



Tulalip Charitable Contributions Funds Distribution Report

NAME OF AGENCY: Associated Recreation Council

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GENERAL GOALS: The Associated Recreation Council (ARC), in partnership with Seattle Parks and Recreation, serves Seattle by offering a variety of recreational and lifelong learning programs, classes and activities.

SPECIFIC USE FOR THIS AWARD:

The grant has been applied towards swim lessons scholarships for children of low-income families throughout the city of Seattle. This amount provided scholarships for ten basic swim and water safety lessons for 178 youth aged 5-12.

For more information, please see the attached report from Associated Recreation Council.



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Marilyn Sheldon
Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund
8802 27th Avenue NE
Tulalip, WA 98271

Dear Marilyn and colleagues,

Thank you for supporting the Associated Recreation Council and our Learn to Swim Scholarship Fund in 2015.

The [REDACTED] grant has been applied towards swim lessons scholarships for children of low-income families throughout the city of Seattle. **This amount provided scholarships for ten basic swim and water safety lessons for 178 youth aged 5-12.**

Here's why that's important. The scholarships provide relief for very poor families who could not otherwise afford swim lessons for their children. Under City ordinance, families meeting federal low-income guidelines receive an automatic 50% discount on swim lessons. Learn to Swim Scholarships are open to families who are well below even the federal low-income guidelines and result in up to a 90% reduction in fees for qualifying families. Simply put, the kids who receive these scholarships would not have access to swim lessons without them.



But it's more than just economics. We know that the fatal unintentional drowning rate for African Americans is significantly higher than that of whites across all ages. The disparity is widest among children aged 5-14, where the fatal drowning rate is almost three times that of white children in the same age range. In Seattle, the risk to Vietnamese-Americans is even worse.

We are looking to change all that, one child at a time. Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund's generosity in this instance – in facilitating qualified swim instruction in a safe and fun environment – has done just that, times 178!

Thanks Again,



Joseph DiChiaro III

Development Director, Associated Recreation Council

p.s. These are actual photos of Learn to Swim lessons at the Rainier Beach pool!