much, much better.

“Hopelink has helped me tremendously. I’m standing on the edge now – I have a lot of hope.”

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but Hopelink offers road back

For Elizabeth González and Ismael Durán Durán, Hopelink provided needed assistance after a devastating car accident robbed them of their jobs and home. Now they get help with English and dream of starting their own business.

Their scars are constant reminders of when a car accident in the summer of 2010 turned their lives upside-down.

You can see where Elizabeth González had a tracheotomy to help her breathe and where the screws were placed in her back. Similar scars are visible on her husband, Ismael Durán Durán: on his back, where he also had surgery, as well as on his arms from windshield glass.

Four years ago the couple lived in a condo in Kirkland and Durán had a good-paying job driving garbage trucks for a waste-management company. They had two daughters and González was three months pregnant with their third.

“Life was good,” Durán said.

But the accident left the couple hospitalized for a month and both in back braces. Unable to work, and with sky-high hospital bills, they lost their home and two cars.

“We lost everything” González, said. “Our life was changed 99 percent.”

Struggling for the last four years, the couple turned for help to Hopelink, one of 12 agencies benefiting from The Seattle Times Fund For The Needy.

Like many families, González and Durán’s introduction to Hopelink was through one of the organizations’ five food banks. They started visiting the Kirkland food bank in June after their landlord gave them a list of organizations and churches with services to help struggling families.

The mission of Hopelink, founded in 1971, is to move people from poverty toward self-sufficiency through 35 different programs, including employment skills development, adult literacy, computer and financial education, food banks, energy assistance, and
emergency and transitional housing services.

“We serve all ages and demographics — about a third are working, and many hold college degrees,” said Hopelink spokeswoman Kris Betker. “What they have in common is that they are all low-income and require assistance with fairly basic needs.”

For Durán and González, both 44, the food bank helped them solve the immediate problem of getting food on the table. But Hopelink has become so much more for the family.

The couple both work nights cleaning a Toyota dealership in Bellevue, but they barely make enough to support their family of five, bringing in $1,370 a month together.

They moved into a trailer in Bothell in 2012. During the past two years, friends and volunteers have helped them fill it with furniture, paint it and fix the heater. But the roof leaks, the water heater is broken and the heater can’t keep up with the cold air blowing through the windows that don’t fully close.

Lifting the blue curtain donated from their daughters’ old school, González gazed out the unsealed kitchen window.

“We have received so much kindness,” she said.

The couple own the trailer, which they bought with $1,000 they borrowed from a friend. They pay $600 every other month for the property the trailer sits on, and $400 a month for their car so they can drive to work and make sure their oldest daughter can get to her clarinet lessons before school. They pay $120 for utilities, which goes up during the cold winter months when they plug in a small heater in the bedroom where they all sleep.

Couple that with gas and other expenses, and the family does not have a lot left for food.

They could qualify for other benefits, such as disability, because of their injuries, but they prefer to work.

“We want to give them an example of hard work,” González said about her three daughters: Iselly, 11, Elideth, 6, and Elsy, 4.

But in September the full reality of their situation sank in when their electricity was shut off. The parents had to overcome their pride and go to Hopelink for more help.

They waited three days before finally going to the office in Kirkland.

“When we arrived at Hopelink, the nerves, the stress, the depression ... it all left because they treated us so nice,” González said. “When someone is hurting, all you need is someone to treat you well.”

The following month, while shopping at the food bank, Durán saw a flyer about Hopelink’s English for Work classes, which help prepare nonnative English speakers to work. Both he and his wife are from Mexico, and each moved to Washington about 14 years ago. Durán is a citizen and González is a legal resident.

Eager to improve their limited English, Durán and González called and were accepted into the 11-week course, which screens for people who show an interest in finding a job, instructor Marci Williams said.

“The class is more than just filling in blanks on work sheets,” she said. “It is about learning meaningful communication and thinking skills.”

Working from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. at the Toyota dealership, Durán and González attended every Monday and Wednesday morning class, eager to learn. They had to arrange special child care for their youngest and reschedule some chiropractor appointments, but, “They are extremely dedicated,” Williams said.

During the first week of December, the class had a guest speaker talking about starting a business. Both Durán and González dream of creating their own cleaning business, making jobs available to other people like them — people who have struggled.

They know they have a long way to go with their English, but they see their life changing.

“Hopelink is hope for people,” Durán said.

“I feel more free,” González added. “When I need to go to an office and they don’t speak Spanish, it is not as difficult to speak. I can express myself and explain what I need or what I’m looking for ... our lives changed with these classes.”

After class one week, when the two oldest girls arrived home from school, Elideth pulled a work sheet out of her backpack to show her parents. “Excellent!” the teacher wrote on one side, and “WOW!” on the other. Elideth held it out, beaming with pride.

“There is a good reason to fight,” González said looking at her girls. “We have three daughters and we need to get ahead.”
Free and Reduced Price Lunch Program in Hopelink’s Service Area

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This month, Hopelink begins its annual campaign to support the increasing demand at our food banks during the summer when free or reduced-fee breakfast and lunch programs for children at schools are on hiatus.

End Summer Hunger is Hopelink’s grassroots campaign that gathers support of the community from local businesses, organizations, schools and individuals to help provide low-income families with food for kids who receive free and reduced-fee breakfasts and lunches during the school year. The End Summer Hunger fundraising drive runs from April through August; donations received go to offset increasing need at Hopelink’s five emergency service centers in north and east King County.

Opportunities to Help

Part of the program focus is on kids helping kids through classroom coin drives. This is a way to show that students can make a difference when their spare change is added together. By helping to provide food throughout the summer for people in their school, and in their community, students are empowered and learn the importance of philanthropy. Another essential component of the End Summer Hunger campaign is the support of businesses. Every year, local businesses help raise donations of money and food that benefits hundreds of families. To donate, simply go to www.hope-link.org and click on the DONATE NOW link.

For more detailed information about how to host a food or fund drive at a school, church, or through another community activity please contact Jennifer Dreyfus at 425.897.3710 or JDreyfuss@hope-link.org or visit our website and download our End Summer Hunger Food and Fund Drive Kit at:

www.hope-link.org/take_action/end_summer_hunger/
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