# **Funds Distribution Report**



**EvergreenHealth Foundation** 

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**Organization's General Goals:** 

EvergreenHealth Foundation advances the health of neighbors, friends and families. We emphasize collaboration and teamwork to quickly respond in meeting the ever-changing demands of the health care environment.

Date of Award: Level:

2023 Q4 \$2,501 to \$5,000

For more information, please read the attached report from EvergreenHealth Foundation.



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Impact Report for the

# **TULALIP TRIBES CHARITABLE FUND**

We want to extend our gratitude to the **Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund** for your generous support of EvergreenHealth Hospice. Your philanthropy plays a pivotal role in ensuring we can continue providing compassionate, high-quality hospice care to patients and families across King and Snohomish Counties. It is with gratitude and pride that we share the impact your gift has made in the lives of those we serve.

#### A SHARED MISSION OF COMMUNITY WELL-BEING

Much like the **Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund's** dedication to furthering the well-being of our surrounding community, EvergreenHealth Hospice is deeply committed to providing comfort, dignity, and support to patients facing end-of-life challenges. Our team of hospice caregivers, chaplains, social workers, and volunteers work together to honor the unique values, preferences, and wishes of each patient. They work hand-in-hand with families to minimize physical pain while maximizing the quality of a patient's final moments with their loved ones.

MEETING THE GROWING NEED FOR IN-PATIENT HOSPICE CARE

In February 2023, Providence Regional Hospital in Everett closed its in-patient hospice center, leaving the Gene and Irene Wockner Hospice Care Center as the only freestanding hospice facility in King and Snohomish Counties. With this closure, EvergreenHealth has become the sole provider of in-patient hospice care for a significant portion of the region. This transition resulted in an influx of patients and additional operational challenges, but the support of the **Tulalip Tribes**Charitable Fund has helped us rise to meet this growing need.

EvergreenHealth Hospice now provides essential, acute hospice care for patients referred from across both counties. It is the support of donors, like the **Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund**, that allows us to maintain the operational capacity needed to care for these patients, ensuring that no one in our community is left without access to the vital hospice services they deserve.

## A HOLISTIC APPROACH TO HOSPICE CARE

In the six months since we've received funding from the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund, EvergreenHealth Hospice has cared for approximately 3,000 patients across our inpatient and outpatient service lines — including those at our 15-bed Wockner Center. We provide 24-hour phone support and regular visits from caregivers who offer compassionate, personalized care. This expansive reach is only made possible through the sustained support of organizations like yours, and we are grateful for your partnership in helping us provide a continuum of care for families during life's most challenging moments.

Despite the high costs associated with in-patient hospice care, your philanthropy

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## BY THE NUMBERS

Our hospice program is staffed by a dedicated & highly trained team, including:

Full-time Chaplain

Clinical Manager

2
Bereavement Coordinator

Full-time Social Workers

Full-time Medical Providers

Per Diem Medical Providers

**7**Techs

RNs (full & part-time)

enables us to continue providing uncompensated care to those who cannot afford it. This commitment to ensuring that no patient is turned away—regardless of their financial situation—has always been a core value at EvergreenHealth. Thanks to the support of donors like the **Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund**, we are able to honor this pledge and provide care for all patients, even as operational costs rise.

#### **COMPREHENSIVE BEREAVEMENT SERVICES**

It's also important to highlight that the impact of gifts like yours go beyond patient care costs. It touches the heart of our community outreach efforts, enabling us to provide crucial bereavement services to families after the loss of a loved one. In the six month time period after your gift, we not only cared for 3,000 patients, we also cared for their families. **To give you an idea of this impact, during this time period, our bereavement team sent out over 5,000 letters and made over 2,000 calls, all while organizing 72 bereavement groups and 120 individual sessions.** These services help families heal, and they are made possible because of the support from donors like you.

#### **VOLUNTEERS: THE HEART OF OUR CARE**

Our hospice program is also bolstered by over 120 active volunteers, guided by two full-time volunteer coordinators, who provide a range of essential support services. These volunteers include Patient Care Volunteers, who offer companionship and respite to caregivers in homes, facilities,



One of our families supported by our hospice team

or at our Wockner Center. Additionally, Massage and Comfort Therapy Volunteers deliver soothing therapies like massage, reiki, and music to help alleviate pain and anxiety, while Craft Volunteers create quilts, blankets, and handmade items that provide comfort and become treasured keepsakes for families. Our volunteers are an integral part of our care team, offering both practical and emotional support, and they help to elevate the hospice experience for our patients and their loved ones.

Long-time volunteer Priscilla Wiest

#### LOOKING FORWARD: A PARTNERSHIP IN EMPOWERING OUR COMMUNITY

Priscilla Wiest The **Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund's** story of service and commitment to cultural vibrancy and community health reflects the same values that guide EvergreenHealth Hospice. We are privileged to work alongside you in supporting the needs of the community. As EvergreenHealth continues to meet the rising demand for hospice services in the wake of increased regional needs, your partnership is critical in ensuring we can continue to provide the highest level of care and compassion to every patient and family. Together, we are building a stronger, healthier, and more compassionate community.

"I am eternally grateful for the care that was given to my Mom while in your hospice care. We should all be blessed as she was in her final days with the love and compassion you provided to her and all of us who loved and now miss her."

Robert Voiss

# **EvergreenHealth Hospice Leadership**

MONIQUE GABLEHOUSE
CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER, POST ACUTE CARE

Monique Gablehouse is the VP of Clinical Integration and Home Care/Hospice at EvergreenHealth, overseeing home health, hospice, palliative medicine, behavioral health, and virtual care. She co-leads the Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility Council.



CHERYL MEDAWATTAGE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Cheryl Medawattage is a Nurse Executive with 28 years of experience, including 26 years dedicated to hospice care. She focuses on improving patient care and developing hospice teams.

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