

A Message about COVID-19
from Washington Kids in Transition



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DID YOU KNOW ...

... as of March 10, 2020 there are over **900** active students enrolled in Everett Public Schools who qualify as a "[Kid in Transition](#)" (KIT)? This means they are either unsheltered (they don't know where they will sleep tonight), doubled-up with another family because they have nowhere else to go, in a temporary shelter, living in a car, or in another unstable home situation. Some are just coming out of these situations and are transitioning to their own stable housing with hope that they can maintain the rent. Many additional families are living paycheck to paycheck and are doing their best to get by.

With COVID-19 affecting our immediate area, we expect there to be impacts to the families we serve. At this point in time, we expect the biggest most immediate impacts to be economic.

Many of our families work minimum wage in the service industry with no ability to telecommute. Many are being sent home due to slow business or having their hours cut way back. This is going to affect their ability to pay rent and utilities, and could limit access meals, in the coming weeks. Even if the virus does not spread in our schools, COVID-19 is still going to hit our families hard.

We are asking our community to consider sending a direct donation to Washington Kids in Transition via the PayPal link so that we can be prepared to meet this need and prevent families from potentially losing their shelter, heat or electricity because of this economic slowdown.

Donations can be made securely at: <https://washingtonkidsintransition.org/donate/>

Donors can specify in the message notes "EPS-KIT" if they want to specify.

Your tax-deductible donation will be used to help with purchase of food for a family, gift cards for grocery stores, diapers for babies in need, other hygiene items, rental assistance to prevent a family from losing housing, or an emergency temporary motel stay to keep a family safe while they navigate a longer term solution to finding stable housing.

We thank you for your support and generosity!

The link to donate again: <https://washingtonkidsintransition.org/donate/>

TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE—ANY AMOUNT HELPS!