



# Funds Distribution Report

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**Organization's General Goals:**  
Community Homes provides, promotes, and sustains exceptional community-based housing for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

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<b>Date of Award:</b>	<b>Level:</b>
2019 Q3	\$500 to \$2,500

**Specific Use for This Award:**  
For more information, please read the attached report from Community Homes.

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Marilyn Sheldon, Director  
Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions  
8802 27<sup>th</sup> Ave NE  
Tulalip, WA 98271

Dear Ms. Sheldon:

Community Homes is deeply grateful for the support of the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund. With your generous grant award of [REDACTED] in December 2019 for general operating support, you have helped us continue our mission of providing, promoting and sustaining exceptional community-based housing for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD). 2020 was a challenging year, and yet we can still celebrate our accomplishments – made possible with your support!



Our new home in Newcastle serves three women with I/DD.

**Housing Expansion – purchase of two new properties:** In late 2019, Community Homes was awarded \$2.7 million in affordable housing funding from ARCH Housing Finance Program, King County Housing Finance Program and Washington State Department of Commerce Housing Trust Fund. With these funds, we will acquire two new properties that serve an additional 8 adults with I/DD. The organization purchased the first of these two homes in May 2020. Located in Newcastle, this home opened in September and serves three women with I/DD. The purchase of the second home, serving 5 men with I/DD, will be finalized by December 2020. Renovations will begin in early 2021 with the opening of the home planned for the second half of 2021.

**Workshop program expansion with covid-19 response:** In recognition that the demand for housing far exceeds the supply, Community Homes has a robust Housing Education Program to provide information that empowers families to access permanent, supportive housing for their family member with I/DD, including creating their own housing. This program has served 300+ families in the last 3 years. The education program has been so successful that Community Homes hired a full-time Education and Outreach Manager in 2020 to further assist families as they navigate the complex pathway to supportive housing.



In early 2020 in response to Covid-19, Community Homes modified and expanded the education program utilizing a webinar format and offering now weekly workshops. Expanded topics for these free webinars now include Family Networking, Understanding Social Security Income, Meaningful Day Activities for Adults with I/DD, and more. These workshops have been attended by 500 individuals across the state and other parts of the US.

**Addition of Family Networking Program:** Community Homes fostered a partnership with Woodinville-based nonprofit My Village NW in early 2020 to develop and facilitate “Can Do Housing,” a parent networking group for housing. The mission of My Village NW is to promote genuine engagement between individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their communities across the lifespan.

“Can Do Housing” provides families with:

- Information about housing
- Support to move forward on their housing journey
- The opportunity to network and build relationships with others and provide accountability.
- The opportunity to engage in an activity-based process to create their vision and plan their housing journey.



We are excited and energized for the future and confident in our organization’s ability to continue to serve more adults in developing community-based housing. We appreciate your past support and look forward to our potential work together in the future to provide rich, full lives for adults with developmental disabilities. Thank you for your all you do to support adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities in the Puget Sound area.

Sincerely,

Vicki Isett  
Executive Director  
Community Homes, Inc.

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*Our 35 residents have benefitted from Zoom meetings and dance parties during the pandemic, as well as activities in the homes.*