

Building Brighter Futures

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SPRING-SUMMER 2020

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PANDEMIC PREPARATION

Northwest Children's Home is proud to continue to serve and support vulnerable youth in need during these unprecedented times of COVID-19. The Administrative Team is learning more each day and continues to provide a safe environment for our employees and the youth in our care. Together, with our Nursing Department, the Clinical and Admissions teams have been orchestrating the care of youth in accordance with State and Federal guidelines. As we navigate this unique global crisis, we will continue to teach our youth how to be safe and healthy members of the community.

Stay strong, a *Brighter Future* is in sight!



Administrative Support

Executive Director: Brian Pope (208) 413-4403

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Brighter Futures
(208) 746-3388

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Northwest Children's Home is proud to announce **Brighter Futures**, an outpatient mental health clinic, serving the Lewis Clark Valley. Our own Dori Walden, LCP, will provide both **individual and family therapy for youth in surrounding areas**. Services include psychotherapy groups, crisis intervention and after school programs. Credentialed through Optum Health, Brighter Futures is able to bill most insurance providers including Idaho and Washington Medicaid. In partnership with Debbie Blazzard, Nurse Practitioner, Brighter Futures will offer medication management services for youth.

LOCAL SUPPORT

Without the support of friends of Northwest Children's Home, the youth in our care would not have the opportunities we have been able to provide to them through generous donations. One local business went above and beyond in an effort to support our organization in response to COVID-19. **Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories (SEL)** partnered with local restaurants and provided meals for both our youth and employees. But they didn't stop there. SEL donated funds to purchase educational and recreational activities for the youth in our care. They understood that while our organization was adhering to the State mandates, activities and opportunities for the youth were drastically minimized. We are incredibly thankful for this gift and can't wait to share how it helps us **Build Brighter Futures**.



Fun fact: Trauma informed care is an organizational structure and treatment framework that involves **understanding, recognizing, and responding to the effects of all types of trauma**.

Employee of the Month



Melissa LaVoy - March



Cathy Cattryse - February



Erik Loseth - January

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When our Clinical and Administrative teams come together, there is one topic always at the forefront of the conversation, "**How can we continue to motivate the youth to work towards their goals?**" The clinical teams create individualized plans for each child in our care and provide them with the opportunity to work through the five phases of our treatment model. As part of treatment, youth participate in various therapeutic groups facilitated by trained employees. Actively participating in these groups gives youth the chance to earn "points" to be used at our Northwest Children's Home Store. Items to be purchased are primarily recreational, relational or educational based. We have found that when youth have a goal in mind, they will work diligently to achieve it. Each day is an opportunity for the youth we care for to **work towards Brighter Futures!**



EVENT UPDATES

In light of the recent pandemic, Northwest Children's Home has made the very difficult decision to cancel our hosted events through the Fall. This will include the Annual Fundraiser and Golf "Fore" Kids Tournament. Our Administrative team is hopeful that later in the year community events will be possible. As things progress, we will keep the friends of Northwest Children's Home updated.

Opportunities to Give



Summertime and back to school are great opportunities to donate. Use the enclosed red envelope and start Building Brighter Futures today!



Online donation option:

<https://northwestchildrenshome.org/donate/>

Store Wish List

- Art supplies
- Posters
- Beyblades (Plastic)
- Remote control cars
- Heel wheels
- Plastic water bottles
- Colorful folders
- Colorful composition notebooks
- Headphones/ear buds
- Chapstick
- Hot wheels cars
- Inspirational quote books
- Calendars
- Beauty products
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