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CHALLENGES THAT OUR FAMILIES FACE:

Kids not ready for kindergarten:
United Way estimates that across WA, 50% of all kindergarten age children are not ready. These disparities increase in communities of color, immigrant families and low income – who make up nearly 90% of those served at SWYFS.

High academic failure rates:
Only 68.5% of students in the Highline Public School District and 77.7% of students in the Seattle Public School District graduate within 5 years.

Pregnant and parenting teens:
Without education options: In 2010, King County Public Health reported that 25.3 teens per 1000 in the Highline Public School District became pregnant, yet had no specific services for teen parents.

Youth violence:
In 2013, 2139 youth were admitted to secure detention in King County's Juvenile Detention system.



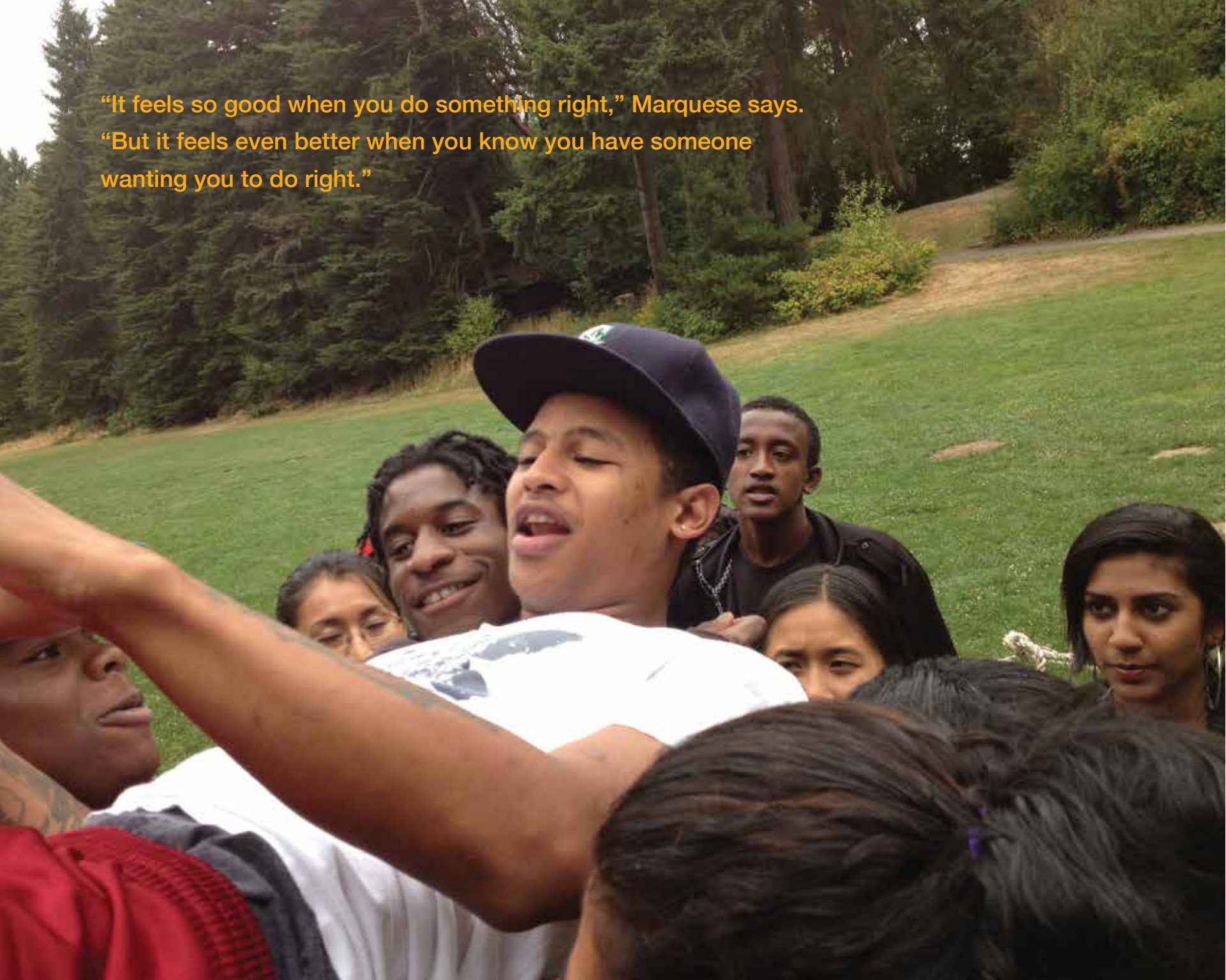
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OUR MISSION:

Southwest Youth and Family Services strengthens communities in southwest Seattle and King County so that culturally and economically diverse families, youth and children thrive and prosper. In partnership with families, schools and community organizations, we promote healthy individual and family functioning; early childhood learning; student success; and youth development.



