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Organization's General Goals:

Child Care Resources supports families across Washington State and works with child care providers to improve all children's access to high quality early learning experiences, so that they grow up prepared for school and for life.

Date of Award:	Level:
2012 Q2	\$2,501 to \$5,000

Specific Use for This Award:

For more information, please read the attached report from Child Care Resources.

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Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund
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Re: Q2 – 2012 -14.2

Dear Ms. Sheldon:

Child Care Resources (CCR) greatly appreciates the ~~finding~~ award from the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund for our Homeless Child Care Program received in September of 2012. I want to report our accomplishments through third quarter of this year which were supported in part by the award from the Tribes.

For children in families without homes, a nurturing caregiver and safe environment are especially crucial to success later in life because, in addition to important early education curriculum, these caregivers offer support, stimulation and consistency for children. They also offer parents a critical sense of security that allows them to take care of the adult issues in their lives such as legal meetings, job and housing searches. Homeless parents whose children are enrolled in quality child care programs are more likely to be able to improve the family's socio-economic status than those whose children are not under quality care.

The CCR Homeless Child Care Program sets itself to help at least 500 homeless families with at least 1000 children find and access quality care each year. **Through third quarter of 2013 Child Care Resources has worked with 435 families and placed 906 children in safe, licensed child care situations.**

All families in the CCR Homeless Child Care Program will participate in at least one activity that contributed to finding or obtaining transitional or permanent housing, increasing income or skills, or removing barriers to independent living including housing search; employment counseling; job search; job training/school; making and keeping appointments.

The Homeless Team Lead provides this information:

Emergency shelter, even for families experiencing domestic violence, is very limited in King County. The new coordinated entry system for families trying to access emergency shelter has nearly 4,000 families on their waiting list and over 400 families say they are surviving in conditions not really meant for human habitation like cars, urban camping grounds/tent communities, unheated basements, church floors or church classrooms, RV's with no running water, toilets or electricity.

Our Homeless Childcare Program continues to get calls from families in all these kind of conditions who are working or looking for work or simply focused on keeping a dry roof over the heads for their children. Occasionally they find a friendly person at church who can take them in for a couple of weeks; sometimes they are moving place to place, from friend to friend and occasionally getting a motel voucher from a church or community agency.

Most often they are in a state of perpetual insecurity, not knowing at the beginning of the week or day where they will be sleeping at the end of the day or week.

We have been assisting a family of five...mom, dad and three children, ages 4, 7, 10. When they first moved into the car parking program at one East King County church, it was summer. Now it is November and they are still sleeping in their cars and the children get up every day, use the bathroom facilities at the church and go to school. One parent has been employed full time at a minimum wage job and the other parent is searching for work and fully engaged with his union office, hoping to get back to work in the construction field but willing to take any work at all. He found some temporary work in a pumpkin patch which ended just before Halloween. The youngest child is enrolled in a full time childcare program with Head start services and the other two children receive afterschool care funding at their school, so they have some place warm to go to after school instead of back to the church parking lot.

Homeless families are referred to the CCR Homeless Child Care Program through many avenues including shelters; community based agencies; and our own Information and Referral Line (a free service to assist parents in finding child care). A CCR Child Care Homeless Specialist also visits the facility and either works through the provider or directly with the family to determine the spectrum of services needed for that particular child. Once the relationship is established, CCR can provide a broad range of support to these families that include: helping the family find a child care provider, including for nighttime, weekend and part-time care that homeless families often need; paying for care on a temporary basis and helping the family access other community resources to pay for more permanent child care; and guiding families in accessing the other supportive services they require – including employment, housing, legal assistance, health care and schooling – by coordinating with other service providers such as local community and technical colleges, the public health department, school districts, homeless advocates, and state and local governments.

We are so appreciative of the support of the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund and hope you will join us again in this important work.

Thank you,



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