



KITSAP COMMUNITY
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A Community Action Partnership. Helping people. Changing lives.

KCR South Kitsap Community Services Center

KCR Serves Kitsap County's Low-Income Families And Children

KCR is a non-profit community action agency that provides shelter to homeless families and children, job training and placement services to the unemployed, nutritional counseling and food supplementation to young families, energy assistance and home weatherization services, and early childhood education services to low-income residents of Kitsap County. We serve more than 17,000 individuals each year.

The Need

One-third of the 17,000 served live in South Kitsap and most receive services in our Port Orchard satellite office. This KCR office is currently located in a former supermarket on Bay Street. The building is old and needs repair.

We are constructing a brand new facility. The new **KCR Jackson Village South Kitsap Community Services Center** will house a...

- Women, Infants & Children (WIC) clinic
- Employment and Training programs
- Housing, Energy, and Veterans Assistance Office
- The Kitsap Adult Center for Education
- The Kitsap Health District's Visiting Nurse Program

What Has Happened So Far

KCR acquired a 2.2 acre parcel of undeveloped property with funding from the Kitsap County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. The land is near the intersection of Jackson and Lund in Port Orchard. The site is large enough for the Community Services Center and eight units of affordable housing. The housing will be constructed in the second phase of this project.

- The center is a two-story, 6900 square foot, LEED Silver Certified Green building
- The cost for the center is \$2,500,000
- Construction began in August 2011

Funding Success and A Challenge

Approximately 75% of the funding for Jackson Village has come from federal, state, and local government grants. The Medina Foundation, Ben B. Cheney Foundation, Norcliffe Foundation, Seattle Foundation, Boeing Employees Community Fund, and US Bank have also made commitments to this project.

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, through their Family Interest Program has offered KCR a challenge matching grant of \$200,000 for the South Kitsap Community Services Center project. However, the grant is conditional - **KCR must raise \$115,000 locally before receiving the \$200,000 grant.**

What Can You Do?

KCR needs your financial support - KCR friends, partners, and sponsors. Your contributions - small, large, and every size in-between - will make help us make our goal and satisfy the matching requirement. You can make an impact today in the lives of low-income families and children we serve by:

- [Clicking here](#) and making a contribution to the SK Community Services Center Project
- Organizing a matching contribution from your business or civic group
- Sharing the message of this campaign and soliciting the aid of your family, friends, and co-workers