



Funds Distribution Report

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Goodwin Connections

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Organization's General Goals:

We connect families to educational opportunities that build financial stability and create generational change. Our Family Connections Program makes quality childcare and preschool more affordable for parents who are attending college.

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| Date of Award: | Level: |
| 2018 Q4 | \$500 to \$2,500 |

For more information, please read the attached report from Goodwin Connections.

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Grant report from: Seattle Milk Fund/Goodwin Connections
Q4 2018 14.2

Dear Marilyn,

Thanks to you and the Tulalip Charitable Fund, 2019 has been a year of tremendous growth and change for our organization. Last month we changed our name from Seattle Milk Fund to **Goodwin Connections**, a name that better reflects our mission of connecting families to educational opportunities.

While our name and visual identity have changed, our mission has remained the same. We still strive to empower families to break the cycle of poverty and build financial stability. Funds granted by the Tulalip Tribe in 2019 went toward our Family Connections program. This program supports families in which one or both parents is a full-time college student. Program benefits include assistance with childcare or preschool tuition, community and peer support, assistance with basic needs, and career development opportunities. Some Family Connections highlights from 2019 include:

- 51 student-parents participated in the Family Connections program. While they worked toward a college degree, their children received valuable early learning opportunities, giving them a great start on their education.
- 27 of our student-parents completed their senior year and graduated! Among them is Araceli, who was featured in our fall newsletter. You can read her story [here](#).
- We held our first career development workshop. 12 of our student-parents attended, and received professional advice on interview skills, resumes, and networking. Free childcare was included as part of the event.
- Thanks to our community partnerships, families had the opportunity to engage in enrichment activities such as trips to the zoo, Pacific Science Center, and Seattle Aquarium free of charge.
- This fall, we welcomed 31 new families into the program, bringing the current number of families served to 55. We will be onboarding another group of families in the spring, with the hope of serving a total of 65 families in 2020.



We are enormously grateful for the generosity of the Tulalip Tribe, for helping these families bring their dreams to fruition. As Monica, a 2019 graduate said, “This program is more than a grant that pays for my daughter’s child care. The amount of care and love that I feel from this organization is more than I ever imagined. I’m forever grateful for the support and can’t wait until I can pay it forward and help another momma!” Monica earned her nursing degree and is now working at Swedish Hospital.

With gratitude,

Maggie Skinner
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