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January 2016
Here's what you'll find in this month's newsletter:
VBJ's Best in Business Award!
Featured Non-Profit Organization:
The Hough Foundation
2016 Referral Rewards Partners
Tree Decorating Party
Lunch Buddy
Thank You 2015 Referral Rewards

Thank you to all who voted for Davidson & Associates for the Vancouver Business Journal Best in Business Award!

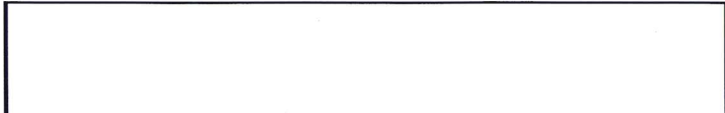


Thank You!

Thank you to the SW Washington community for honoring us with this award for the third consecutive year!



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*Partners!
Christmas
Celebrations with
Davidson &
Associates
Community Events*

Referral Rewards

For every referral you send our way, we donate \$25 to a local non-profit.

This is a great way for us to give back to our community!

For the month of **January**, donations will go to the "**The Hough Foundation.**"

The more referrals you send us, the more we give, so spread the word! The finest compliment we can receive is the referral of your friends, family, and business associates. To refer someone online, click [HERE](#)

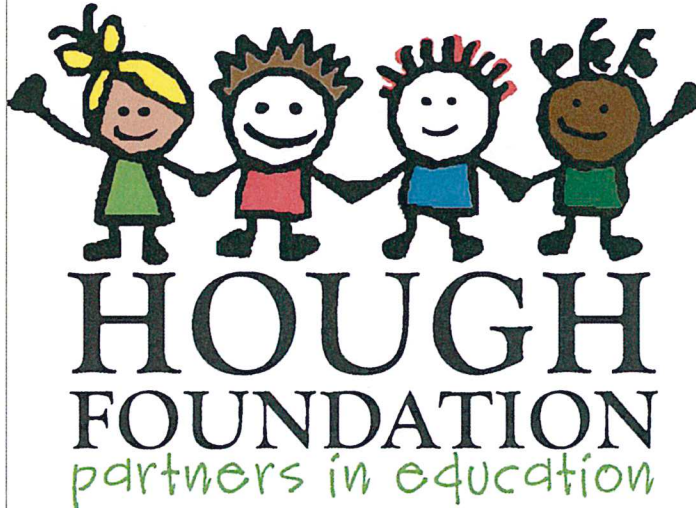
November Referrer's:

Featured Non-Profit Organization: The Hough Foundation

The Hough Foundation is our featured non-profit of the month! This non-profit provides Hough Elementary students, families, and home-schooled children with basic needs and opportunities—all of which fulfill scholastic, physical, and social growth. The early access to the tools needed for healthy communities are believed to lay the groundwork for improving the lives of the children and families involved. The Hough Foundation provides access to these necessary tools. Established in 1992 by Paul Christensen, a Vancouver businessman and former Hough student, the Hough Foundation was created with the intention of improving the Hough Neighborhood and Hough Elementary School through programs and projects. The Family Service Center is managed by a full time Director who connects with volunteers in order to assist teachers in the classrooms and on projects. The Family Service Center supports both the Lunch Buddy Program and Clothes Closet. The Hough Foundation is proud to have a strong focus on Mental Health as well. They strive to connect students and families with mental health resources in the area. They have an Intervention Room that is staffed continually as well as a school counselor on site five days a week. Lastly, the Hough Foundation values music education and the positive ways it prepares the brain for math and literacy. They have found that students involved in their Glee Choral Group and Escola de Samba (Brazilian-style drumming) have improved grades and school attendance. The value of performing in these groups boosts self-pride and esteem—creating a strong connection between the student's school and larger community. The Hough Foundation generates funds through grants, fundraisers and donations from individuals, faith communities, and

John Anderson
Dawn Bell
Brian Stone
Curtis Gerke
Leah Greenwood
Craig and Barbs
Hansson
Jean Haugh
Tracey Judah
Bri Lux
Roch Manley
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Mike and Marilyn
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Brian and Ciara
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Ronnie Tamez
Carrie and Craig
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Tracy Zenti

corporate supporters. We are proud to support an organization that supports the growth and education of the future leaders in our community!



2016 Referral Rewards Partners

Did you know that when you refer a friend, family member, or neighbor to Davidson & Associates we will donate \$25 to a local non-profit organization in your name? We call this our "Referral Rewards Program"—a fancy way of saying Thank You! We work every day to earn your trust and value your referrals. When you spread the word about Davidson & Associates we will compare insurance prices and look for potential coverage gaps to ensure those referred have the best protection at the lowest possible price. Those that you refer have no obligation to us; we simply want to help get them the best coverage possible. As a special thank you for spreading the word about Davidson & Associates Insurance, we donate \$25 to a local non-profit organization in your name. Each month we pick a different non-profit organization for our donations to go to.



Here's Heidi Vanderpan delivering the Referral Reward Check for December to Igor

**Shakhman of the
Vancouver
Symphony
Orchestra**



**Tree Decorating
Party**

On December 2nd, we invited our company partners to help us decorate our Christmas Tree. We enjoyed great conversation and delicious food—a fun way to come together to start off the Holidays! Thanks to all who came over—we enjoyed connecting with each one of you.

