



# Eastside Foundation

Working with our partners to build  
a stronger community together.

2024 Impact Report

# A tremendous year of change and progress.



Kevin Wallace  
Chairman

Eastside Foundation is honored to have your support, and we thank you for your generous 2024 contributions. With that support, we doubled our revenues, tripled our headcount, built a strong internal infrastructure, and established key priorities.

Importantly, we also changed our name from Eastside Community Development Fund to Eastside Foundation to better reflect our role in the community and the broader goals we are pursuing.

We made significant progress in 2024, toward achieving functional zero homelessness, making affordable housing more accessible, improving K-12 educational outcomes, and fostering increased community collaboration.

Our revenues increased by 137%, thanks in part to a capacity-building grant from a prestigious charitable organization and funding from key local corporate sponsors, individual supporters, and government partners.

The additional resources enabled us to add staff members focused on homelessness and community engagement, marketing, and financial management. We also solidified our organizational capabilities by establishing a stronger operational infrastructure. And notably, in the last six months of 2024, we greatly improved fundraising capabilities, setting us on a path for continued growth.

We are excited for even more progress in 2025, when we plan to significantly grow revenues and complete impactful projects that advance community priorities. With the passion, energy, and resources of our staff, our board, and supporters of this great organization, we are confident in achieving our goals.

# Thank you to our supporters.



David Bowling  
CEO/President

We are only able to provide the services and projects we do for the nearly half million residents of the Eastside because of your support. That support is essential, and we are grateful for the financial contributions as well as the time and effort put forth by our donors.

This year, we were especially proud to earn a capacity grant from the highly regarded **M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust**. This distinguished grant is a mark of excellence for nonprofit organizations due to the rigorous selection process that the Trust performs. In addition, we received generous donations from leading corporate sponsors including **Amazon and Verizon**, local businesses, our board members, and other public and private organizations.

We would also like to thank the numerous individuals from the business community, nonprofit service providers, and local governments, for their advice and insights throughout the year. Their counsel was critical to making a lasting impact.

Increased funding allowed us to reinvest into the community in ways that addressed critical issues and opportunities, as well as position us to advance even more projects and services in 2025.

## 2024 Financial Update

Assets \$296K

Revenue \$523K

Expenses \$249K

# New name, broader mission.



Changing our name from Eastside Community Development Fund to Eastside Foundation better represents our broader mission to build a thriving community by engaging, connecting, and mobilizing businesses, governments, nonprofits, and philanthropy. Together, we are fostering and funding development of impactful community programs in East King County.



Along with our new name, we launched a completely new website to share stories and information about working with our supporters and community partners. We encourage you to visit the new website at [eastside-foundation.org](https://eastside-foundation.org).

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## Growing the organization.

Your 2024 fundraising contributions have allowed us to add critical staff to the organization, expanding our capacity and increasing our ability to generate results.

We welcome three new members to the team including:

- Andy Levy, Vice President of Marketing
- Kayla Hodges, Director of Community Engagement
- Pat McDermott, Chief Financial Officer

# Celebrating a positive community impact.



Our focus in the community is to coordinate people, ideas, and resources to create affordable and healthy living conditions, educational and cultural development, and a positive environment for growth.

## **FUNCTIONAL ZERO HOMELESSNESS AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

### **Assessing homeless shelter systems.**

Eastside Foundation partnered with the City of Bellevue to conduct an assessment of the data tools and databases currently in use by local shelters and service providers to track client data. A comprehensive database and operating system for shelters are critical to running efficient and effective homelessness services.

As a result of the assessment we are providing recommendations to improve system integration and provider collaboration, as well as ways to establish real-time data sharing and shelter bed availability information.

### **Improving regional data sharing.**

Eastside Foundation is working with shelters, civic organizations, and technology providers to create a stronger outreach and homeless information system for the Eastside.

The intent is to build an infrastructure that moves people out of crisis and more efficiently moves them into housing and care, reducing the burden on social services systems and decreasing cost.

A 2025 pilot program for a commercial Diversion Management Information System (DMIS) is also being explored as part of this initiative.

Ultimately, we are improving the process for connecting people experiencing homelessness to the most appropriate shelter, supportive services, and housing that will increase their personal and housing stability.

## Developing best practices for Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH).

Eastside Foundation continues to work with a coalition of neighbors on a proposed PSH project in the City of Redmond to ensure that impact on the surrounding area is appropriately mitigated. Actions that are in the best interest of neighbors and residents.



We conducted a number of stakeholder interviews and engagements to support the successful design, build, and operation of the PSH project.

We toured multiple facilities, and convened discussions with businesses, residential neighbors, officials, police, and facility staff to define and share best practices. This activity represents a major step in improving housing solutions and neighborhood harmony.

## Organizing Severe Weather Shelters.

Partnering with the City of Bellevue, Eastside Foundation led an effort to identify and help procure temporary sites that can host people during severe weather events.

Great progress was made in finding multiple organizations who were willing and interested in supplying a host site. Eastside Foundation also worked with several local developers and others in the area to allocate additional space.

Eastside Foundation brings stakeholders together and streamlines development efforts and resource allocation.



## EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

### Expanding Behavioral Health Resources.

Eastside Foundation, through advocacy and collaboration with nonprofit service providers, has engaged in efforts to increase the number of behavioral health professionals in the region.

We convened meetings with multiple providers and identified the lack of programs for substance use disorder professionals (SUDP) as a barrier to hiring qualified staff to serve clients with mental health and addiction issues.

We brought that feedback to Lake Washington Institute of Technology (LWTech), where there was an ongoing effort to establish a credentialed SUDP program, and we coordinated a commitment of support from the service providers.

LWTech intends for their program to provide a stable pipeline of skilled professionals to fill the staff roles required to more effectively meet the needs of those struggling with addiction and related conditions.



### Supporting programs that increase primary school math proficiency.

Eastside Foundation has been formulating an initiative with The Math Agency, a company that provides high-intensity small group coaching to address math proficiency in primary education. In Washington State, only 1 out of 3 students in public schools meet basic math standards.

Working with the Bellevue School District, The Math Agency combines technology and passionate coaches to raise the level of performance.

Eastside Foundation's role is to identify ways to increase the number of volunteer coaches staffing the program and to mobilize funding for the schools to expand the program.

# A board championing the Eastside community.

We thank our board members, all of whom generously volunteer their time and provide financial support, for their guidance and community engagement.

This year, we welcome Hunter Arwood as a new member of the board and express our appreciation for his service as Treasurer for the organization.

We also thank former Vice Chair Azmeena Hasham, who has retired from the board, and wish her all the best in her new endeavors. And we share congratulations to Kari Magill who was elected as our new Vice Chair.

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# Let's keep building a stronger community together.

In the coming year, our priorities remain focused on improving affordable and healthy living conditions, expanding educational and cultural development, and continuing to cultivate a positive environment for growth.

In particular, some of the initiatives we will be continuing to work on include:

- Further advancing Functional Zero Homelessness initiatives
- Reinforcing increased access to affordable housing with public/private partnerships
- Facilitating integrated data management for nonprofits
- Supporting increased K-12 educational outcomes
- Funding an expanded pipeline of behavioral health professionals
- Expanding volunteer opportunities

## We need your support.

Your contribution is a high-impact social investment and a way to give back to the community.

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