

Funds Distribution Report

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Greater Maple Valley Community Center

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Organization's General Goals:
To enhance the health and social well-being of our community by providing access to health and social services, as well as opportunities for education, recreation, and involvement with the community.

Date of Award:	Level:
2019 Q4	\$2,501 to \$5,000

For more information, please read the attached report from Greater Maple Valley Community Center.

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Grant Report

Funder: Tulalip Tribes
Award Date: March 19, 2020
Award Amount: [REDACTED]
Funding Purpose: Senior Nutrition Program
Report Prepared by: Mark Pursley, Executive Director
Program Update:

The Tulalip Tribes generously allocated [REDACTED] to the Greater Maple Valley Community Center’s Senior Nutrition program in March of 2020. The timing of this allocation could not have been more fortuitous as it coincided with a dramatic shift in our program delivery model due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

As per the direction of Governor Inslee and the Seattle-King County Department of Public Health, our indoor dining opportunities were eliminated in mid-March. To adapt to this situation the Community Center shifted to a drive thru lunch model. This shift resulted in multiple changes to our program.

1. We quickly had to figure out how to deliver hot, nutritious, and individually packaged meals to our target population in an outside environment. We accomplished this through dedicating all our staff (administrative and youth program workers as well as those usually assigned to senior programs) to the distribution of the meals in our parking lot. We have been assisted by a contingent of the Washington National Guard for the past several months which has helped tremendously.
2. Our program participation has exploded since last March.

Time Frame	Individuals Served	Meals Served
March 2019 – February 2020	439	5,910
March 2020 – February 2021	581	16,397

This 277% increase in meals served to 32% more people strained our ability to prepare enough meals in our relatively small kitchen. Our solution was to work with a local caterer who prepares and delivers our lunches three days a week. This has been a fantastic boon for all involved in that we are meeting the need while also supporting a local catering company whose business dried up along with the cancellation of weddings, holiday parties and the like.

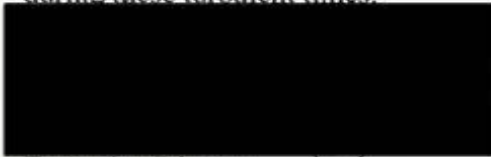
3. With our inability to bring people into our facility we limited in our ability to engage our seniors in much needed social activities. To battle this, we have included daily “Brain Game” activities in each lunch serving with logic puzzles, crosswords, sudokus, and word searches. We have also been proactive in recognizing holidays and special events through singing elves at Christmas, cards made by our teen program for Mothers’ Day, special desserts at Thanksgiving, a visit by the Easter Bunny, and the playing of Taps on Memorial Day.





- As would be expected, the increase in meals served has resulted in a tremendous increase in the cost of the program. While our government funding has been increased somewhat to meet this need the efforts of our philanthropic partners has made it possible for us to continue this vital service.

I would like to extend my sincerest thanks to the Tulalip Tribe for assisting us in making a difference during these turbulent times.



Executive Director



All hands on deck



We're here rain or shine



The National Guard have been priceless



Santa and his Singing Elves

