

# LET'S CONNECT



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## Register Now For Our Bowl For Kids' Sake!

**BOWL FOR KIDS' SAKE** Start **Something™** in your company by forming a team of bowlers (no experience necessary) and joining us in early October at our 2017 Community-wide Bowl for Kids' Sake event. Bowl for Kids' Sake is a fun and easy way that you can support the life changing work of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Snohomish County.

Go online to our event website at [www.bbbs-snoco.org/2017CommunityBFKS](http://www.bbbs-snoco.org/2017CommunityBFKS), register your team and do a little fundraising. Choose either Session 1 - Saturday, October 7th from 2:00pm - 4:00pm, or Session 2 - Sunday, October 8th from 11:30am - 1:30pm or Session 3 - 2:00pm - 4:00pm to join us for a whole lot of bowling fun at Evergreen Lanes in Everett. We throw the party, providing you with food, beverages, and prizes - to show our appreciation for the great job you did to help us reach our fundraising goal.

For more information, contact Sanda Anderson, Special Events Coordinator at [sanderson@bbbs-snoco.org](mailto:sanderson@bbbs-snoco.org).

## Our Summer Picnic Means A Whole Lot More

For some Littles, the BBBS Summer Picnic is more than just a match activity, it is the only time they get to see their Big all summer. Over half (not sure if this is accurate) of Littles enrolled in Big Brothers Big Sisters of Snohomish County meet with their mentor through a site-based program such as Beyond School Walls, SPARKS, Kid's Book Club, or our school-based one-to-one match program. When school is not in session Littles and Bigs can only communicate through letters and phone calls unless they attend BBBS sponsored events, like our summer picnic or holiday skate party.



Little Brother Elliott and Big Brother Sam began their one-on-one school-based match in May 2017 and were bummed that after six weeks of getting to know each other they had to take a break until September. The summer picnic provided them with an opportunity to see each other, play games, and reconnect before the school year begins. Elliott and Sam enjoyed food, Sam met Elliott's mom for the first time, and they played on Elliott's Nintendo Switch - an activity that Elliott really wanted to share with Sam but couldn't bring to school.

## Chuck E. Cheese's Supports Big Brothers Big Sisters

Did you know that Chuck E. Cheese's provides a special offer for any Bigs and Littles, who enter any Chuck E. Cheese's store? The exclusive special value deal includes 25 tokens, one medium one-topping pizza and two drinks for only \$19.99. Contact your Case Manager to receive a value coupon that can be used at any Chuck E. Cheese's location. We also have special certificates with the same discounts that celebrate the first match meeting and 1st Year Anniversary.



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### Upcoming Events

Pre-match Trainings - Thursday, September 14th starting at 5:30pm and Saturday, October 14th at 9:30am in our offices. Please RSVP to Kay Norman at [knorman@bbbs-snoco.org](mailto:knorman@bbbs-snoco.org).

Bowl for Kids' Sake - Sunday, October 8th 11:30 - 1:30 & 2:00 - 4:00, Evergreen Lanes, Everett [www.bbbs-snoco.org/2017CommunityBFKS](http://www.bbbs-snoco.org/2017CommunityBFKS)

Suicide Prevention Training - Saturday, October 28th starting at 10:00am - 11:30am in our office. Adults only. Please RSVP to Kay at [knorman@bbbs-snoco.org](mailto:knorman@bbbs-snoco.org).



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## The New Everett YMCA is our New Home Too

We are so excited that we will be co-locating with the Everett Family YMCA at their new site, starting in 2019. The 8-acre site is located at 4730 Colby Avenue, in the Glacier View neighborhood. With plans to break ground in 2018 and open in late 2019, a home in the new Everett YMCA will mean stability and permanency for our staff and our families, and will allow us to concentrate on our important work: serving the county's most vulnerable youth.

Partnering with the YMCA will demonstrate how two non-profits can work closely and effectively together to serve and impact the community in a positive way.

Learn more about the new Everett YMCA by visiting [theneweverettymca.org](http://theneweverettymca.org).

## A Special Thank You to Our Friends

Thank you to the employees of Wyndham Worldwide for all of the school supplies that they donated to us so that we could fill over 100 backpacks - preparing our Littles for a great school year.

Thank you to Jansport for their continued support and donation of 100+ assorted backpacks for all the kids in our program.



And, thank you to our friends at the Lynnwood American Girl Doll store for their generous donation of American Girl books for the girls in our program who will love to read the wonderful stories.



K&H Integrated Print Solutions is one of our Star Supporters. For many years, they have not only been providing us with printing for all of our special events, but they also host their annual Frogstock event at the Everett AquaSox for our matches. We are truly grateful for their friendship and support of our organization.

## August Agency Updates

1 new Community Based match.

## September Anniversaries

Little Sister Lauren and Big Sister Magalie - 5 years

Little Brother Tyrell and Big Brother Myke - 5 years

Little Sister Emma and Big Sister Stephanie - 5 years

Little Sister Annalisa and Big Sister Kimberly - 1 years

Little Sister Makayla and Big Sister Jessica - 1 year