



Welcome The Spargo House To Our Community



On Valentine's Day, we purchased The Spargo House in Gig Harbor. The purchase date seems very fitting as there is so much love in our mission. The Spargo House was named in honor of Beverly Spargo, who just passed away at age 95. Beverly was a monthly donor to our cause for the last 11 years, demonstrating her love for children experiencing foster care. The Spargo House has exciting potential as a home for future foster children.

Now, comes the important work of renovating the property for foster care readiness and maximizing that potential.

Because of the generosity of our donors, we have expanded our mission to a second house that will become a home to 4-6 foster children. The Spargo House has 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, recreation room, dining room, laundry, kitchen, nice outdoor space and a living room.

Join us for a

The Spargo House

Purchase Celebration

March 19th, 12-3 pm for a preview of the "Before" house.

The Spargo House is located at
3615 105th St NW
Gig Harbor 98332.

The Homestead Community provides Benevolent Childhood Experiences, positive experiences in which one remembers feeling comfortable, safe, and connected with others.

These are shown to help mitigate the effects of childhood adversity.

Safety & security, predictability & stability, acknowledgement and praise, connection with a caring adult, meeting basic needs, protection from harm, play and creativity are all aspects of core childhood needs that are met in foster placements at The Homestead Community.



The Homestead Community continues to address the foster care placement crisis. The number of licensed foster homes in Washington state has declined by 16.9% in the last year. With nearly 2,000 new children entering the system annually, the placement at The Homestead Community can positively change the life of a child forever. By supporting foster parent stability through subsidized housing and providing homes large enough to accommodate multiple children (allowing siblings to be housed together), we minimize the chances of multiple placements for siblings, known to increase the trauma of placement.

Make The Spargo House A Home ..For Many

By Contributing Time, Monies Or Supplies

Rub-A Dub We NEED a Few Tub & Shower Centers

With multiple foster children residing at The Spargo House, the bathrooms will be a hub of activity. The bathtubs will allow kids to laugh and splash as they play with water toys and bath paints. The showers will provide relaxing cleanliness for the older children. Daily tooth brushing, potty training and hair styling will keep the bathrooms hopping. To create the bathrooms needed, a transformation is required.

Can We Go OUTSIDE To Play? Center

Children need fresh air and room to roam. The little plastic pool in the back yard for summer splashes, a picnic on the deck, snow people building, running races and searching for bugs and birds are an important part of the childhood experience. To bring this to our foster children, we require an important investment in the back yard of The Spargo house. A new deck and fence are required.

Is It Time To EAT Yet? Center

The kitchen is the heart of the home where children's artwork hangs on the refrigerator, meals are prepared, snacks are shared and everyone gathers. With so many mouths to feed, lunches to make and bedtime snacks to prepare, the kitchen needs a real make over to prepare it for the action a foster home will require.

Can We PLEASE Watch A Movie? Center

The Entry and Living Room are the welcoming part of the home. It is the first area children will see as they enter their new living environment. This room will offer family experiences such as movie watching, snuggling by the fire, getting out the door for school and decorating the Christmas tree.

SO Many Toys and Games Center

With multiple children of various ages, the Recreation Room will house indoor toys and games. Various blanket tents and boxes that serve as boats or veterinarian clinics will be plentiful. Kids will practice gymnastics or yoga. To accommodate, the downstairs Recreation Room will need a facelift.

It is BEDTIME Now Kids! Centers

The security and predictability sanctuary of foster children is their bed, bedroom and place where their belongings are stored and dreams can be restored. They can have a respite from all the chaos they have experienced to-date in their room. Rest and relaxation are key to stress reduction and healthy sleep. Four Bedrooms require renovation.

We Have HOW Many Loads of Laundry? Center

This area of the Spargo House contains the water heater, washer and dryers, furnace, key to a well-functioning foster home. These key items need replacement.

How MANY Will Be Here For Dinner? Center

The dining room has been shown to be key for sharing the day's activities. The importance of the family meal has long been understood to impact the following: Better academic performance, Higher self-esteem, Greater sense of resilience, Lower risk of substance abuse, Lower risk of teen pregnancy, Lower risk of depression, Lower likelihood of developing eating disorders, Lower rates of obesity, Better cardiovascular health in teens, Bigger vocabulary in preschoolers and Healthier eating patterns in young adults The dining room is a key need for the Spargo House.

The Spargo House Needs Your Support

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