## You're Invited!

## **WHAT: A Community Conversation**

Do you have ideas about services & programs for *children and youth* or for *people living with mental illness and substance use disorders?* 

We want to hear from you!

King County and North Urban Human Services Alliance invite you to this gathering designed so <u>you</u> have a meaningful role in informing the County's decisions around its investments for prevention and early intervention for children and youth <u>and</u> investments for mental health and substance use disorder services and programs.



Daniel De La Cruz, Artist

WHEN: Wednesday, October 28nd, 6:30-9:00 PM

WHERE: Shoreline Conference Center 18560 1st Ave NE, Shoreline, WA 98155 http://www.shorelinecenter.com

Refreshments Provided!

**WHO:** Parents, providers, families, youth, school teachers and staff, — everyone who cares about children and youth or mental health and substance use disorders services or both – we want to hear from you!



Are you in interested in being part of the discussion but cannot make it to the community meeting on October 28th? There will be future community meetings! Please send an email to <a href="MIDD@kingcounty.gov">MIDD@kingcounty.gov</a>!



- ◆ King County's Mental Illness and Drug Dependency (MIDD) is a one-tenth of one percent sales tax supporting programs and services for people living with mental illness and substance use disorders. It expires at the end of 2016 unless renewed by the County Council. Your feedback is needed to help the County plan for updated MIDD-supported services and programs should it be renewed in 2016.
- ◆ The Youth Action Plan, adopted by the King County Council on June 15, 2015, will set King County's priorities for serving infants through young adults and will guide and inform the County's current annual investment of more than \$75 million in services and programs serving infants through young adults. The Youth Action Plan calls on the County to effectively engage communities across the region on an ongoing basis.
- ◆ The County believes effective engagement enables all communities to participate in a way that fosters trust, creates more effective services, programs and policies, and supports community-led solutions. In response to community feedback, we are coordinating our engagement efforts information gathered at these Community Conversations will inform several County initiatives, including the MIDD, Youth Action Plan and should the levy pass, Best Starts for Kids.