



TulalipCares.org

Tulalip Charitable Contributions Funds Distribution Report

NAME OF AGENCY: Kidsquest Children's Museum

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GENERAL GOALS: Our mission is to create learning through the power of play and exploration that connects children to their communities and the world.

SPECIFIC USE FOR THIS AWARD:

This award was used as support for operational expenses and BizQuest Program.

For more information please read the attached report from KidsQuest.

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Marilyn Sheldon, Director
Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions
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Tulalip, WA 98271

Dear Marilyn,

Thank you for attending BizQuest in June. KidsQuest Children's Museum is honored by your generous gift in support of our Community Access Program. Your contribution enables children and their families who, without your assistance, would not have the opportunity to benefit from the museum's educational programming. In 2016, 225 received free access scholarships to the museum and its regularly scheduled events with an anticipated 50% increase in scholarship need expected for 2017.

KidsQuest is pleased to report that our new facility opened in January in Downtown Bellevue and in the first week alone, hosted 10,000 visitors. The community's response to the new museum has been very enthusiastic with a 170% increase in attendance over 2016 thus far. We are delighted by your interest in our programs and welcome you to tour our exhibits and attend one of our many classes. Please let us know your availability at your convenience and we look forward to hosting you!

KidsQuest continues to embrace its core values of providing inclusive play and leading edge learning for the whole family that is innovative and accessible. Through thoughtful community building, KidsQuest has established partnerships with numerous social service agencies bringing



the power of play to 70,000 children, family members and caregivers since opening its doors in 2005. Through outreach programs and activities, this "museum on the move" also serves the Puget Sound's School Districts offering free Science of Art field trips throughout the year. Last year, over 900 museum admissions and memberships were donated to local charities and schools with an additional 2,400 visiting the museum through free parent workshops and Low Sensory Evenings for children with autism and Sensory Processing Disorder. In 2017, KidsQuest anticipates growing its

Community Access Program by 30% in total as it expands its Museums for All reduced admission

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program and continues to reach out to families in need through its Low Sensory Evenings. KidsQuest continues to offer pre-schools, educational organizations, and youth and family transitional housing centers field trip scholarships to extend our programming throughout the



community. For many of these children, this is their first and only chance to experience a museum or "outside" learning program, and is often the highlight of their year. It has been reported that successful out of school Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (STEM) learning results from dynamic interactions that occur over time in diverse settings such as museums. The National Research Council concluded that out of school programs have

been shown to contribute to young people's interest in and understanding of STEM; connect young people to caring adults who serve as role models; and reduce the achievement gap between young people from lower income and high income families.

KidsQuest is committed to the belief that learning through creative play and exploration connects all children and prepares them to be our future leaders, educators and innovators. We are so grateful for the Tulalip Tribes interest and support of our early learning programs. On the behalf of so many in our community, thank you for your generosity.

Sincerely,

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