Funds Distribution Report

Recipient Organization: Heartbeat Family Support Services

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Organization's General Goals: Heartbeat's mission is to strengthen and support families by providing educational and supportive programs and events.

Date of Award: 2017 Q1

Level: \$2,501 to \$5,000

Specific Use for This Award: For more information, please read the attached report from Heartbeat Family Support Services.



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Final Report to Tulalip Tribes for Funds received for 2017

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May 2017 we attended the State Foster Care Conference. We provided cultural activities for the foster children who attended with their foster parents. We played Bingo where the children learn to identify different objects and they win prizes (of course they all go home with something) we are planning to repeat at the state foster care conference in May 2018. So the left over prizes will support the conference in May 2018.

With the funds received, we were able to fund our yearly event Tribal Revival. Tribal Revival is a Native American cultural event where elders and mentors come together to share teachings and cultural activities to children in foster care and who have been adopted. This year was our 6th year hosting Tribal Revival. This year we moved the event to Cama Beach on Camano Island since the Lake Union in Seattle location was not as successful last year. We are limited in where we can hold our events since as part of our event, families ride on canoes and learn how to welcome the canoes to come ashore. This location was next the Center for Wooden Boats and was a perfect location. We had more attend this year with the sign in total at 54 (who knows how many didn't sign in). The weather was beautiful and many sat on the beach during the canoes rides and helped welcome the canoes to shore. Many park attendees were curious about what we were doing and they also learned something about Native culture.

Elders provided some storytelling and shared some songs as well as beading and wind chime making. We set up the crafts under a nice shady tree and they elder went to work. Kids and their families would wonder over a join and learn something new from their elders. This casual environment allows foster parents a comfortable way to talk the elders about raising native children. Parents always give feedback on how comfortable they are and how much they enjoyed coming. We strive to make it feels like a big family event where everyone is welcome.

We thank Tulalip Tribes for helping support all our efforts, we consider the goal of keeping children connected to their culture of the most importance.

We look forward to the coming year. We will be attending the state foster care conference again in May. Last year many foster parents interacted with our volunteers, mostly asking about the tribe their children are from. In August 2018 we will have our 7th Tribal Revival and a winter training. That's what is planned for now!

Thanks again for all your support Maddy Krygier Chryss James Co-Directors



