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## Give the Gift of Hope this Holiday Season



This holiday season give the gift that lasts a lifetime – hope and healing. For nearly 20 years supporters of Brigid Collins Family Support Center have given children in need a chance for happiness.

When Governor Gregoire spoke about her initial state budget in November, she encouraged everyone who could to help support their families, friends and local non-profits during these difficult times.

As one family explained, “we chose to give to Brigid Collins because children are our future.”

*And from all of us at Brigid Collins, we wish you  
and your family a peaceful holiday season!*

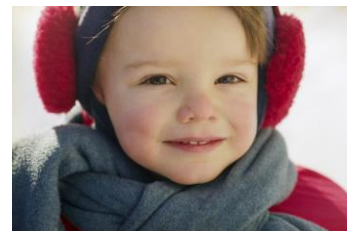
*Thank you for all of your support!*

## Fund-a-Child

Brigid Collins’ Fund-a-Child project allows individuals, families or businesses to financially support services for a child. Your contribution will save a child like Eddie\*.

Each month this past year, Eddie and his sister attended Brigid Collins’ Family Activity Night with their parents. Despite the struggles their family dealt with this past year, they found support and friendships through this program.

A donation of \$20 provides a meal and enriching activities for an entire family. Consider becoming a monthly donor for a child like Eddie now.



## DONATE HERE

*\*names and pictures have been changed to protect confidentiality*

## News on IRA Rollovers and Gifts of Stock

If you are planning to make a charitable gift before the end of the year and are over the age of 70, did you know you can make distributions directly from

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your IRA to Brigid Collins Family Support Center without the distributions being included in taxable income or subject to withholding?

You can also give the gift of stock and support children in Whatcom and Skagit County, or consider writing Brigid Collins into your will. If you would like to find out more, contact Byron Manering at [bmanering@brigidcollins.org](mailto:bmanering@brigidcollins.org) or call 360.734-4616.

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## Annual Report Highlights 2009 Donor Accomplishments

Brigid Collins' would like to express its' gratitude to all of the people who have donated their time, energy and money to support children in Whatcom County.

You have changed lives and made our community a better place. Brigid Collins' [annual report](#) highlights some of your accomplishments, including updates on the Building Capital Campaign, the new Skagit location and stories from several families.

The report is available in PDF form on at [www.brigidcollins.org](http://www.brigidcollins.org). You may also request a printed copy at [contact@brigidcollins.org](mailto:contact@brigidcollins.org) or call us at 360.734.4616.



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