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Graduating with Honors

This summer, we are congratulating Emily Poletto, a resident of our New Ground Everett transitional housing, who graduated from Sequoia High School in June. In recognition of her transition from homeless teen to high school graduate, she was honored with the Superintendent Scholar Award. Following the loss of her home after her mother's death, Emily found wrap-around support at both New Ground Everett and Sequoia High School that helped her achieve success, a diploma and a job. Her inspiring story was related in a feature article in the [Everett Herald](#). Congratulations, Emily!

School Supply Drive in August



Our annual Back-To-School Supply Drive to benefit youth at our partner schools starts today! From August 1 through 16, we are collecting school supplies for students in the Issaquah, Snoqualmie and Riverview School Districts, as well as for students at our Griffin Home schools.

Having the required supplies to begin the school year can make a tremendous difference in a young person's confidence and success in school. Local residents and businesses can help kids in the community now by donating some of the supplies students need for school in September. Donated items can be dropped off Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Friends of Youth offices, and any day at our green boxes placed at several other community locations.

[Click here](#) to view our complete list of supplies and drop-off locations.

Warm Thanks for Our Capital Campaign Donors



Getting ready for winter early, volunteer knitters are sharing patterns, stitches and tips while knitting and crocheting scarfs this summer for our Warm Thanks Initiative. Our goal is to provide a hand-stitched, unique scarf to every \$1,000-or-more donor to our Capital Campaign. Join the fun and bring your own needles and hooks to our next Knitting Night on **Monday, August 19th at 5 PM** at our Youth Service Center, 13116 NE 132nd St. in Kirkland. [Find out more](#) about the Warm Thanks initiative and our Capital Campaign.

Keep In Touch with Friends of Youth

With so much happening at Friends of Youth, we have many ways for you to keep up with the latest news:

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