



King County

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, philanthropy – the act of giving time or resources to make life better for others – has benefited countless King County residents and is part of the intrinsic value system of our region; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of philanthropic contributions have a far reaching effect on King County’s quality of life, in that contributing to the well-being of others can bring happiness and security to both the giver and receiver; and

WHEREAS, those who share their personal resources, time, and talents to bring about beneficial change report an improved sense of well-being, lower stress levels, better physical health, enhanced emotional health and an enriched sense of purpose in life; and

WHEREAS, Philanthropy Northwest was established in Seattle on November 23, 1976 as the Pacific Northwest Grantmakers Forum to “exchange information, ideas and procedures among charitable organizations, foundations, charitable trusts and charitable grant-making organizations, all to the end of benefiting and promoting charity;” and

WHEREAS, family funds, foundations, and corporate giving programs committed to King County are an integral part of Philanthropy Northwest’s regional network and vision that “Northwest communities have vibrant, healthy futures that honor our past, our people and our cultures.”

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dow Constantine, King County Executive, do hereby proclaim November 23, 2016 to be

Philanthropy Northwest Day

in King County. I urge all residents to give of their time, talents, and resources to bring about positive and lasting change in our neighborhoods and communities.



Dow Constantine
King County Executive