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Compassion In Action

Dear Friends,

I want to thank each and every person who supported our annual Evening of Inspiration event! I am grateful to have connected with so many people and for all of us to have an evening dedicated to putting our compassion into action. You helped us raise over \$95,000 for our programs!

We are still amazed at how many people took the time to say, "count me in" to help those served at TR. When I reflect on what the power of compassion can bring, I remember our speaker Jeremiah Bainbridge's quote, "I have received so much help and so much love in my journey to be the person I am today." Compassion can transform lives and reshape ourselves and our communities. Compassion is not only the presence of empathy, but also the act of making change happen.

We continue to see our community step up to make change for those living with serious mental illness; this past spring, King County voters passed the Crisis Care Centers Levy, which will bring 5 new 24/7 crisis centers to the area. It will also support career paths into healthcare and to replace the dwindling number of residential beds in the county. There is another opportunity to take action by voting to approve the Housing Levy on the November 7 ballot that will provide affordable housing to people in Seattle.

We have seen what can happen when compassion reaches new heights--it makes amazing things grow! What makes TR so successful are friends and neighbors like you who want to help make something better. Because of your compassion and dedication to TR, we will continue to provide safety, stability, and hope to our clients.

We thank you again for your support, your compassion, and dedication to our mission.

"We may not have the size and resources of some larger organizations, but what we lack in scale, we more than make up for in heart, dedication, and the ability to adapt to the unique needs of those we serve."

-Darcell Slovek-Walker, CEO of Transitional Resources

Darcell Slovek-Walker
Chief Executive Officer

Community Updates

Sound Transit Update

Recently our CEO and Development Coordinator attended Sound Transit's West Seattle Link Extension Station Planning Forum at the Alki Masonic Center.

While the DEL-6 line remains the primary line, we learned a bit more about the impacts on our community and had the opportunity to give input on design and features for the various light rail stations. TR's main buildings appear to be safe thanks to the advocacy of our staff, clients, and community. However, one of our properties on Andover is currently at risk in the new design. The final proposal will be approved by the Sound Transit board sometime in spring 2024, with property acquisition beginning shortly after that time. The project--now exclusively the West Seattle Link Extension-- is scheduled to begin construction as early as 2026, but there are still several steps that must happen between then and now to determine the final effects on TR and our neighborhood.

If you are curious and want to participate further, there is still time take the survey to have your input on station accessibility and features. Take the survey here until December 20.

New Burien Facility

Our new Burien facility is soon to be up and running! When we had the opportunity to run a new facility to provide folks in that area with much needed services and supportive housing, we jumped at this amazing chance.

The new facility, named Sunnydale, will have around-theclock supportive housing and behavioral health services to help people with the highest needs in 17 fully renovated studio apartments.

We are welcoming new clients this month and are very excited to start this new chapter in Burien!











Community Updates



2023 TR Coat Drive

Monday November 6 through Monday
November 20

Transitional Resources is in major need of warm winter coats for our clients. As the temperature drops, many of the people we serve do not have coats that will stand up to the PNW's rainy and chilly weather. Your donated items will go directly to those we serve in all our programs and help to keep them warm this winter season.

You can drop off donations any day of the week from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm at 2988 SW Avalon Way, Seattle, WA 98126.

We are requesting:

- -Men's coats (especially Sizes L and XL, but all sizes needed)
- -Women's coats (Sizes S XL)

For questions about items needed, please email kristenj@transitionalresources.org





We are a proud co-sponsor of the

King County Behavioral Health Legislative Forum



King County

Monday, November 20, 2023 Seattle Center Exhibition Hall 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Free and open to the public We hope you will join us!



Thank you to our 2023 Event Sponsors!

We are incredibly grateful to our amazing sponsors this year! Their support made our event possible! At our highest level, we once again had the support of **Nucor Steel Seattle.** Their many years of consistent support to TR has made them wonderful neighbors, and we appreciate their commitment to our mission!

Thank you to our partners, MATRX Pharmacy, for their Platinum Sponsorship. Their continued dedication and compassion for our clients truly touches our hearts. Thank you to Lotus Development Partners for their Platinum Sponsorship as well this year! We are thankful for their continued support as a sponsor and their help on our Rise building. And a special thank you to a new sponsor, WEND Jewelry, for their Platinum Sponsorship this year! They have been a long-time supporter and we are thrilled to have their support as a sponsor this year! Thank you to Northwest Fire Systems for continuing their Platinum Sponsorship this year! We are grateful for their continued support for our event and for their dedication to keeping our facilities safe for our staff and clients!

We also want to thank Gold Sponsors **National Equity Fund** and **Catalysis** for their support this year.

Thank you again to the community-minded companies and organizations who help to make our work possible!

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Fall Event Recap

Evening of Inspiration 2023

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Evening of Inspiration event this year! Together we raised over \$95,000! Your gift will help us broadly support our staff, clients, and our day-to-day operations; close the gap in our budget that public funding leaves; and ensure those we serve remain housed and engaged in behavioral health treatment.

We had another incredible evening of celebrating Transitional Resources and the people who make our work possible! We had a mix of Board members, staff, long-time donors, first-time donors, and a few clients in attendance. Our theme was Count Me In: Compassion in Action.

Our CEO, Darcell Slovek-Walker, shared a few success stories from Transitional Resources' clients who are in recovery. Darcell also spoke about how TR continues to persevere in our mission no matter the challenges, touching on agency needs, staffing shortages, as well as the ongoing fentanyl crisis. On an uplifting note, she also shared that TR is expanding our footprint to Burien and opening a new facility, a Expanded Intensive Community Support and Recovery Program!

We also heard from this years' Community Citizenship Award Recipient, Impact West Seattle. Impact West Seattle is a coalition of dedicated people who donate to local organizations each quarter. Their number has grown to nearly 200 people, and they have given a generous amount to several nonprofits, many of which are located right in the heart of West Seattle. Transitional Resources has had the honor of receiving this gift twice since their inception. Their work in the community is truly incredible, and West Seattle is lucky to have such a vibrant and engaged group

Finally, we heard from our featured speaker, Jeremiah Bainbridge, the Development Manager at NAMI Seattle. We were honored to hear him share his story about living with bipolar disorder and how compassion—from both others and himself—fueled his journey. His story is not unlike many of our clients' stories: a path that isn't always a straight line, but is still one of hope and meaning.

Thanks to the dedication of our staff and community, we are continuing to provide behavioral health treatment and supportive housing to those who need it.



"This is not an easy time in which to live; that does not mean it has to be a difficult time to love."

--Brandon Sanderson

We are always looking for like-minded and compassionate community partners to help us move our mission forward.

This includes:

- Day-of service volunteer opportunities
- In-kind donations
- Sponsorship opportunities
- Board service

If you are interested in learning more about partnerships and sponsorship opportunities, contact Kristen Johnson at kristenj@transitionalresources.org or 206-883-2049

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