

## IMPACT REPORT Summer 2025

**Generosity from partners like you is powering the movement** to ensure our neighbors have access to housing, food security, educational opportunities, and financial stability.

While we continue to navigate federal funding cuts and prepare for reduced support from the state as they reconcile a budget deficit, there is still much to celebrate! The regular season for our Free Tax Preparation Campaign has wrapped up, and **thanks to more than 600 volunteers**, we supported more community members than last year. We also continue to work to keep families in our community fed, support community college students to keep them in school, and so much more.

Read all the highlights from the last several months and hear about our newly launched **Bridging the Wealth Gap Campaign**, an innovative approach for families traditionally denied opportunities to build generational wealth by providing home and business ownership support.

United is the Way we build an equitable future for everyone. Thanks for joining the movement.



## **BY THE NUMBERS**



Last quarter, our <u>rental assistance partners</u> distributed **\$1M** to keep **160** households in their homes.



The Indigenous Communities Fund distributed **\$1M** to **29** Native-led organizations.



ParentChild+ home visiting staff from 13 organizations meet 2X WEEKLY with families, bringing educational books, toys, and other resources for families to use and keep.



In February, we partnered with the Anti-Hunger and Nutrition Coalition to host Hunger Action Day, bringing together **200+** people to <u>advocate</u> for universal free school meals and so much more.



In winter quarter, 2,268 students at community colleges received support from their campus Benefits Hub. 308 + emergency grants were provided, averaging \$724.



The <u>Home Grocery Delivery Program</u> supports 4,000 + households. Each week, more than **75,000** pounds of food are delivered to community members—the equivalent of **6** adult orca whales!

## HAVE YOU HEARD?



We're launching something truly groundbreaking–the **Bridging the Wealth Gap Campaign**, a bold initiative unlike anything in the local philanthropic landscape. This is more than charity; it's a game-changing tool to create security for our neighbors through homeownership and business ownership. Learn more about how this innovative work and how you can get involved on our <u>website</u> or reach out to your relationship manager.



Kristi speaks at our Bridging the Wealth Gap launch event on April 29, 2025.

**Kristi Brown** is the owner and chef of COMMUNION, one of Seattle's most celebrated restaurants. But before this success, she needed a small business loan. Because she didn't own a home that could be used as collateral and the amount she was asking for was so little, banks were not interested in providing a loan. Focused on supporting neighborhood businesses, the Rainier Valley Community Fund stepped in to support Kristi with the loan she needed to grow her catering company and ultimately open COMMUNION. **This is the power of access to capital and opportunity**.

## Learn more and find ways to get involved!



