



Funds Distribution Report

Recipient Organization:
Christmas House

Address:
P.O. Box 717
Everett, WA 98206

Contact:
(425) 338-2273
<http://www.christmas-house.org>

Organization's General Goals:
Christmas House provides an opportunity for qualifying, low-income, Snohomish County parents to select free holiday gifts for their children age infant through 18.

Date of Award:	Level:
2018 Q2	\$2,501 to \$5,000

For more information, please read the attached report from Christmas House.

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Tulalip, WA 98271
TulipCares.org



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March 10, 2019

Tulip Tribes Charitable Contributions
8802 27th Ave. NE
Tulalip, WA 98271-9694

Dear Marilyn Shelden,

This letter of sincere thanks comes to you on behalf of our entire Board of Directors for t
[REDACTED] donation to Christmas House received in August from the **Tulalip Tribes Charita
Contributions Fund.**

This past December we surpassed our goal and served 7,184 children from low-income families with Christmas gifts. The children served were from 2,390 Snohomish County families. We were able to distribute over 46,000 gifts and didn't close our doors until the v
last parent who wanted our help was served.

We couldn't be successful without the help of more than 800 volunteers who gave us over 7,500 hours of their time to help us bring Christmas smiles to so many children. We also, couldn't do it without generous donors like **Tulalip Tribes** who support us with your funding. Thank you so very much! Your continued support validates our efforts for which we are truly grateful.

Sincerely,

Gregg Milne
President

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CHRISTMAS HOUSE
Celebrating Giving Since 1981

Founded in 1981, Christmas House is a 501 (c) (3) recognized non-profit organization registered in Washington State. Its Federal EIN number is 91-1177244. No goods or services were provided by Christmas House in exchange for this donation. This donation is deductible as allowed by the Internal Revenue Service.



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CHRISTMAS HOUSE Evaluation Summary for 2018 Season

Organization Name:

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Contact Person:

Linda Averill, Director & Grant Chairman
seagull3@msn.com

Project Information:

Christmas House 2018
Timeline – 03/01/2018 to 2/28/2019
Number Served was 7,169 children from 2,390 families
Project Cost Per Person Served was \$70.00 (retail value, not cost)
45,404 gifts given
Project Service Area: all of Snohomish County

Our mission is to provide free Christmas gifts for newborn to 18-year-old children of qualified low-income families residing in Snohomish County. Many of whom would have no gifts to open on Christmas morning were it not for our help. We began 2018 with a goal to serve at least 7,000 children in December 2018. On our final shopping day, we stayed open until the last parent who wanted our help was served.

With our grant funding and other donations, we purchase toys and outer wear clothing for children's Christmas gifts that we made available for qualified parents to select for free gifts during the 13 days we were open each year. Our Procurement Committee shoppers are skilled not only at finding the best buys but also at negotiating even greater discounts so that we proudly share that the value we provide our families is at least three times less than one would pay retail! *We stretch your dollars as far as we can.* Available funds permitting, we are in stores within days after each Christmas House closes, shopping the best deals of the year and negotiating for additional discounts. With volunteer help we then box and store these thousands of gifts until the next Christmas House.

Christmas House fills the need of thousands of low-income Snohomish County families who want the same things during the holidays that we all want... to give our children a joyful Christmas!

We believe our program is successful because we are able to serve huge numbers of children while maintaining our overhead costs at 2% or less. We consider this an incredible accomplishment, reachable only because we are a 100% volunteer organization.

Our 2018-19 program was successfully operated on the timeline we had outlined and within the budget we set for ourselves earlier in the year. As mentioned above, we didn't close our doors on our final shopping day until the last person who wanted our help was served. We served hundreds of families just on that day. We served 7,169 children from 2,390 families over a period of almost 2 weeks. We were assisted in this task by a cadre



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with tens of thousands of gifts from storage to the Boys & Girls Club gymnasium in North Everett. There, they help to set up our “store” and work as *shopper helpers* once the “store” opens. After Christmas House closes, volunteers help us pack up, clean up the gym and return any leftover inventory to our storage spaces.

Christmas House has served the children of low-income families of Snohomish County since 1981. It is a 501(c) (3) non-profit charitable organization (#91-1177244). The website is www.Christmas-house.org.

We will continue with our annual program so long as we have the support of our community. *We do one thing and we do it well, but we couldn't do it without the financial support of generous individuals, workplace donations and numerous charitable foundations or without the incredible turnout of community volunteers who help us make it happen each December!*

Thank You,

Gregg Milne
Board President

Linda Averill
Grant Writer

