



## FRIENDSHIP FUND

The Friendship Fund was established more than twenty years ago to promote fellowship among WSIPC employees. The fund is an employee volunteer-run organization responsible for staging events including a summer picnic, a variety of holiday activities, and providing cards and flowers. Our monthly "Cake Day" event celebrates employee birthdays and service anniversaries.

## ADOPT-A-FAMILY

WSIPC employees make a positive impact in our community by adopting several families during the December holiday season. Families are selected through neighboring schools. Employees provide gifts of clothing, groceries, gift cards, household and other items, which are then delivered to each family prior to the holiday break.

## FOOD DRIVE

WSIPC employees maintain a food donation barrel for the Everett Food Bank. Much needed food items are collected each month and then distributed by the food bank to families in our local community. WSIPC recognizes there is an ongoing need for food, not just during the holiday season, but especially during times such as Spring and Summer breaks when children are not in school.

## UNITED WAY

WSIPC is a proud supporter of the United Way of Snohomish County. Through the dedication of our employees, the drive for 2007 led to the contribution of nearly \$8,400.00 to local community programs. Our employees seek creative and fun ways to join together and contribute to United Way such as lunch time car washes, bake sales and raffles for reserved parking.

## BLOOD DRIVE

WSIPC's quarterly blood drive began as a way to support two employees being treated for leukemia. We are very proud of the percentage of employees who choose to donate blood, which is twice the average of other Puget Sound Blood Drives! Two long term employees have coordinated this effort for many years. About seven years ago employees began providing a breakfast for those willing to donate blood and those that could support the blood drive by donating food or effort towards the breakfast.

From the Puget Sound Blood Center:

*"Thank you so very much for another very successful blood drive yesterday at WSIPC! We registered 21 donors, 18 pints of blood collected and 1 first time donor join our blood program. This was an amazing turnout! Because 1 pint can save 3 lives, your blood drive will help the lives of 54 patients in our community hospitals. Thank you both and all the others that put on the wonderful breakfast, again! This is a very special touch. We look forward to your next blood drive on December 17th. Take care and have a wonderful Thanksgiving!"*