



Tulalip Charitable Contributions Funds Distribution Report

NAME OF AGENCY: Marysville Food Bank

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GENERAL GOALS: To provide nutritious food to our community without question or judgment. To refer clients to other resources as needed. To use care and compassion in all our work.

SPECIFIC USE FOR THIS AWARD:

The funds were put to great use toward feeding our hungry children within our community. The funds that you provided were used to purchase food for the Food For Thought Backpack Program. During the 2015 we provided over 12,000 bags of food to elementary students. We served 13 different schools between the Marysville and Lakewood school districts.

For more information, please see the attached report from Marysville Food Bank.

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April 25, 2016

Dear Marilyn and Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund Members,

The Marysville Community Food Bank is honored to provide you the following report on the usage of funds that Tulalip Tribes provided to our organization in November.

We are pleased to provide you with this year's report of the Food For Thought Backpack Program's usage of the generous [REDACTED] grant you provided for this program.

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A sampling of what goes into a food pack



Food Pantry @ MPHS ~ Food Pantry @ ISC GHS

The program continues to thrive thanks to great collaboration between dedicated volunteers, the school districts, community members and foundations. The Tulalip Tribes, who were integral in getting this program started, continue to play a large role through their financial support.

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By the end of the last school year we were serving 344 students a week. This school year we were able to reach beyond the elementary schools and provide assistance to those children that are struggling (often with homelessness) at the middle and high school levels. We are currently providing what we call a Food Pantry/Closet at some of the Middle and High Schools. This will allow students in need of food support to discretely get what they need. We are so glad to have finally found an approach to serve these higher level students.

Thank you for your continued support of this important program. We feel strongly that taking care of our children should be a top priority.

And thank you so very much for your support of [REDACTED] for food purchases focused on the holidays. The Food Bank was able to provide 1,249 families with holiday groceries for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Thanks to you, for the second year in a row we provided a whole turkey to every family.

We would like to share a story with you along and a picture about a young mom coming into the food bank with her son. It was during our Thanksgiving distribution and Amy was helping them pick out their holiday food when the little boy saw the turkey that Amy had grabbed for them to put in the shopping cart. He was so excited and asked "Is that turkey for us?" Amy replied "It sure is!" and the smile on his face and the hug he gave his mom was priceless. He told Amy that he couldn't remember the last time he had turkey.



You may not see the end result of your donation, but these families really do appreciate everything that is done to help them out of a bad situation thanks to your continual support.

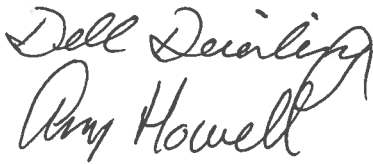
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Funds from your grant were also used to purchase many of the hams that we bought to provide to our families for Easter. This is a new tradition for us to better serve our families. Here too, the appreciation by folks was priceless and we hope to provide hams every year for Easter going forward.

We truly thank you for partnering with us to address hunger in our community. The support you provide the Food Bank for food purchases for the holidays and the Food For Thought program are so important to the families in our area that need a helping hand to get through tough times. Many people are still struggling to keep food on the table while dealing with so many other challenges. The good news is that when people receive help from the Food Bank, they not only get something to eat, but often it helps them stay in their home or get needed medicine with the money they save.

With sincere appreciation,

Handwritten signatures of Dell Deierling and Amy Howell in cursive script.

Dell Deierling, Director & Amy Howell, Assistant Director and FFT Program Manager