



FIRST HILL

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FHIA is Collecting Clothing and Food for Donation

Thank you to everyone who has already generously donated to our neighbors in need! The First Hill Improvement Association is still collecting new and lightly used clothing items for donation to various local social service providers. The most needed items are:

- hats
- gloves
- winter coats
- blankets
- knitted hats
- shampoo/conditioner

The most needed food items for the food pantry which serves the children and families through Bailey Gatzert Elementary are:

- 1-2 lbs. bags of rice
- small jars of jelly

- canned green beans
- canned corn
- paper towels/napkins

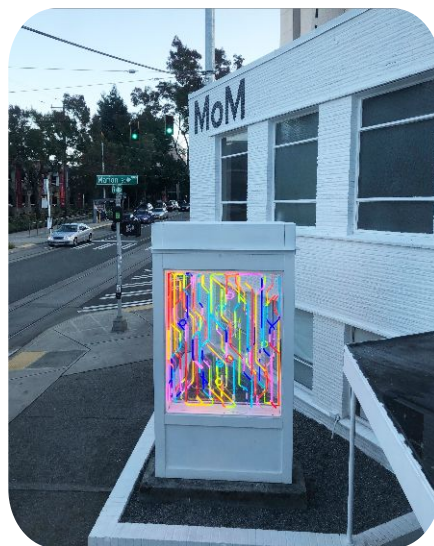
Trinity Parish Church is also seeking monetary donations to support their Thanksgiving Dinner Basket campaign, which [you can donate to here](#).

If you have items or food you would like to donate, please contact doug@firsthill.org and we can coordinate and time and place to pick-up the items.



Check Out the Frye Art Museum's Online Store

Earlier this month, the Frye Art Museum opened to the public. A spike in COVID-19 has now forced the Frye to close again. If you're looking to support the Frye, [check out their store that features items from local artists and designers](#). All sales support the Museum.



Round 4 of the Small Business Stabilization Fund is Now Live

The City of Seattle's Office of Economic Development (OED) has \$2.37 million available funds to provide \$10,000 in grants to small businesses who:

- Are located in Seattle City Limits
- Have up to 25 full-time employees
- Have a net revenue up to \$2 Million
- Have an active Seattle Business License
- Have no more than 2 locations
- Have been in business for at least a year

Businesses who have 5 or less full-time employees will be prioritized and 10% of the grant funds will be set aside for businesses in creative industries. The deadline to apply is Monday, November 30th. You can [apply for the grant here](#) and you can [learn more specifics here](#). You can contact Doug at doug@firsthill.org for help filling out the application, or you can contact OED directly at oed@seattle.gov.



Think First Hill First!

Despite the uncertainty surrounding the COVID-19 outbreak, many of our neighborhood businesses remain open, with some operating at reduced schedules. Indoor dining is currently not allowed, but take-out is. In previous community newsletters, we have provided a list. Our website now provides a list that is updated weekly with the latest information about open businesses in the neighborhood. You can find that list on our website [here](#).



First Hill Scavenger Hunt – Round 17

The rules are quite simple. The next time you go outside for a walk, keep your eyes peeled for painted rocks in the neighborhood. When you find a painted rock, pick it up and take it with you. Each painted rock has a number associated with it. Then, email doug@firsthill.org and include the rock number in the email and we can coordinate how to get your prize to you.

The prizes are gift cards to various local, neighborhood businesses impacted by the pandemic. The prizes are guaranteed to be worth your time, so tell all your friends and neighbors! We've already had 38 winners so far, but there are plenty more out there to find! New painted rocks will be hidden every week.

The First Hill Improvement Association would like to thank our partners at the [Office of Economic Development's Only in Seattle Grant](#) for helping make this possible.

The First Hill Scavenger Hunt will end when the prizes run out. Get to it!



Support Our Work

First Hill Improvement Association (FHIA) is committed to working alongside residents, businesses, organizations, and institutions to address the needs and concerns of the community. Over the years FHIA has been dedicated to addressing issues of housing affordability, high-rise development, construction impacts, insufficient public space, accessibility, homelessness, and a growing residential population.

FHIA is dedicated to serving the First Hill neighborhood and we need your support now, more than ever, to continue this work. Please [join FHIA today!](#)



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