

Highline Social Service Fund Monthly Payroll Donation

The Highline Council PTSA is a non-profit organization which directly improves and impacts the lives of Highline students. Your small, monthly, payroll deduction will help to facilitate the Social Service Fund. Just imagine all the good we can do TOGETHER. **Please, complete the information below and return via inter-district mail to Payroll or US mail to the district offices Attn: Payroll**

Employee Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

Employee ID Number:

Social Security Number:

Amount to be deducted from each paycheck, once a month:

- \$2.00 \$5.00 \$10.00
 \$20.00 Other: _____

Please deduct the above amount from my paycheck and directly disperse to the Highline Council PTSA for the specific use of the Social Service Fund. I understand that this deduction will continue indefinitely until I request, in writing, that it stop.

Signature



HIGHLINE COUNCIL PTSA

Highline Council PTSA

Established in 1955

www.hcptsa.org

PO Box 66539, Burien, WA 98166

Additional information or bylaws which regulate this fund can be requested in writing at the address above.

Phone: 206-824-4880

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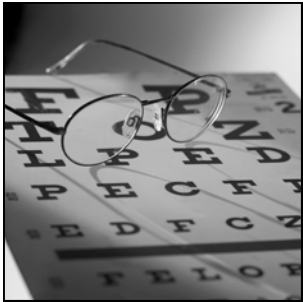
SOCIAL SERVICE FUND



Providing Emergency Service on an Emergency Basis when no alternate funds are available.

HELPING HIGHLINE STUDENTS SINCE 1955

Highline Council Fills a Need



Many families cannot afford vision care for their children.

According to the Seattle Times, "The number of uninsured children in Washington state has reached its highest level in more than 10 years" (April 27, 2004)

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this same ten year period, the Highline Public School's percentage of children who are eligible for free or reduced lunch has also grown. When these two situations collide, the children in our district are left in a crisis situation.

Many families can barely afford the basic necessities such as housing and food. Money for health care may just not be available.

Since its organization in 1955, the Highline Council has managed the Social Service Fund. With the support of local unit PTA/PTSAs and other sources of funding, this program has been maintained to meet the emergency needs of children in the Highline School District as they developed. It is the intent of the Highline Council PTSA to provide **EMERGENCY SERVICE ON AN EMERGENCY BASIS** when no other funds are available.

Sadly, the program itself is now facing an emergency. The need for this program continues to grow. We are paying for vision, hearing and mental health services for more and more students each year. The income is not keeping up with the demand. Without your support, we

will have to turn children away.

Aimee Denver, the Health Facilitator for the Highline District said, "As the nursing facilitator for the district I can speak freely for the other nurses that we find the fund an incredibly invaluable resource for trying to help with unmet health care needs of children in our district. We have been able to get dozens of children into local area eye care health professionals every year. Those children have been able to get much needed glasses when they could not otherwise have done so. In many cases it is the first time and possibly the only time those children will have an eye exam by a qualified physician. The nurses are very grateful as I am certain the other school personnel are who work with these children."

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*Aimée Denver, RN, M.Ed.
Health Facilitator
Highline School District*

As of July 2006, less than 50 district employees participate in payroll deduction to support this fund. We hope you will make a commitment to the students of your district and help us reach our goal of 100 contributors. Don't assume your coworker will do it, we are counting on YOU.

Eligibility

Those eligible for funds are students enrolled in Highline Public Schools. A student, parent or school district employee may recommend a student for referral, but final recommendation is made, following careful screening, by a principal, school nurse, counselor or an audiologist.

Vision Fund

The Highline Council has diligently worked to provide quality care to our students while prudently managing the funds. We have secured professional care through local providers at a discounted rate. Vision exams and eye glasses still average over \$100 per student serviced.

Hearing Aid Fund

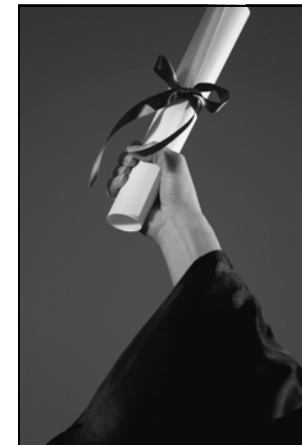
Once the audiologist has determined that a student is eligible for assistance, a meeting is set with the family. The Highline Social Service fund covers a portion of the total cost of ear molds and hearing aid repairs and works with the family on their portion.

Counseling Assistance

The Highline Social Service Fund works directly with several non-profit agencies to ensure that the child is helped. These agencies include Highline West Seattle Mental Health Center, Family and Child Services, Ruth Dykeman Center, Highline Youth and Family Services or other agencies approved by the Fund Committee. All information is kept confidential.

Senior College Scholarship Fund

Each spring, the Highline Council has the honor of awarding deserving high school seniors college scholarships. A scholarship committee of impartial volunteers is formed to determine the criteria for selecting recipients with community service being one of the criteria. In 2006, one scholarship of \$500 and two \$250 scholarships were awarded to deserving seniors. With an increase of donations, the fund could award additional or more meaningful amounts to these students.



The Social Service Fund helps Highline District graduates with the high cost of college.