

UPCOMING EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Back to School Backpack Giveaway



Back to School Backpack Giveaway | Saturday, August 20, 2022 | 10:00 am to Noon

For students *Pre-K through 12th grade*. **STUDENT MUST BE PRESENT** to receive a backpack. There will be **THREE** pickup locations in our Fife/Milton/Edgewood community. **Check our website for more details of location sites; making a monetary donation or shopping our Amazon wish list!**

Questions, or to volunteer, please contact **Amanda Goetz** at 253-826-4329, or amandag@mtviewcc.org

Bound By Hope Benefit Lunch



Bound By Hope Benefit Lunch | Wednesday, October 19, 2022 | 11:30 am to 1:00 pm

On Wednesday, October 19, join other community and business leaders for our Bound by Hope Benefit Lunch. We invite you to join us for this event as a sponsor or attendee—because we believe that when we are bound together in common purpose, we create a better community for everyone to live, learn, and work in. This event is free to attend. To register or find details on sponsorship opportunities please visit our website.

Hope Moves Mountains Benefit Auction



Hope Moves Mountains Benefit Auction | 2023 to be decided

We are planning for an in-person auction in 2023. Mark your calendars for a fun and exciting evening that will help support *Successful Kids, Hopeful Families* and *Active Seniors*. **More details coming soon!**

Sponsorships Available!

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor for any of our upcoming events, we welcome the chance to promote your company. **Contact Jessie Holden at jessieh@mtviewcc.org for more information.**

YES, I want to help support the work of Mountain View Community Center!

MONTHLY gift of: \$25 \$50 \$100 \$ _____

One-time gift of: _____

Payment Method: (Checks payable to Mountain View Community Center)

Electronic Funds Transfer (MONTHLY GIVING ONLY, attach VOIDED check)

Visa MC Discover AmEx **Exp Date:** _____ **CVV:** _____

Credit Card Number _____

Signature _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

THANK YOU!

Your donation is tax deductible.
MVCC is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.

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**MOUNTAIN VIEW
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Summer Edition 2022

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**Thank you for your service,
to all of our current
and past board members!**

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Dear Friends,

Summer is always an exciting and busy time here at MVCC. We love seeing kids on campus for summer camp, donors dropping off backpacks, seniors exercising and enjoying one another's company, and volunteers packing food and making lunch. If you would like to come by for a visit, reach out! It is a great time to come for a quick tour and see our programs in action.

This spring, our board completed a new Strategic Plan for 2022-2025 and we are feeling energized about what the next three years will bring. After a robust community-needs assessment and an analysis of the state of our organization, a few important things have come up. First, was the need to focus on access, outreach, and visibility of the center and our programs. Second, prioritizing developing relationships, or building bridges with populations that we do not currently have a lot of exposure or connection to, particularly our community members that have been historically disadvantaged. Third, we made the commitment to evaluate our programming for best practices and for connection to our mission and the needs of our community. Currently, we are working with a consultant to evaluate our *Good Neighbor Program and Fund*. This began as a Covid response program to support families with basic needs and housing due to income or job loss. As we hear talk of recession and hardships coming, we are looking at what we need to do to make this a sustainable and permanent program at MVCC. You can read about the program's impact on the next page.

This year we look forward to re-launching our beloved *Seeds of Change Nights* on Thursdays. We are working on developing the original vision of the program to include not only a community dinner, but also youth programming and a variety of opportunities for individuals to grow and find support. We envision support groups, educational classes, and access to vital information and resources as well as a place to meet your neighbors and to find nourishment and connection. After a successful pilot program, we also expect our tutoring program, *Study Buddies*, to grow into a full-fledged program this school year.

Our team is growing, our reach is extending, and our impact is expanding, and we need your support more than ever! This summer we have many volunteer opportunities. Prepping for our *Annual Backpack Give-a-Way* event is in full swing, and we are collecting new backpacks and school supplies. Monthly giving remains the best way to provide consistent support for our programs. We are planning for in-person fundraising events this year. I hope you will join us to celebrate and give! You can find more information about our fundraising events on the back page.

