

## Community Partner in Action

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[Crossroads Grocery Outlet](#) and their shoppers took part in the fifth annual [Independence From Hunger Month](#) in July. Stores and customers in six states stepped up to end hunger in their communities and helped raise nearly \$500,000 to support local food assistance agencies like Bellevue LifeSpring.

Right here in Bellevue, you provided **62 bags of food!** Thank you for your support of our community partners - and our community. Together we will achieve independence from hunger for children in Bellevue.

## Grads On Track For Success

Failing a class is one of the top indicators for dropping out of school. However, most students living in poverty can't afford tuition to retrieve credit through summer school. Those who fall behind often stay behind.

[Grads-On-Track](#) awards scholarships to high school students in need to take summer classes and stay on the path to higher education and self-sufficiency.

*"I was sick my freshman year and missed a lot of school. Once I was behind, it was hard to focus and understand the material and my grades dropped. I was overwhelmed with how hard it was to catch up. I hit rock bottom when I failed Geometry but it awoke my drive to succeed.*

*My teacher and school counselor helped me apply for Grads-On-Track. **I attended summer school my junior year and in addition to earning back the credit, my overall GPA increased.** As a result of all my hard work I graduated high school and was accepted to the University of Washington."*

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Luisa is one of **26 students** pursuing higher education through a Bellevue LifeSpring college scholarship this year. Luisa will begin at UW Bothell this fall where she hopes to major in Microbiology and go on to become a pediatrician. Congratulations, Luisa!

This summer, **176 students** received scholarships to retrieve credit and improve their grades in **302 summer courses**. Your support is helping students like Luisa to retrieve credits, graduate on time and pursue higher education, breaking the cycle of poverty.

## Uncork the Night: "A True Celebration"

**Leslie Jackson Chihuly**, Honorary Chair of [Uncork the Night](#)  
President and CEO, Chihuly Studio

"Chihuly Studio has supported this event for many years. Bellevue LifeSpring's history of work in the community is ensuring a brighter future for so many children. This event is a true celebration, combining fine wine with giving back to the community. I'm excited to join this great organization as Honorary Chair of this year's Uncork the Night."

### **[Tickets now available!](#)**

Uncork the Night \$250

Uncork the Night with Patron VIP Experience \$350

Saturday, October 8, 2016 | [Hyatt Regency Bellevue](#)

## You're Helping End Hunger in Bellevue

In our [June newsletter](#), we announced that your support had helped provide over 5,000 meals to hungry kids in Bellevue through your [Adopt-A-Box](#) donations.

In two short months, that number has increased to more than **6,000 meals** for Bellevue kids and their families through [Breaktime-Mealtime!](#)

**No child should go hungry.**

You Can Help

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