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Boeing Company and Aven Foundation Team Up to Support the “Winning Futures” of Young Children

Children’s Home Society of Washington to use funds for early learning pilot project in King County

Seattle – December 19, 2011 – The Boeing Company recently announced a donation of \$75,000 and the Aven Foundation, \$25,000, in support of “Winning Futures ... an Early Learning Pilot Project” to Children’s Home Society of Washington. The goal of the 3-year project is to deliver high-quality early learning services to a unique population of young children in the child welfare system living in underserved communities.

“We are grateful for the support from the Boeing Company and the Aven Foundation to be able to build on the strengths of our existing early learning programs and serve these vulnerable children,” states Sharon Osborne, CHSW President/CEO. “These funds will make a major impact in preparing children for success in school, and in life.”

Many of the children who are referred to the state’s child welfare services are ages 0 to 5, the optimum age group to receive early learning services. Many children identified as the most high-risk are placed in early learning programs, such as Head Start; however, other children in the system often do not receive similar support services that impact their early childhood development. This population will be the focus of this pilot program.

CHSW is developing the pilot model in early 2012 and will be implementing it later in the year. The sites will include both Skyway and South Seattle.

About Children’s Home Society of Washington

Children’s Home Society of Washington’s mission is to develop healthy children, create strong families, build engaged communities, and speak and advocate for children. CHSW is a statewide organization serving 39,000 children and their families each year. To learn more, visit childrenshomesociety.org.