Below you will find a list for our 2016 Referral Rewards Program Partners. We are excited to partner with these twelve organizations that are impacting our community in positive ways.

- January: [Hough Foundation](#)
- February: [Options 360](#)
- March: [Shared Hope International](#)
- April: [FISH of Vancouver](#)
- May: [Leadership Clark County](#)
- June: [School of Piano Technology for the Blind](#)
- July: [Innovative Services NW](#)
- August: [Humane Society for Southwest Washington](#)
- September: [Community Foundation for Southwest Washington](#)
- October: [Friends of the Carpenter](#)
- November: [RockSolid](#)
- December: [Courts for Kids](#)

**Lunch Buddy Program &
Davidson Volunteers**

The Hough Foundation, our featured non-profit and January Referral Rewards Partner, provides impactful and beneficial programs for the students and families at Hough Elementary—one of which is the Lunch Buddy Program. Lunch Buddy consists of dedicated adult volunteers meeting once a week with a specific student between 1st and 5th grade. The students involved in this program are in need of a positive role model for various reasons. The adult volunteers are interviewed and paired with a student that the Hough Foundation feels would be a good fit.

Our office enjoys giving back to the community, so it comes as no surprise that Pat Spicer, Melissa Ralston, and Tony Johnson have all previously served in Lunch Buddy and Margaret Rogers and



Cassie Guthmiller
with her Lunch
Buddy, Madyson

Cassie Guthmiller are currently involved. This is Margaret Rogers' fourth year volunteering with the program and she has been with the same buddy all four years. She values the simple things with her Buddy and says that "doing crafts and laughing together is the best!" Cassie Guthmiller has been participating in the program for three years now, and has had two different buddies. When asked why she volunteers with Lunch Buddy, Cassie said "I want to help a child. If I can give 45 minutes of my time to a child and be a consistent and positive presence that they know they can rely on—that's the best feeling!" We are proud to have team members volunteering with this well-respected and valuable program!



Margaret Rogers
and her Lunch
Buddy, Bridget



Christmas Celebrations with Davidson & Associates!

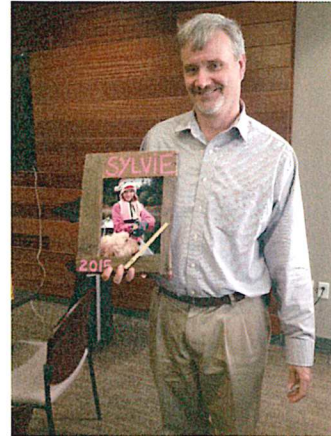
Our office enjoyed celebrating the Holiday Season! In early December we came together with our families and loved ones to spend the Saturday morning together at the Chelatchie Prairie Railroad. We bundled up and took a scenic train ride through the prairie. Our train passed fields, went over rivers, and through tunnels. The train made an exciting pit-stop where we got to pick out our Christmas trees, warm up with hot chocolate, and see Santa Claus! The train ride concluded and we headed to Mill Creek Pub for a delicious lunch together—it was a fun way to celebrate the Holidays! We continued our Holiday celebrations in the office later in December with our annual Secret Santa Gift Exchange. In early November we drew names out of a hat determining who's Secret

Thank You 2015 Referral Rewards Partners!

This year we were able to support 12 amazing organizations that make a huge difference in our community each and every day. We

are humbled and honored to integrate supporting our local non-profit organizations into our business plan. Our 2015 Referral Rewards Partners included: **The School of Piano Technology for the Blind, SELF (Support for Early Learning & Families), Shared Hope International, Columbia Springs, Parks Foundation of Clark County, Partners in Careers, The Giving Closet, Courts for Kids, Friends of the Carpenter, Leadership Clark County, Helping Men Heal** and lastly **The Vancouver Symphony Orchestra**. It has been a blessing to be able to raise awareness about these organizations they ways they are protecting the vulnerable, empowering the powerless, and building up the future leaders in our community.

Santa we would be. We then had multiple weeks to scheme the perfect present. The big reveal happened after our monthly staff meeting in December. We each opened the gift from our Secret Santa and then guessed who got them for us. Our gifts ranged from sweet and sincere to funny and creative. Our staff favorite was Scott Knight's gift from Melissa Ralston—a Chipotle gift card paired with Pepto-Bismol! Our different celebrations were a great way to celebrate the season with wonderful co-workers!



Community Events

Martin Luther King Jr. Day: A Day On, Not A Day Off

When: January 18th 9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Where: Water Resources Education Center 4600 SE Columbia Way Vancouver, WA
98661 **Cost:** Free **More Details** [Here](#)

VDA's First Friday Downtown

When: January 8th 5PM-9PM **Where:** Downtown Vancouver

Cost: Free **More Details** [Here](#)

Vancouver Symphony Orchestra Concert: Prometheus-Liszt

When: January 16, 2016 8PM **Where:** Skyview Concert Hall 1300 NW 139th Street
[Ticket Information](#)

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