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Friends of Youth to Host Race to the Top Event to Support Capital Campaign

Kirkland, WA—Friends of Youth will host a “Race to the Top” Capital Campaign event on February 6 to celebrate progress while encouraging the community’s support to help finish the job. The event will take place from 7-8pm at Kirkland’s Heritage Hall, 203 Market Street.

“In 2011, Friends of Youth knew it had more to do to achieve our goal of resolving youth homelessness in our community,” said Friends of Youth President and CEO Terry Pottmeyer. “Our new facilities have made it possible for us to do a much better job of ensuring that all homeless youth have a safe shelter and the resources they need to achieve self-sufficiency. The last projects, homes for extended foster care youth and homeless young adults, will fulfill our campaign’s vision of ‘Housing Our Future.’ The time has come for us to finish the job, and we unabashedly seek the community’s support.”

The event will feature home-baked pies with wine pairings. Attendees are invited to sponsor an entire pie at \$1,000, half a pie at \$500 or a slice of pie at \$250. Friends of Youth will team up with a local winery to provide accompanying wines, and attendees will vote on the best pie of the evening. To bake or sponsor a pie, or to register to attend, visit <https://community.friendsofyouth.org/race-to-the-top-event-registration?erid=182702&trid=0793ea31-8c1a-49e7-b98d-b55cf4f6d28a>.

Friends of Youth’s Capital Campaign began in 2012 and is over 94 percent of the way to its \$7 million target. The campaign funded the construction of the Kirkland Youth Services Center, the Redmond Youth Services Center, Youth Haven and ongoing construction for transitional living homes for young adults ages 18-21. It will also fund two extended foster care homes for youth ages 18-21.

Friends of Youth delivers a comprehensive range of therapeutic services for youth, young adults and families. With over 60 years of experience, national accreditation and 20 program sites, the agency provides safe places to live and emotional support for youth and families in challenging circumstances. For more information, visit www.friendsofyouth.org.

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