



United Way of King County

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## **United Way of King County to host an evening of dining, drinks and entertainment to strengthen our community and help those in need**

SEATTLE – Through song, story, dance and more, United Way of King County will celebrate generosity—big and small, given and received at [Eat, Drink & Be Generous](#), featuring entertainment by local artists and musicians. The event will inspire us to consider our collective potential, celebrate the strengths of our diversity and unite us in building a community with equal access to opportunity.

“Our region is full of very generous and giving people and organizations,” said new United Way of King County President and CEO Gordon McHenry, Jr. “I can’t wait to harness that energy, so together we can tackle some of our toughest challenges, like homelessness and poverty. This celebration will unite us in our common goals to strengthen our community.”

Eat, Drink & Be Generous is made possible by our corporate sponsors including Microsoft, Boeing and Nordstrom.

**Who:** United Way of King County

**What:** Eat, Drink & Be Generous

**When:** Thursday, Nov. 14, from 6 - 9 p.m.

**Where:** Seattle’s historic Paramount Theatre, 911 Pine St., Seattle

Chris Capossela, Microsoft’s chief marketing officer will speak, and Jonathan Sposato of GeekWire and PicMonkey will emcee the celebration.

The event will feature food from acclaimed chef Tom Douglas, performances by singer Whitney Mongé, songwriter and singer Daniel Pak with the Totem Star performers, “America’s Got Talent” local finalist Benicio Bryant, Washington State Poet Laureate Claudia Castro Luna, celebrity impersonator Kristie Champagne, and more.

All donations will be used to fund programs such as Home Base, which aims to prevent evictions, Bridge to Finish, which helps low-income community college students receive emergency financial services to stay in and finish college, and free tax preparation help that can put money in families hands and lead them to financial stability.

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