



**Bill Henningsgaard Fund
for Children 2020 Giving**

Background and Mission

The Bill Henningsgaard Fund for Children was created to honor Bill's memory. Proceeds from the fund will be used to better the lives of and opportunities for children of all ages through leveraged programs in the area served by Eastside Pathways. We expect to grant \$5,000 per year.

We will focus on one area each year. Our previous five-year schedule for grants was:

- 2014: Summer and Extended Learning – awarded to the Bellevue YMCA
- 2015: School Readiness and Early Learning –awarded to CISC
- 2016: Attendance and/or Tardiness – awarded to the Community Truancy Board (Bellevue School District)
- 2017: Transitions – awarded to the Bellevue Schools Foundation
- 2018: College and Career Readiness – middle & high school and post-secondary education

2020 Grant Focus: The purpose of the Bill Henningsgaard Fund for Children Grant is to assist in bettering the lives of and creating opportunities for children of all ages through leveraged programs in Bellevue. **The focus for the grant in 2020 is Mental Health & Social Emotional Well-being among children and youth on the Eastside.** The grant will go to a partner organization that is working differently within its own organizations and collaboratively with other organizations to more effectively and efficiently address the mental health challenges and social/emotional well-being of children and youth on the Eastside.

Eligible Applicants

- Eastside Pathways partner organizations or community groups (children or families cannot apply directly).
- Grants will be awarded according to the identified focus area and to a different partner organization each year.

Grant Criteria

Projects do not have to meet all of these criteria but we will consider those that:

- Better the lives and opportunities of youth and young adults.
- Impact more than one child. We would like to leverage the funds as much as possible, for example, training staff or training high school students to mentor middle school and/or elementary school students.
- Support collective impact and help the Eastside Pathways Partnership achieve our shared goals. For example, working with other partner organization to more effectively address mental health and social/emotional well-being issues.

Process

- **Grants for 2020 will be accepted between January 6 and February 28, 2020. The grant will be awarded on March 24, 2020.**
- We ask that you submit a 1-2 page Letter of Interest (LOI) that includes the sections outlined below.
 1. Description of your organization (100-200 words)
 2. Description of your project (500-700 words)
 3. Description of your project budget, including salary-related expenditures if applicable
 4. Identification of your target project audience including youth's age, demographics, and/or other important descriptors (100-200 words)
 5. Identification of Eastside Pathways Partner organizations involved with or directly impacted by your project (100-200 words)
 6. Description of how you will measure the success of your project (100-200 words)

- Grants will be decided by a committee composed of several Eastside Pathways board members, representatives of the broader community, and experts in the field.
- We will ask for an article, video, or letter outlining how the money was spent, its impact, and any insight you have about strengths and challenges you faced. The story will be shared with the full Eastside Pathways partnership once complete.

Note: Please don't make super small margins or use small typeface to get your LOI to two pages. If it needs to be a bit longer, that's okay. We want to make it easy for you.

Please submit your LOI to Eastside Pathways at bhfund@eastsidepathways.org.