

Tulalip Charitable Contributions Funds Distribution Report

NAME OF AGENCY: Lifewire

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GENERAL GOALS: LifeWire envisions a world in which every person lives in a safe

environment, free from oppression and with the opportunity to thrive.

SPECIFIC USE FOR THIS AWARD:

Your charitable contribution provided support for LifeWire's continuum of services from emergency housing and housing stability to legal advocacy, family counseling and domestic violence prevention education. The programs and services that you fund provide life-saving services when survivors, children and families need them most.

For more information see the attached report from Lifewire.



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We are truly grateful for your generous gift of to LifeWire for operating support in August, 2015 and are honored to partner with you. With the Tulalip Tribes' support LifeWire continues to make a profound impact in our community. With your generous support in 2015 LifeWire:

Served **4,196** victims of domestic violence
Responded to **8,445** calls to our 24-Hour Help Line
Provided **664** victims and their children with safe, confidential shelter
Provided **27,267** nights of safe shelter to victims and their children
Educated over **11,700** members of the community on domestic violence

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Community Advocacy Services:

24-Hour Helpline: Support, encouragement, and safety planning; the gateway to all LifeWire services. **Advocacy Services:** Safety planning, resources, referrals and education for survivors, family, friends and the community. Legal advocacy, education and coordination with the criminal justice system. **Adult, Youth & Children's Support Groups:** Weekly support groups for adults, youth and children who have experienced domestic violence.

Outreach Services:

Prevention & Social Change: LifeWire leads social change through innovative partnerships and strong collaborations with leaders in law enforcement, the attorney general's office, government, criminal justice system, family court system, health and mental health care, housing, legal systems, child welfare and other systems.

Education & Prevention: Teaching and educating children and youth so that they might better understand the dynamics of violence and break the cycle of abuse. We educate, teach and inform the community about the complexity of domestic violence.

Legislative & Systems Advocacy: Speaking out and acting for change and justice on behalf of survivors; ensuring survivors rights within multiple systems.

Counseling Services:

Individual mental health therapy and group counseling for survivors of domestic violence.

Housing Services:

Hotel-Motel Voucher Program: Emergency housing for short stays in hotels and motels.

My Sister's Home: Confidential emergency interim housing and supportive services for families in lethal situations.

My Friend's Place: Confidential transitional shelter and supportive services for families in lethal situations healing from both domestic violence and substance abuse.

Rental Assistance Program: Financial assistance and support services for families in non-time-limited housing.

Housing Stability Program: Flexible financial assistance and support services focused on obtaining and/or maintaining housing as well as homelessness prevention efforts.

Domestic violence is pervasive and impacts thousands of families throughout our community, regardless of age, gender identity, sexual orientation, economic status, race, religion, nationality or educational background. More than 1 in 4 women and more than 1 in 10 men have experienced sexual violence, physical violence or stalking by an intimate partner and suffered significant impacts such a post-traumatic stress disorder and injury. One in 3 American youth age 14-20 has been a victim of dating violence. Children's exposure to domestic violence and maltreatment frequently results in emotional and behavioral problems throughout childhood and into adulthood.

LifeWire's mission is to end domestic violence by changing individual, institutional and societal beliefs, attitudes and behaviors that perpetuate it. In the past 34 years LifeWire has made tremendous progress and lasting change in our community through our prevention efforts, ongoing advocacy, education and community-based initiatives. Prevention and education holds the greatest promise of keeping future generations safe from violence and is the focus of our innovative Social Change Department.



YOU provide HOPE to thousands of families in need in our community.

"I don't know where we would be today if it weren't for LifeWire. We had nowhere else to turn for help. I couldn't return home to my abuser. We had been in the emergency room too many times and I just couldn't do it anymore. When I called LifeWire I was determined to find my way out. Today I can honestly say I've never been happier in my life and because of that, I'm a better mother, friend, employee and partner. THANK YOU for being a steady figure of safety and encouragement in my life. We wouldn't be safe today without the love and support of the team at LifeWire."

Thank you for your trust and support in our mission to prevent and end domestic violence. We are honored to partner with the Tulalip Tribes.