

# INN Weekly Email Update May 10, 2024

Greetings Issaquah & Sammamish Nourishing Networks,

**Next INN meeting: Online, Tuesday, May 21, 2024 3:00pm - 4:30pm. We're flipping the format so everyone will have a chance to share updates, news, asks and introductions -**

- Round Table information sharing from the group.
- Guest Speaker from [Kinderling - Families in Transition](#) & [Issaquah School District Family Partnership](#)
- Zoom link will be emailed the day before the meeting

Please visit the [INN website](#) for a more complete list of events, programs and resources, as well as an archive of [past weekly updates](#)



## FOR YOUR CALENDAR

- 1. Issaquah School District: Clothing Donation Drive May 9 - June 17, 2024** The district is partnering with the ISD PTSA to conduct a clothing drive to collect clothing for students in grades pre-K to 12. All clothing sizes are welcome. The clothing will be available for students at the [Back-to-School Resource Fair](#) to be held in August. Details about the resource fair, including tentative dates, are [available on our website](#). Drop off donations at the Swift Storage Box located in the parking lot of the ISD Administration Building 5150 220th Ave SE 98029.
- 2. IFCB: ONE-TIME DONATION DROP-OFFS: Sat. May 18, 9:30am – 12:00pm & Thurs. May 23, 1pm – 3:30pm** Rising food prices combined with growing need means we need food donations more than ever! Please check our **current needs list** to see our highest priority items - LIKE PROTEINS! We update this list regularly to reflect our largest inventory gaps on our most-requested food items. Bring your donations to our warehouse ONLY during scheduled days and times. Warehouse location: AtWork (930 7th Ave NW, Issaquah, WA 98027)
- 3. City of Issaquah: Asian American & Pacific Islander Celebration Saturday, May 18, 2024** Come to celebrate as a community Asian American & Pacific Islander cultures. We will have performances such as the Dragon Dance with fun and hands-on activities for families.
- 4. IFCB: DSHS Van at IFCB May 20!** DSHS Mobile Office processes new applications, reviews, and changes for active cases; they issue EBT cards and receive documents. Applications for the Childcare Subsidy Program will be forwarded to that unit for processing. The Mobile CSO specialists also determine eligibility for Medicare Savings Programs and Aged, Blind, or Disabled Medicaid. [Aged, Blind, or Disabled \(ABD\) Cash Assistance Program | DSHS \(wa.gov\)](#) - [Basic Food | DSHS \(wa.gov\)](#) - [Refugee Cash Assistance | DSHS \(wa.gov\)](#) - [TANF and Support Services | DSHS \(wa.gov\)](#) - [Medicare Savings Program | DSHS \(wa.gov\)](#)
- 5. NAMI Eastside: Needs & Developments in Mental health within the Asian American Community May 28, 2024 7pm** Join us to celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month as we host our friends from Asian Counseling and Referral Service (ACRS). ACRS promotes social justice and the well-being and empowerment of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and other underserved communities – including immigrants, refugees, and American-born – by developing, providing and advocating for innovative, effective and efficient community-based multilingual and multicultural services. ACRS will share information about their

services and chat with us about the biggest needs and developments in mental health in the Asian American community. [Click Here to Register](#)

**6. Issaquah School District: Free Drop-In Vaccination Clinic May 29, 2024 4pm - 8pm**

District students, incoming kindergarten students and all children ages 4-18 are invited to a free vaccine clinic in the commons at Issaquah Middle School. Vaccinations are required to attend school. This is a drop-in event, with no appointments necessary. *\*Please note that this clinic is only for children ages 4-18, not for adults.* Here are some additional details about the free clinic:

- Insurance is not required.
- Identification is not required.
- If you have your vaccine records, please bring them, but they are not required. It's safe to revaccinate.
- Parents/guardians will need to sign consent forms, which will be available at the event.
- The vaccines are available **for any children ages 4-18 (the children do not need to attend Issaquah School District)**.

**7. KCLS: Death Care for the Queer Community Tues, June 4, 2024 6:30– 7:30pm Online**

Join Beverly Tryk from the [People's Memorial Association](#) for a 60-minute conversation and Q&A regarding death care for the Queer community. This talk will touch upon the importance of deserving good and safe death care, end of life support, and proper respect and treatment after death for the queer community. *Please register*

 **RESOURCE INFORMATION AND UPDATES**

**8. Hopelink Drop-In Hours Every Tuesday on Zoom!** Join Hopelink's financial coach and local financial institutions every Tuesday from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. for an informal session to get answers to your credit, banking, and money management questions. Interpreters are available. No registration is required

**9. FREE Hopelink Bellevue Tax Prep through July 30, 2024** It's not too late to file tax returns and apply for the WA Working Families Tax Credit. Hopelink's Bellevue tax site is open Tuesdays, from 5:00 to 9:00 PM through July 30th. Flyers in Spanish and English available.

