# **Funds Distribution Report**

## Recipient Organization: Brigadoon Service Dogs

**Address:** 4759 Mission Rd Bellingham, WA 98226

Contact: (360) 733-5388 https://www.brigadoondogs.org

### **Organization's General Goals:**

Brigadoon Service Dogs provide service dogs for veterans, children and adults with physical, developmental, and behavioral health disabilities, to promote a more independent and enriched life. We change lives one partnership at a time by "offering a helping paw"!

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Date of Award: 2019 Q4 Level: \$2,501 to \$5,000

**Specific Use for This Award:** For more information, please read the attached report from Brigadoon Service Dogs.



8802 27th Ave NE Tulalip, WA 98271

# TulalipCares.org

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# TULALIP TRIBES CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS Q4 2019 14.2 Funding Request Report

As we shared with you in our application, there is a tremendous demand for service dogs that has resulted in a two to three year wait list. Working with Brigadoon Prison Program inmates who help train our dogs during the intermediate training phase reduces the overall cost of service dog training significantly but the program still takes additional donations to run successfully. In fall 2019, we requested from *Tulalip Tribe Charitable Fund* to support that critical second year of dog training for one of our dogs needed by one of our clients. We were granted and received from Tulalip in March 2020. I just want to give you an update on the progress of one of the dogs that you helped to support. His name is Sir.



Your donation helped with general operational support for costs incurred during Sir's training that included dog food, veterinary bills, travel and staff time required to educate inmates, dog training, trainer education and administration of the program.

This summer, we received additional grant funding from the *Wounded Warrior Service Dog Program* that paid for additional costs and a veteran to be matched with Sir. His name is Jon Ferguson, a Navy veteran. Jon works in Employment Security and he is one of the employees who helps inmates who are released from prison to find work. Jon learned about Brigadoon when one of our veteran inmates who worked in Brigadoon's *Prison Program* was released and went to Jon seeking help in finding work. This inmate shared Brigadoon's story and Jon then reached out to us. Thanks to your generosity and support, in October, Jon and Sir were matched. Jon came to Brigadoon's campus to train with Sir, learning all the cues that Sir has learned over the two year period of training. Jon now brings Sir to work with him every day and Sir meets all those who Jon serves. It's a great partnership. Brigadoon will continue to be there for Jon and Sir as a resource and support for the entire life of their partnership.

In recognition of your gift, we added your logo on our website, in our newsletter and in an email campaign sent to supporters via MailChimp. Each year, we have an annual fundraising Gala. This year we took our event online for five days, ending Saturday, September 12, 2020. We included *Tulalip Tribe* as one of the leading sponsors for that event and shared your logo and business name in our program video, on our auction website and strategically placed in-between auction items. For our winter newsletter, we are also doing a special article thanking all the support received from businesses. Jon's story will be part of that article so we will highlight support from the *Tulalip Tribes* and the *Wounded Warrior Service Dog Program* matching donations that supported Jon's need for a service dog. We will also announce your gift in our annual report and we are sending out press releases to Pacific NW news outlets in an effort to capture this story.

Thank you again for your support. You made a BIG difference in Jon's (and Sir's) life.

Denise CoStanten Executive Director Julia Clifford Development Director

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#### **BRIGADOON SERVICE DOGS – RAISING SIR**



Sir on outing with Trainer Dan (Left) & Emma (Below Left)





Sir getting ready for the Auction! (Below R)

