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**SOUTH SOUND PHILANTHROPY SUMMIT PRESENTS "DO GOOD SOUTH SOUND" IN 2024**

The 12th Annual South Sound Philanthropy Summit, co-presented by the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) South Sound Chapter and the South Sound Planned Giving Council (SSPCG), is a unique opportunity for genuine connection and networking across all sectors of Philanthropy. The Summit will be held on **Friday, September 27**, at the UW Tacoma, William Phillips Hall (1918 Pacific Ave Tacoma, WA 98402), and will be in-person only, and lunch is included. Early registration is highly recommended as spaces are limited and expected to fill quickly. The Summit is targeted toward nonprofit professionals, financial advisors and attorneys with continuing credits for each profession.

The theme for this year's Summit, "Do Good South Sound," is more than just a title. It's a call to action, an inspiration, and a reminder that we are all working towards a shared vision of a brighter future for the South Sound. Yet, we can only genuinely accomplish lasting system change by working together and sharing new and innovative ideas.

The day will start with a Land Acknowledgement 101 led by Samantha Biasca, Director of Development, BlueBridge Alliance, and will include international keynote speaker Trista Harris, a philanthropic futurist. There will also be many opportunities for networking and small group learning with workshops, and table discussions. We invite you to visit [www.ssphilanthropysummit.org](http://www.ssphilanthropysummit.org) for up-to-date information and session descriptions. Following the Summit, a Happy Hour will be offered at 7 Seas Brewery (2101 Jefferson Ave, Tacoma, WA 98402), allowing individuals to keep the conversation going with established friends and new connections.

PANEL DISCUSSION: ***Highlighting Folks "Doing Good" in the South Sound.*** This panel will delve into a lively discussion facilitated by Emily Mendez-Bryant, Director of Development, Tacoma Community College, on how countless people are doing good in the South Sound. Some are part of large organizations, and some are bootstrapping their good idea one day at a time. Join us to learn from individuals in the nonprofit sector and beyond. Our regional rockstars and helpers panel will inspire you with ideas to #dogoodsouthsound.

Panelists:

**Angela Jossey, CEO, Weekly Volcano Newspaper**

**Colleen Carmichael, Executive Director, New Horizon Communities**

**Desireé Wilkins Finch, Founder and CEO, Tacoma Black Fund**

**Kwabi Amoah-Forson, Humanitarian, The Peace Bus**

**Michelle McLean, Co-Founder, Peace Out**

**Savannah Smith, Co-Founder/Director of Programs, Sea Potential**

KEYNOTE: ***The Future of Philanthropy with* Trista Harris, president of FutureGood**. Trista is a leading expert in strategic foresight with a wealth of experience, including leadership positions at the Minnesota Council on Foundations and the Headwaters Foundation for Justice. Trista is also a certified strategic foresight professional and holds a Master of Public Policy degree from the University of Minnesota, further emphasizing her expertise in the field. As the author of "FutureGood," she offers valuable insights on how using futurism to create transformative change and address critical community challenges can allow our sector to predict the future and prepare for the trends and coming realities that will impact our work.

WORKSHOP SESSIONS: The below-listed workshops will be offered concurrently by local leaders who already "Do Good" and will be followed by various table breakout discussions for all in attendance.

* ***Spheres of Influence & Impact in Philanthropy****, Dien Yuen, CEO of Daylight Advisors*
* **The Case for Professional Advisors in Planned Giving**,Rick Oldenberg of Oldenberg & Associates and Beverly Cox of B. Cox Planning
* **Fundraising 101**, Jesse Bohlin of RVC and Emily Happy of The Philanthropy Collective
* **Charitable Remainder Trusts: An Old Tool In A New Tax Time**, James McBain, SVP — Regional Director of Wealth Planning and Trust Advisory, US Bank Private Wealth Management

Is this conference for you? The South Sound Philanthropy Summit, the largest nonprofit Summit outside of Seattle, is a unique opportunity to bring together over 200 allied professionals in philanthropy. It is the only Summit that spans both the nonprofit sector and the planned giving community, making it a one-of-a-kind event for the region. Back for the first time since 2019, attendees will have the opportunity to personalize their experience and engage in a range of workshop and table breakout sessions covering pertinent topics in fundraising, how to talk to donors about their philanthropy, local solutions to systemic issues, and more! 4 CRFE credits are confirmed. CLE and CPE credits are pending.

Co-Presented by: The top two premier South Sound professional associations, [South Sound Planned Giving Council](https://sspgcouncil.org/) and the [Association of Fundraising Professionals – South Sound Chapter](https://community.afpnet.org/afpwasouthsoundchapter/home).

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Don't miss the chance to learn, connect, and be inspired. Save your seat today and be a part of the conversation that shapes the future of philanthropy in the South Sound and beyond. For more information or to register, please visit: [www.ssphilanthropysummit.org](http://www.ssphilanthropysummit.org).

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