"Marigold" Little Shirley Vases Benefit Capital Campaign

Friends of Youth is pleased to announce a new month-long partnership with Material Good, the Seattle-based maker of Little Shirley vases. During the month of September, 10 percent of the proceeds from the sale of Marigold Little Shirleys, ceramic vases in
an orange hue, will be devoted to Friends of Youth’s Capital Campaign. Product tags will reflect the partnership with Friends of Youth. The vases are 4 inches tall by 2.5 inches wide and are perfect for fall gift-giving. Little Shirleys are available at more than 100 locations across the country, including locally at: Nordstrom, Seattle Art Museum, Ravenna Gardens and The Space Needle. Read more.

**New Safe Place Partnership with City of Snoqualmie**

As a partner in the King County Safe Place network, Friends of Youth is pleased to welcome the City of Snoqualmie as a partner site. For the first time in King County, an entire municipal administration has been designated as part of the Safe Place network. Snoqualmie City Hall, Fire Station and Police Station, as well as all city Public Works and Parks & Recreation vehicles, will now be Safe Places for youth ages 12 to 17 to ask for help when they experience a crisis. Representatives from our Safe Place partner agencies helped us celebrate the second anniversary of the Safe Place program in King County in August while announcing the addition of Snoqualmie as a new partner to this collaborative effort to improve youth safety and prevent teen homelessness. Read more.

Even the city street sweeper displays a yellow diamond Safe Place logo and has become part of the Safe Place partnership with City of Snoqualmie. Celebrating the new partnership are, from left, Auburn Youth Resources Executive Director Jim Blanchard, Impact Manager for United Way of King County Courtney Noble, Friends of Youth Safe Place Coordinator Karina Woodruff, YouthCare Executive Director Melinda Giovengo, YouthCare Safe Place Coordinator Olivia Herring, Friends of Youth CEO Terry Pottmeyer, Auburn Youth Resources Safe Place Coordinator Claire Petersen, Snoqualmie Mayor Matt Larson, and King County Councilmember Kathy Lambert.
September 10 is World Suicide Awareness Day

In conjunction with World Suicide Awareness Day, Friends of Youth is encouraging our community members to increase their own awareness about youth suicide and to get their friends, family, neighbors and co-workers involved in the national “Everybody Has a Role In Suicide Prevention” campaign. The number of youth suicides in Washington State has increased in each of the past five years. Too few people want to talk about it, but only by increasing public awareness about the signs and symptoms of suicide, can we increase our knowledge about how to respond to a young person who exhibits those signs and symptoms. Learn more about warning signs and what you can do to help at http://www.yspp.org/about_suicide/youth_suicide_FAQ.htm. Friends of Youth counselors and therapists are equipped to respond to youth depression and suicidal behavior with school and community prevention and counseling programs. Learn more and help save a young life.

Upcoming Events

- Friends of Youth Fall Festival, Saturday, October 5, Duvall Office, 26420 NE Virginia Street, Ste 2
- Issaquah Salmon Days, October 5-6, Stop by our tent at 414 Front St. N
- Evergreen Hill Neighborhood Association Meeting, September 18, 7 PM Kirkland Youth Service Center

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

- Sign up for our e-mail list here.
- Mailing list – sign up for our quarterly newsletter
- Blog – get in-depth blog posts delivered directly to your inbox
- Facebook – find us and "like" us
- Twitter – breaking news
- LinkedIn – business news and announcements