



TulalipCares.org

Tulalip Charitable Contributions Funds Distribution Report

NAME OF AGENCY: Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens 2016-Q4

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GENERAL GOALS: The mission of the Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens is to create and maintain an inspirational arboretum and gardens accessible to all, internationally acclaimed and locally enjoyed for its plant diversity, original art and educational opportunities.

SPECIFIC USE FOR THIS AWARD:

This award was used as support for operational expenses and programs.

For more information please see the attached report from Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens.

Marilyn Sheldon, Director
Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions
Report code Q4 2016 14.2 from the Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens

The mission of the Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens is to create and maintain an inspirational arboretum and gardens accessible to all, internationally acclaimed and locally enjoyed for its plant diversity, original art and educational opportunities. In March of this year the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contribution Fund honored us with a grant of [REDACTED] to further the goals of our mission by expanding our Pacific Coast Native Trail (AKA Northwest Native Trail) demonstration garden. Sadly the heavy spring rains and contractor delays significantly delayed our proposed time line. Due to these delays it has been determined that to achieve the greatest impact the formal celebration for this project will include all of the South Arboretum new gardens and coincide with Earth Day in April of 2018. Please expect an invitation in early April. Our work continues and this report outlines the completed use of funding as budgeted in our grant proposal.

The [REDACTED] committed to education and outreach was put to use even before the check arrived in March. In February of 2017 arboretum volunteers partnered with Denney Youth Center and the Garden PATH (Positive Alternatives Through Horticulture) to do hands on instruction in propagating native plants for use in both the arboretum and as give away gifts for our April 22, Earth Day event. Our volunteers continue to work with the PATH participants to start new plants including native bulbs that will be used for planting in conjunction with our 2018 Earth Day Event.



Our April 22, 2017 Earth Day event drew a crowd of all ages as plants were both planted and taken home to plant in their own gardens.



Educational outreach continued with a free class lead by radio gardening talk show host Scott Connor where attendees learned more about the “Nativars” or cultivars of native plants that are a part of this demonstration garden. This was an opportunity to explore both the pros and cons of their use in the urban landscape. This portion of the grant money was used for soil, pots, plants, speaker fees, event supplies and printing

The project called for \$500.00 of our total budget of \$2,000.00 for soil amendments and \$500.00 of our total budget of \$1,000.00 for rock and logs. In keeping with our goal of creating sustainable and organic gardens the soil amendment portion of the grant money was spent on organic fertilizer. A variety including Flower, Rhododendron and All Purpose of will improve the soil to meet requirements for various plants and keep our garden healthy and safe for people and animals. The rock and log portion went all to the purchase of more than \$1,700.00 of northwest Huckleberry Basalt that is a feature of a new sunny garden area that will be able to represent plants of the Cascade region of our state. Additional stone purchased will be used in other new gardens in the larger south arboretum project and create a balance throughout this new area.

The stars of any garden are always the plants and the \$1,000.00 portion of our total \$4,000.00 budget was directed to the purchase of the new “Nativars” highlighted in this garden. While there are too many plants to list here I have attached the purchase order form our local Sunnyside Nursery where we are given a generous discount. We are proud of the support of our local businesses. The addition of this group of Nativars has allowed us to greatly increase the diversity of plant materials displayed in the garden.



The use of native plants in the home garden fosters good land stewardship practices and makes gardens more self-sustaining. Our native plant demonstration garden remains one of the most popular destinations in the Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens. Docent tours have increased greatly in the past months with as many as 50 gardeners arriving by bus from Whidbey Island. Because of the interest in native plants we are making our Earth Day event an annual event and gardening with native bulbs has been added to our 2018 lineup of free classes. All of the members and volunteers at the Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens want to thank the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contribution Fund for supporting the work we do.

All receipts related to purchases for this grant are available in the Evergreen Arboretum office and would be supplied to you upon request.

Below: Northwest Native Trail in the Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens



Native Plant Walk

Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens Order

Sunnyside Nursery

Marysville, WA 98270

- 1 Physocarpus 'Amber Jubilee' - Ninebark Tree \$114.99
- 3 Azalea occidentale 'Irene Koster' – Western Azalea \$32.99 each
- 3 Aronia x 'Lowscape' – Choke Cherry \$36.99 each
- 1 Cornus x nutallii 'Starlight' – Pacific Hybrid Dogwood \$239.99
- 3 Mahonia x 'Soft Caress' – Oregon Grape Hybrid \$18.99 each
- 1 Pinus contorta 'Spaan's Dwarf' – Dwarf Shore Pine \$79.99
- 3 Leucothoe 'Squirt' – Coast Leucothoe \$24.99 each
- 1 Corylus contorta 'Red Dragon' – Contorted Filbert \$99.99
- 5 Vaccinium glauco-album – Himalayan Blueberry \$9.99 each
- 3 Symphiocarpus x 'Galaxy' – Hybrid Snowberry \$32.99 each
- 3 Symphiocarpus x 'Candy' – Hybrid Snowberry \$32.99 each
- 5 Gaylussacia 'Berried Treasure' – Hybrid Huckleberry \$9.99 each
- 1 Picea stichensis 'Papoose' – Dwarf Sitka Spruce \$89.99
- 1 Tsuga heterophylla 'Thorsen's Weeping' – Weeping Western Hemlock \$289.99
- 1 Philadelphus lewesii "Blizzard" – Western Mock Orange \$29.99
- 6 Gaultheria procumbens 'Berry Cascade' – Wintergreen \$11.99 each
- 6 Gaultheria procumbens 'Cherry Berries' – Wintergreen \$11.99

Plant Total \$1728.44

Sales Tax (9.1%) \$157.28

TOTAL BILL \$1,885.72