

Tulalip Charitable Contributions Funds Distribution Report

NAME OF AGENCY:	USCCB/Catholic Housing Services
ADDRESS:	100 - 23rd Avenue South, Seattle, WA 98144
CONTACT:	(206) 323-6336; www.ccsww.org
GENERAL GOALS:	To provide safe, affordable housing for vulnerable member of the community.

SPECIFIC USE FOR THIS AWARD:

To purchase new furniture for the Dorothy Day housing project, a permanent housing development for homeless women.

The new furniture in the lobby and resident lounge offers a warm and welcoming environment for both residents and visitors to the building. Providing a sense of welcoming and community is very much in alignment with the mission of Catholic Housing Services, and the new furniture supports that aspect of our work and interactions with others.



For more information regarding the specific uses of the award, see the following pages from USCCB/Catholic Housing Services.



May 8, 2015

Ms. Marilyn Sheldon, Director Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions Quil Ceda Village 8802 27th Avenue NE Tulalip, WA 98271-9694

RE: Q2 2014 14.2 – Dorothy Day House – Catholic Housing Services Grant

Dear Ms. Sheldon,

As requested in the award letter, here is our report on how we utilized the grant funds and the impact the funds had on the residents at the Dorothy Day House (DDH). The generous grant from the Tulalip Tribes allowed for the purchase and installation of the following items:

- 38 Metal Black Bed Frames (they're adjustable in height)
- 6 Turquoise Armless Chairs (located in lobby for visitors)
- 17 Mulberry Armless Chairs (located in basement for lounging).

An important aspect of the Catholic Housing Services Mission is to provide safe, affordable housing for some of the most vulnerable members of our community. As many of the women who live at Dorothy Day House experienced chronic long-term homelessness prior to moving in to DDH, their unit at DDH is the first place they have been able to "call home" in a while. The old bed wooden bed frames needed replacement, as they were "a magnet for bed bug infestation." Additionally, the previous lobby and resident lounge furniture was wearing out, and nearing the end of its life.

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The 38 women living at DDH are very appreciative of the new furniture!! They have shared the following thoughts with the staff at DDH:

- I like that I can put the bed frame up really high so that I have a lot of storage
- The beds are really sturdy
- The bed frame is more modern and I like that I do not need to worry about bed bugs
- The bed frames are really long (Longer than the mattress) which gives us a lot of storage, it's like a night stand attached to the bed
- The chairs are easy to move, they're not heavy at all and that helps with my back if I need to move them around
- We don't have to worry about having to replace the chairs all the time because if we spill something on it, we can just wipe it up.

Our programs address a wide range of concerns, helping to break the cycle of homelessness and poverty within our communities. Our mission, to care for the poorest and most vulnerable populations in Western Washington, depend on the compassion and thoughtful giving of committed supporters like you, to help provide this vital support.

Thank you again for your generosity and the trust Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions places in us to be good stewards of your investment.

With sincere thanks,

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