

# *Kids at Hope University and the Lakewood Branch of the Boys & Girls Clubs SPS*

PRESENTS

## **THE BUILDING OF A HOPE SQUARE COMMUNITY!**

**(Inspiring & Empowering a Hope Square Community)**



The goal of Kids at Hope is to translate theory and research into powerful principles and practices offered within a **cultural framework** rather than a program designed to support a child's development.

Hope Square is all about partnerships and collaborations. Hope Square is based on the understanding that youth are the product of their total family and community experiences, not just one program or organization. Connecting the services and experiences that support a young person's development with a set of shared evidence-based principles and practices, increases the expectation and result that all youth will succeed, without exception.

The objective of Hope Square is to ensure that all youth receive research based protective factors in order to improve their sense of self, resiliency and personal empowerment. We believe the greatest at risk factors lie not just in family dynamics, social conditions, or community poverty of services, but in our personal beliefs about young people, our relationships with them, and the ability to help them sense and prepare for a future in which they can succeed.



### **YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AND PROVIDE INPUT**

**(OUR THANKS TO THE GARY E. MILGARD FAMILY FOUNDATION)**

**2 1/2 hour introductory session** – This empowerment seminar and discussion is an exciting experience exploring the research on hope, optimism and success and how it can be instilled in all educators and youth development professionals and delivered to the children we work with, no exceptions! We will examine a cultural strategic framework and how an entire campus/organization/community can support the success of every person. Practical application of evidence based protocols in support of a youth's success will also be discussed and operationalized. We hope to answer the simple question "Why do some youth succeed and others fail?"



Welcoming remarks from:

**Larry Saunders**, Chairperson, Boys & Girls Clubs of South Puget Sound  
and former Police Chief, City of Lakewood

Facilitated by **Wally Endicott** of Kids at Hope and others

**Tuesday October 8, 2013 - Food Served Beginning at 5:30 PM**  
**Empowerment Seminar from 6:00 to 8 PM**  
**Gary & Carol Milgard Family Hope Center**  
**10402 Kline Street SW, Lakewood, WA 98499**

Please confirm your participation by e-mailing Wally Endicott at [wally@kidsathope.org](mailto:wally@kidsathope.org) or phone him at (253) 531-4659 – Thank you for your consideration