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Organization's General Goals:

The mission of the Free Clinic of Southwest Washington is to provide and facilitate access to free, compassionate, quality health care for community members who are otherwise unable to obtain such services.

Date of Award:	Level:
2025 Q3	\$2,501 to \$5,000

For more information, please read the attached report from Free Clinic of Southwest Washington.

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Tulalip Cares Grant Report
Amount Received: [REDACTED] for Dental Program
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The Free Clinic of Southwest Washington provides and facilitates access to free, compassionate, quality health care for community members who are otherwise unable to obtain such services. The Tulalip Cares Fund provided a [REDACTED] grant for our dental program in January 2026. The grant funds were used to support staff in their efforts to assist uninsured patients with their dental needs. Annually, the Free Clinic provides services for over 4,000 patient visits, and 275 are dental patients.

The mission of the Free Clinic of Southwest Washington is to provide and facilitate access to free, compassionate, quality health care for community members who are otherwise unable to obtain such services. The Free Clinic was founded in 1990 to care for uninsured and low-income community members who lacked access to health care. We continue that mission today as one of the largest free clinics in the state of Washington. Our 150+ volunteer health care professionals provide virtually all services for over 4,000 patient visits each year. We continually improve our efforts to ensure that every member of our local community has access to free, compassionate, quality health care. Yet our vision remains the same: Compassionate Care – Always.

The Free Clinic is centrally located in the Fourth Plain corridor, one of Clark County, Washington's areas of highest poverty and unmet needs. Over 75% of our clients live in our immediate and adjoining neighborhoods. Today, our patient population is adult and largely Latinx, many of whom live with immigration, cultural, and financial discrimination, and barriers to health care. This has created a higher burden of chronic health conditions in our patient population. Yet our patients often lack access to health care resources, healthy and affordable food, and community resources that others can take for granted, and that could have a positive impact on our patients' health. The Free Clinic aims to alleviate these barriers by providing accessible, free, quality health care.

The Free Clinic's services include basic medical care, urgent dental care, medication assistance, immunizations, diabetes care and self-management, insurance navigation, and coordination of specialty care in the community. We have 7 full-time staff, 6 part-time staff, and 150+ volunteers. We have relationships in the community with several health care systems, including Vancouver Clinic, Kaiser Permanente, and PeaceHealth. They donate specialty services (ex. oncology, surgery) that we do not provide, so our patients can receive the best care possible. Battle Ground Healthcare, another free clinic in Clark County, offers comprehensive dental services to a similar population of uninsured individuals. We collaborate closely with Battle Ground Healthcare in both our medical and dental clinics. We offer complimentary services by referring patients to Battle Ground and vice versa; this not only helps address the need for dental care in our community but helps ensure patients are receiving the best possible care, in a timely and efficient manner, free of charge.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pam Knepper".

Pam Knepper
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