“It feels so good when you do something right,” Marquese says.
“But it feels even better when you know you have someone
wanting you to do right.”

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MARQUESE'S STORY

In 2012, Marquese was living in the moment, unaware that his actions had consequences – his life was unstable and turbulent to say the least. He was skeptical when his grandma first suggested that he get involved with the Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative (SYVPI). He didn't want counseling. He didn't want some social worker telling him what to do. Then Marquese started talking to a case manager who had gone through his own tough times. Marquese signed up for a

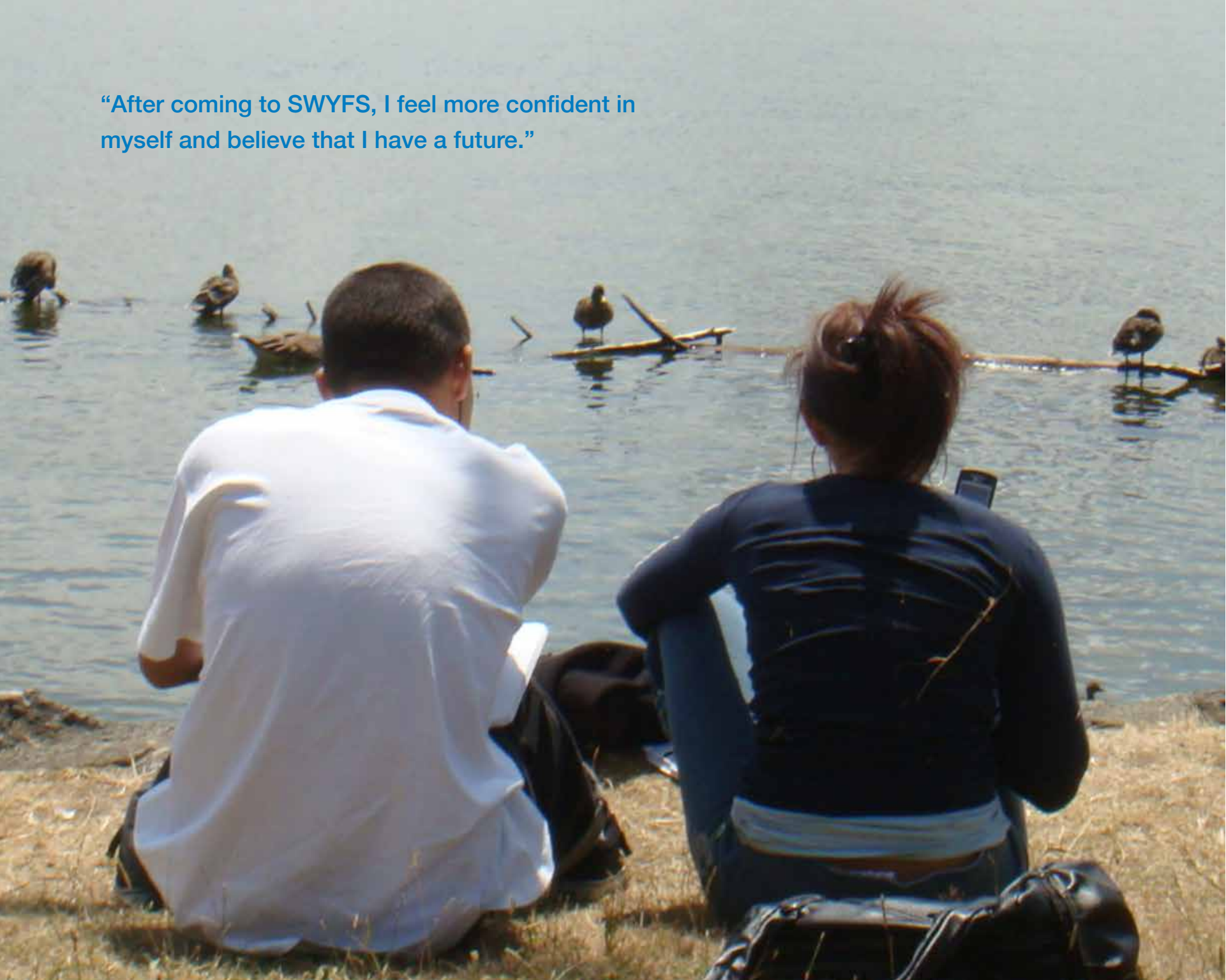
writer's workshop at SWYFS. He wrote about his dad, who had spent most of Marquese's childhood in and out of jail. He wrote about his problems with authority, how he used to be “just mad at the world.” It felt good to get it all out. It helped him realize it was time to get serious about school and start focusing on the future. Now enrolled in college with aspirations of law enforcement, Marquese doubts he could have turned things around without the steady support of his Initiative

case manager, Cleo. He remembers a saying that his grandfather taught him, “a wise man will change”, and it helps him to remember that you can always improve on what you did yesterday. Marquese has a new outlook on life and where his future will take him – he continues to thrive on making the community a better place and we are so proud of the person he has become.