**Calendar schedule and other locations. Learn more.**

**10. BSK: New Bottle Feeding and Healthy Snack videos for child care providers and families** Seattle & King County's Child Care Health Program (CCHP) and Best Starts Child Care Health Consultation strategy partnered to create [Nutrition and Food Safety](#) videos on *Bottle Feeding Tips in Child Care Settings* and *Healthy Snacks for Preschoolers and Young Children*. We encourage child care providers and early learning programs to reference and share these videos with families to support babies and children in their care and promote healthy child development. Videos are available in English, Spanish, Cantonese and Mandarin

**11. NW Access Fund: Navigating SSI Applications: Monthly Classes** Bring your questions! Monthly classes are led by a Certified Benefits Planner and provide an overview of the SSI application process. Get tips and strategies for the application and redetermination process and leave with a clear idea of the next steps to take. These classes are recorded and shared with the people who registered. ASL interpretation is available for these classes upon request. Spoken language interpretation is not available for these classes. If you need spoken language interpretation, please [schedule a free one-on-one session](#) and request interpretation services. **Under Age 18 Applications:** Classes are held on the first Wednesday of each month.

**Over Age 18 Initial Application & Age 18 Redeterminations:** Classes are held on the second Wednesday of each month

**12. Go-Vax Kids: Mobile Vaccine Services** Go-Vax Kids is a 2023 publicly grant funded mobile vaccination clinic program to provide Covid, influenza and routine childhood immunizations to children in areas of highest need based on social vulnerability in King County. We partner with school districts and community based organizations to provide on-site pediatric vaccinations at schools, district-wide vaccine events and at community based hosted events. We are actively seeking new partnerships in areas of South Seattle, Burien, Kent, Federal Way and Auburn. If you are hosting an Event with Kids, we'd be happy to discuss offering vaccinations at your event.

### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITY

**13. ELAP Breakfast For Justice Thursday, May 23, 2024** We can't wait to see you! Our signature annual event unites lawyers, judges, elected officials, and community members who believe that everyone deserves access to legal help. Meydenbauer Center in downtown Bellevue

### FOR NONPROFITS

**14. Eastside Human Services Coalition Data Webinar May 16, 2024 3:30 - 5pm** Eastside Human Services Forum is a coalition of individuals, organizations, and community partners committed to advancing health and well-being on the Eastside. Delve into the transformative power of data with a gathering of thought leaders, data analysts, and human services professionals all united by a common goal: to harness data-driven insights for the betterment of our communities. This forum will offer valuable perspectives on how data can inform policy, improve service delivery, and foster innovation. Don't miss this opportunity to be part of the conversation

**15. Washington Poison Center: Seeking Guest Speakers Submit By May 26, 2024** We are hard at work planning the [2024 Overdose Awareness Series](#) and are seeking speakers to lead sessions that explore unintentional and intentional overdose. Session formats include presentations, workshops, panel discussions, or any other format you would like to propose. As in past years, the series will be free and held online only. This year, the series will take place every Wednesday in August: August 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th.

**16. Empower Youth Network: Counselor Camp 2024: Healing the Mind, Body and Spirit Sept 2024** Counselor Camp is an inspiring weekend conference of seminars and activities designed for professionals who work with adolescents or young adults within the broad scope of behavioral health, education, prevention and more. This event is designed to offer evidence-based theory, innovative models, and time-tested practice from a variety of professionals, and elders in our own backyards. 13 CEUs for your general conference attendance are available plus 4 Ethics CEUs for participation in the Preconference. **Are you interested in presenting? RFPs ends on June 16th!**

**17. Non-Best Starts Funding Opportunities -May and June 2024 Deadlines!** At Best Starts we are working to build long-term sustainable supports for our community so that every baby born and child raised is happy, healthy, safe and thriving. Part of building sustainable systems is recognizing we can't do it all on our own. We will always promote our Best Starts funding opportunities here on the blog and our [website](#).

Be well,  
Kim Weiss she/her