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PSE aims to help families and the environment through 'Powerful Partnerships'

Puget Sound Energy donates \$200,000 to 24 nonprofit organizations that focus on human services or the environment

BELLEVUE, Wash. (Jan. 15, 2019) – Puget Sound Energy continues its commitment to help the environment and human services organizations through its “Powerful Partnerships” program. This year, PSE selected 24 nonprofit organizations across its 6,000 square mile service area to receive \$200,000.

In addition to providing funding to the organizations, PSE will also partner with them to educate their clients, employees and donors on ways to save energy and money on their bills, as well as safety and emergency preparedness. These partnerships allow PSE to enhance community engagement and awareness by focusing its giving efforts.

“Puget Sound Energy cares about our communities and the environment, so teaming up with organizations committed to the same made sense,” said PSE Vice President of Communications Andy Wappler. “Through these partnerships, not only can we provide funds to support the organizations’ missions but also education about creating a better energy future.”

One organization that will benefit from being a partner is WSU Extension-King County, which collaborates with communities to create a culture of life-long learning and is recognized for its accessible, learner-centered, relevant, high-quality and unbiased educational programs.

“WSU Extension will be using the funds to increase our food and nutrition education and outreach to limited income audiences including refugee and immigrant communities in south and east King County,” said WSU Extension King County Director Kevin Wright.

Eastside Baby Corner (EBC) will also benefit from our partnership as they continue to work on helping families in need.

“As Eastside Baby Corner works to provide thousands of families in east King, south Snohomish, north Pierce and Kitsap counties with basic needs items, we are proud to partner with PSE,” said

Jack Edgerton, Executive Director for EBC. “As a team, EBC and PSE will help families meet their children's critical needs, strengthen families and create stronger, energy-smart communities.”

PSE has announced its commitment to reduce its carbon footprint 50 percent by 2040 and help our customers do their part. By partnering with community organizations, PSE seeks to engage more people in the mission.

Our 2019 partners include:

- [Opportunity Council-Island County Service Center](#)
- [Whidbey Audubon](#)
- [Parent Trust for Washington Children](#)
- [Woodland Park Zoo](#)
- [Kent Youth and Family Services](#)
- [WSU Extension-King County](#)
- [Vashon-Maury Senior Services](#)
- [Bainbridge Youth Services](#)
- [West Sound Wildlife Shelter](#)
- [Kittitas Fire Adapted Communities Coalition](#)
- [Youth Services](#)
- [Lewis County Senior Services](#)
- [Tacoma Urban League](#)
- [WSU Extension Master Gardner Foundation](#)
- [Earthshare Washington](#)
- [Eastside Baby Corner](#)
- [Helping Hands Food Bank](#)
- [Housing Hope](#)
- [Cocoon House](#)
- [Boys & Girls Clubs of Thurston County](#)
- [GRUB](#)
- [Kulshan Community Land Trust](#)
- [Sustainable Connections](#)
- [Skookum Kids](#)

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