TIMELINE OF SERVICES THROUGH LIFE CYCLE

	■ INFANT AND TODDLER (AGE 0-4)	■ YOUTH /CHILD (ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AGE)	■ TEEN	■ ADULT	■ FAMILY	■ COMMUNITY
MENTAL HEALTH		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Counseling ■ Art and Drama Therapy ■ Behavior Modification Programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Counseling ■ Art and Drama Therapy ■ Behavior Modification Programs ■ Violence Prevention and Agression Replacement Programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Counseling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Counseling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Counseling
EDUCATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ GED for teen mom ■ Parent Child Home Program ■ Play and learn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Afterschool programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ College and work readiness ■ HS Re-entry program ■ Writers Workshop ■ GED (16-21) and Teen Parents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ GED (16-21) ■ ESL 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ PCHP ■ ESL 	
FAMILY SUPPORT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Play and Learn ■ Culturally sensitive family ■ Childcare ■ Parenting Classes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Parenting classes ■ Culturally sensitive family advocacy 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Culturally sensitive family advocacy ■ Parenting classes ■ ESL ■ Life skills workshops 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Culturally sensitive family advocacy ■ Sewing Groups/Networking ■ ESL ■ Life skills workshops ■ Parenting classes and Parent Child Home Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Parenting classes ■ Sewing Groups/Networking ■ ESL ■ Life skills workshops ■ Immigrant integration into community and Connection to resources
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Afterschool programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Behavior Modification Programs ■ Violence Prevention and Agression Replacement Programs ■ Writers Workshop ■ GED (16-21) and Teen Parents 			

“After coming to SWYFS, I feel more confident in myself and believe that I have a future.”



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CHANGING THE FUTURE:

Family Support:

174 toddlers and their parents have a stronger parent-child relationship, increased language, literacy and cognitive skills along with the social-emotional development critical to school success. 591 families found the support they needed to thrive in a stable environment.

Youth Development:

180 children and youth facing multiple barriers found the support, skills and confidence to change their path. 74 youth significantly at-risk turned away from violence to a new path.

Mental Health:

Over 300 children, youth and families found the strength to face life's challenges.

Education:

98 students on the brink of failure returned to high school or graduated.

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WE SEE A FUTURE IN OUR COMMUNITY WHERE...

Every family has the support and resources they need to raise healthy and thriving –children.

Every child is ready for kindergarten, every third grader is reading at grade level, every eighth grader loves science and every student completes high school ready for college or a career.

Every youth is able to solve problems in peaceful ways and every person who has been emotionally harmed has the opportunity to heal.

We want to be able to do this for more people, in more cultures, in more languages and even further into southwest King County.

FINANCIAL NEEDS:

To continue our work we need to raise \$3.3 million in 2015. While approximately 65% of this budget will come from public sources, the rest must come from foundations, corporations and people – just like you.

Mental health: **\$500,000**
Youth Development: **\$750,000**
Education: **\$950,000**
Family Support: **\$1,100,000**

Total need: **\$3.3 million**

CAPITAL NEEDS:

Fire alarm system upgrade
Flooring repairs
Vans for youth transportation
Furnace repairs
Technology upgrade
More office space for growing program needs

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FUNDING PLAN:

Projected revenues:
Public sources: \$2.1 million
United Way: \$805,000
Foundations/Corporations: \$200,000
Needed from Individuals and
the Community: \$200,000

GIVING LEVEL:

Tier one: \$10K - \$20K – we need 5 donors to give \$10K or more
Tier two: \$2.5K - \$10K – we need 14 donors to give \$5K or more
Tier three: \$1K - \$2.5K – we need 40 donors to give \$2K or more

MANAGEMENT STAFF:

Steve Daschle, Executive Director
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YOUTH DEVELOPMENT:

Youth Case Management
Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative
King County Youth Violence Prevention Initiative
New Futures Middle and High School After-School Programs
Summer Young Writers Workshop

EDUCATION:

For Children:

Parent Child Home Program
New Futures Early Learning Programs
New Futures Elementary School Programs

For Youth:

High School Re-Entry Program
Teen Parent GED Program
New Futures Middle and High School Programs

For Adult:

Parenting Classes
English Language Learners (ELL) Classes
Immigrant and Refugee Sewing Group
Life Skills Workshops

FAMILY SUPPORT

Parent Child Home Program
Family Resource Center Advocacy and Support
New Futures Family Advocacy and Support
Parenting Classes and Family Education
Teen Parent Advocacy

MENTAL HEALTH:

Counseling Center
Youth Support Groups
Youth Case Management
Aggression Replacement Training (A.R.T.)
Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative
King County Youth Violence Prevention
Drama and Art Therapy
Behavior Modification Programs



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