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Photo Danelle Coley, center, hosting Together Center's Lunch with Leaders

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Together Center receives Safeco Insurance® Make More Happen Award

Volunteerism by Kirkland's Omega Financial & Insurance Services at Together Center leads to grant.
Public voting will add to amount donated

Together Center has received a pledge of \$3,000 from Safeco Insurance as part of its "Make More Happen" Award. Safeco is celebrating the volunteerism of 33 insurance agencies nationwide with an award to each of the nonprofit organizations for whom the winning agencies volunteer.

For Omega Financial & Insurance Services in **Kirkland**, that organization is Together Center. Danelle Coley made the nomination. She serves as Secretary of the Board of Directors and is active in fundraising and outreach activities for the center. Together Center is the only Washington State nonprofit selected to receive the \$3,000 donation and to be considered for addition funds.

Additional donation amounts will be determined by public voting in the "Make More Happen" Contest. The contest features the stories and photos of how and why these insurance agents/agencies volunteer in their communities for local charities. The public is invited to cast an online vote for a favorite agency-charity team and to leave a positive message of encouragement.

To read about the award-winning agencies, or to vote and cheer in the "Make More Happen" Contest, visit: www.safeco.com/make-more-happen and search by "Together Center" or "Omega".

When the three-week contest ends May 18, the three teams with the most votes will win additional donations from Safeco for the charities: \$10,000 for first place, \$5,000 for second, and \$3,000 for third. If total votes in the online contest reach a 28,000 vote goal, Safeco will give away an additional \$500 to each of the 33 charities.

"Insurance agents are not only trusted advisors who offer guidance for protecting what matters most to people, they are also very active in their communities," said Matthew Nickerson, president, Safeco Insurance.

One of the first nonprofit centers in the nation and now celebrating 25 years of service, Together Center was designed first and foremost to lower barriers to finding help. **East King County** residents once needed to travel from Bothell to Renton or beyond to find help at individual locations now find comprehensive assistance at one location in downtown **Redmond**. Services include medical and dental care, youth shelter, child care assistance, youth and family counseling and more. Over 37,000 thousand people from throughout the region were assisted on campus last year.

Together Center is located at 16225 NE 87th in Redmond. For more information, contact (425) 869-6699 or visit www.togethercenter.org.

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