



*The Alliance of Eastside Agencies' (AEA) mission is to build healthy communities in East King County through a strong human services network by providing a strong voice for Eastside health and human services and by promoting organizational excellence among providers.*

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**2014 HUMAN SERVICES AWARD WINNERS:**

*Business of the Year: Small Threads for Kids; Elected Official: Jane Hague, KC Council; Faith Organization: Cascade Covenant Church; Not-for-Profit Staff: Karina Woodruff; Volunteer of the Year: Mabel Graham; Youth Volunteer: Alaina Blyth; Legacy Award: Sharon Anderson; Outstanding Eastside Philanthropist Award: Bill Henningsgaard; Community Impact Award: Marilyn Mason-Plunkett.*

# AEA eNews

*Our monthly member newsletter – July 2014*

## **AEA News!**

➤ **Join an AEA Committee**

AEA members are welcome to participate in the planning of its various activities. Currently the Training Committee could use your assistance. Please contact Chairs David Downing: [davidd@youtheastideservices.org](mailto:davidd@youtheastideservices.org) or Debra Grant: [debrag@hope-link.org](mailto:debrag@hope-link.org) if you are interested.

## **Featured Member Agency of the Month**

➤ **Alliance of**

## **Advocacy**

➤ **Advocate at Eastside City Councils**

North and East cities are getting ready to prepare for their 2015-2016 budgets, which include human services funding recommendations. AEA is urging its members to sign up for advocacy opportunities in front of Bellevue, Redmond, Kirkland, Sammamish, Kenmore, Issaquah, and Shoreline councils. Many of you have done so but there is room for more, particularly for some communities. [Sign up here!](#) You may find it helpful to use our advocacy [messaging template](#).

## **Member News**

➤ **Assistance League distributes books to families**

Each year Assistance League® of the Eastside participates in the USA Today Make a Difference Day and collects children's and teen books in the fall for local non-profit organizations. Last year they collected over 2000 books and donated them to the Kirkland Interfaith Transitional Housing (KITH). This year Assistance League is partnering with a local Cub Scout troop and Teen Cultural Council to help collect the books. With the additional help, the number of books they are expecting to collect this year could be well over 2000.

Assistance League of the Eastside is looking for local non-profits that serve children and families (shelters, day centers etc.) that could use the books. Please contact Jennifer Schmidt, VP of Philanthropic Programs @redmondschmidts@frontier.com if you would like to benefit from their work.

## **Community News**

➤ **Seattle/King County Free Clinic**

**What:** Seattle/King County Clinic with Remote Area Medical® is a large-scale four-day FREE clinic. Healthcare professionals from around the region volunteer at the clinic to provide quality dental, vision and medical care. Patients receive free healthcare services including dental fillings and extractions, complete eye exams, free prescription eyeglasses, mammograms, Pap smears, flu vaccine, foot care and much more.

**When:** Only Thursday October 23rd through Sunday October 26th.

**Where:** Key-Arena at the Seattle Center, 401 1st Ave. North, Seattle, WA 98109

**Volunteer Outreach:** We still need dental and vision providers as well as interpreters for the clinic. Volunteers can work one day or all four days. For more information, including instructions on how to register go to <http://seattlecenter.org/volunteers/>

**Patient Outreach:** We need your help getting the word out to individuals who are in need. Everyone is welcome, but the focus of the clinic is to provide services to those who are uninsured or underinsured, the working poor, immigrant and refugee communities, the undocumented and homeless. Detailed information will be available in August at [www.seattlecenter.org/patients](http://www.seattlecenter.org/patients).

For more information contact: Robin Pfohman, VPAT Program Manager, [robin.pfohman@kingcounty.gov](mailto:robin.pfohman@kingcounty.gov).

- ***Thanks for reading our newsletter. Watch for us next month.***  
- **AEA Board of Directors**