



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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2013 HUMAN SERVICES AWARD WINNERS:

*Business of the Year: CFO Selection; Elected Official: Amy Walen, Kirkland City Council
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Legacy Award: Mimi Siegel; Volunteer of the Year: Art Mabbott; Youth Volunteer: Eila Sturdivant*

AEA eNews

Our monthly member newsletter – September 2013

AEA News!

➤ **AEA's Fall Assembly**

Look for information about our annual meeting/training in next month's newsletter or watch for email announcements. You can always check our website too:

www.allianceofeastsideagencies.org

Featured Member Agency of the Month

➤ **LifeWire**

Formerly named Eastside Domestic Violence Program, LifeWire has been providing the community with a variety of resources, safety options, and support to over 120,000 victims of domestic violence and their children since 1982. LifeWire's mission is to end domestic violence by changing individual, institutional, and societal beliefs, attitudes and behaviors that perpetuate it. To achieve this the agency works with the community to provide services in East and North King County to people who have experienced physical, emotional, or sexual abuse; and prevent domestic violence through advocacy, education, and support. LifeWire defines domestic violence as an escalating pattern of abuse where one partner in an intimate relationship controls the other through force, intimidation, or the threat of violence. Intimate partner violence affects all ages, all sexes, all cultures, all religions, all professions, and people from all income levels.

LifeWire offers a myriad of services to victims of domestic violence. These services include a 24 hour help line, advocacy services, children and teen groups, counseling services, legal advocacy, a Latina outreach program, and support groups. The agency also offers housing services, including a hotel-motel voucher program, emergency shelter options, rental assistance, a housing stability program, and transitional housing for survivors of domestic violence who are also struggling with chemical dependency.

To learn more about LifeWire please visit www.lifewire.org, contact email@lifewire.org, or call 425-562-8840.

From our AEA Members

➤ **ELAP offering a Seminar**

Eastside Legal Assistance Program is offering an Estate Planning and Probate Seminar this fall in partnership with the King County Libraries. Presenters: Eastside attorneys, Walt Krueger and Jessica Beck.

- September 10: Basic Estate Planning - Wills, Powers of Attorney and Community Property Agreements
- September 17: Living Trusts and Tax Planning
- September 24: The Probate Process-Realizing the Benefits of all your Planning

Tues., Sept. 10, 17 & 24 at 1 p.m. Kirkland Library, 308 Kirkland Ave. 425-822-2459.

From our Partners

Eastside Human Services Forum's Candidate Forum

EHSF has invited Eastside Candidates to participate in a nonpartisan online forum. Candidates' responses to three questions regarding human services and homelessness/housing will be posted on the Forum's website by October 1 and issued to local media. www.eastsideforum.org.

Community News

➤ **Eastside Timebank's "Welcome Autumn" Potluck**

For members and all those interested in timebanking. North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th NE. For more information on Eastside Timebank, contact them at info@eastside.tbanks.org or visit their website: www.eastside.tbanks.org.

➤ **Reframing Human Services: A Two-Part Webinar Series and Call to Action**

These webinars are not "stand alone" events. They are an invitation for you to learn about the reframing initiative and join the ongoing conversation, as well as an opportunity to learn how you and your organization can benefit from the research and resources being developed.

Webinar #1: Framing 101: An Introduction to the NHSA's Reframing Human Services Initiative

When: Tuesday, September 17th, 2:00-3:00 PM

Presenters: Dr. Jarle Crocker, NHSA Program Manager and Bridget McCabe, NHSA Program Associate

This webinar will provide an overview of the concept of framing, how it can be applied to build public support for human services, and will discuss how NHSA is working with its members and other stakeholders to implement the Reframing Human Services Initiative. Who should register? The webinar is designed as an introduction to the concept of framing for staff and organizations who wish to learn more about the NHSA's initiative and will conclude with a discussion of different options for participating in the effort. [Click here to register.](#)

Webinar #2: *Mapping the Gaps between Expert and Public Understandings of Human Services*

When: Wednesday September 25th, 2:00-3:30

Presenters: Susan Nall Bales, President, Frameworks Institute and Dr. Nathaniel Kendall-Taylor, Director of Research, Frameworks Institute

This webinar will present the preliminary findings from the Frameworks Institute report, *"Handed to them on a Plate: Mapping the Gaps Between Expert and Public Understandings of Human Services."* The webinar will focus on three main elements of the report: the findings from research conducted to identify the "core story" of the human services sector, analysis of the "gaps" identified in how the general public understands the values and metaphors embedded in the story, and discussion of potential strategies to "reframe" how the sector presents itself to the public and policy makers. [Click here to register.](#)

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