



United Way of King County

**** MEDIA ADVISORY ****

1,200 people experiencing homelessness expected at Century Link Events Center

United Way of King County's Community Resource Exchange will provide critical services and resources all in one place in one day on April 6th with the help of hundreds of Starbucks partners (employees)

WHO: 500 volunteers

1,200 homeless individuals and families

WHAT: United Way and Starbucks join together to help more than 1,200 people experiencing homelessness receive the services they desperately need, all in one place and on one day. Volunteers will provide support including veteran and public benefits enrollment, employment counseling and referral, temporary housing information, access to medical and dental care, legal consultation and more. Additionally, youth will have the opportunity to learn about employment opportunities and receive interview and resume preparation.

WHY: People experiencing homelessness face enormous challenges every day. Those challenges include services or needs we take for granted, like a haircut, housing, or medical care. Many of the guests attending United Way's Community Resource Exchange have full time jobs and children who attend local schools. The Community Resource Exchange provides the critical services and benefits to help people stabilize their lives as they fight to get retain their dignity and get back on their feet.

WHEN: **Wednesday, April 6, 2016 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

WHERE: Century Link Event Center – East Hall (800 Occidental Ave S.)

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