As always, thank you for your commitment to help us develop *successful kids, hopeful families, and active seniors*. I wish you and your family a joyful and hopeful summer!

With gratitude,

Jessie Holden
Executive Director

OUR IMPACT

Successful Kids



Water balloons, popsicles, games, swimming, climbing trees, sidewalk chalk, bicycles, camping, s'mores, and exploring outside; these are just some of the many things that come to mind when thinking about kids and summertime. Worrying about having enough food is not something we want kids to have to experience, so we have partnered with the City of Edgewood and Faith Family Church in Milton to make sure no child in our community goes hungry. Each week this summer, youth (up to age 18) can pick up ready-to-eat food packs at one of the three convenient pick-up locations. Thus far, we have served over 100 kids each week. Parents have expressed their gratitude to our volunteers for the extra support and help. Please visit our "Donate" page on the MVCC website if you would like to help support our *Youth Summer Food Packs Program*. You can find a list of approved in-kind food donations as well as a link to give monetarily. To view our pick-up locations, dates, and times please visit our website.

Walking alongside and navigating individuals and families through our *Good Neighbor Program (GNP)* can be difficult but very rewarding. A few months back Tonya reached out to us for help. She was juggling a lot; attending college and working part-time all while awaiting the birth of her daughter. We helped her with rental assistance, informed her about local community resources, and were so pleased to hear an encouraging and hopeful update from her last month. *"I just wanted to say thank you so much for helping me, and for your encouraging words and resources. I was really having a tough time and I really appreciate that your organization helped me. I had my daughter. She was born early at 7 1/2 months, and stayed in the NICU for 25 days, but is home now. She is the greatest thing to ever happen to me. I got a 3.33 GPA winter quarter and just finished spring quarter. Rent is all paid up now. Thank you again!"* By supporting MVCC, you are directly supporting your neighbors like Tonya and her daughter, helping them feel cared for while helping them get back to self-sufficiency.

Hopeful Families



Active Seniors



Summer is upon us, and what better way to celebrate the first week of summer than with a special *Summer Tea Party!* At our first special tea event, hosted in collaboration with The Milton Senior Society, we hosted 40 guests. We had a wide variety of teas, savory sandwiches, sweet treats, beautiful and unique tea sets, raffle prizes and lovely hats. These special events and our weekly programming focus on encouraging one other and celebrating life! Celebrating each other (in fact, one of our seniors just celebrated her 93rd birthday in June!) Staying active, and building friendships are just some of the many gifts we get to experience in hosting Senior activities at MVCC. Visit our website and head over to the "Seniors" tab to see our monthly calendar for senior activities, on-going programs and special events!

Interested in volunteering? We are always looking for volunteers to help prepare our weekly senior lunches.

TOGETHER WE ARE BETTER

None of our work is possible without the faithful support of our donors, funders, and volunteers. Your support allows us to continue our mission despite the uncertain times we live in. We are so thankful for our generous community and all of our supporters!

CIRCLE OF HOPE SUSTAINING MEMBERS

By adding your name to this list, you tell our community that you trust and believe in the mission of MVCC. Monthly support provides consistent revenue and allows our team to continue to develop *successful kids, hopeful families, and active seniors*. For information on how to become a monthly giver please contact Kitty Coates at kittyc@mtviewcc.org.

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Volunteers are the heart of Mountain View Community Center and there are many great opportunities for all ages! *Have you created an account on MVCC's Galaxy Digital* volunteer database yet? If not, then be proactive and sign up today! It won't take more than three minutes. Once registered, you will receive updates every time we post a volunteer opportunity that suits your interests. Visit our website and click on the "Volunteer" tab to view and sign up for upcoming opportunities.



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