



Tulalip Charitable Contributions Funds Distribution Report

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GENERAL GOALS: M.I.C. (Multiple Levels in Communities) formerly known as Project M.I.C. started as a single church Domestic Violence Program Ministry, and eventually expanded, receiving full non-profit status in 2005, to include services to individuals, groups and organizations throughout the Greater Seattle area and beyond.

SPECIFIC USE FOR THIS AWARD:

This award was used for operational costs for their programs.

For more information please see the attached report from Multi Communities.



MULTI-COMMUNITIES(M.I.C.)
ACTIVITY REPORT January-Mid September 2016

- **Community Peace Table Meeting of Professionals (including Community Resource Team Co-Leaders, Garry Owens and Hulet Gates, III) in the chambers of Superior King County Court Judge Lori K. Smith, Chief of Unified Family Court were held on: January 13th, March 9th, and June 30th. Ward Urion, Social Change Manager for LifeWire joined us for one of the meetings. Robert Beiser, Executive Director of Seattle Against Slavery will be at our September 29th group series session and has agreed to be a part of our Community Peace Table, and in addition will be a panelist at our "Men's Circle Journey Project" event scheduled for mid to late October.**
- **Next Community Peace Table Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 15, 2016 at 12:15 pm.**
- **Strategy meetings have occurred with Carolyn Scott Brown, Learning and Resource Director, and Sarah Butler, Program Manager from the internationally-recognized FaithTrust Institute, during early February. Wrote and presented first webinar for FaithTrust Institute entitled "Called to Serve" in late March.**
- **Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention display at Seattle Public Library, Delridge Branch for all of March to mid-April.**
- **Client Services have included: A combined total of 14 families, including 27 children, four of which have disabilities. Assistance provided was advocacy for shelter and other temporary housing, safety planning, resources and referrals, plus emergency financial assistance for school supplies, utility bills and food.**

Ethnic Breakdown
70% African American
10% African Descent
5% Caucasian
7% Native American
6% Hispanic
2% Asian American

Source of Referrals
Ministers & other leaders-----19%
Faith & other community members—15%
Colleagues-----11%
Self Referrals-----30%
Peers-----10%
Hotline-----15%

- **Received additional letters of support for "Closing the Circle Pilot Project" from Retired Minister William H. Harper, formerly from Southside Church of Christ in Renton; Minister Ron Clark, Founder and Exec. Director of Agape Ministries in Portland, Oregon, and Carol Mizoguchi, Family Assistance Program Assistant, and Lyle Evans, Executive Director of West Seattle Senior Center. News of our project was sent to all staff members of Sound Generations in the Greater Seattle area thanks to Lyle Evans.**
- **Numerous contacts made and information sent regarding the project for funding suggestions, referrals, and/or co-partnerships with faith communities and others, including : Church Council, Westside Interfaith Network,UW School of Nursing, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research and City and County Human Services Programs, including Seattle Youth Violence Initiative Network, Art Institute of Seattle, Mary's Place, Compass Housing Alliance, as well as various media contacts.**
- **In July 2016, City of Seattle Department of Neighborhoods, Summer Opportunity Program awarded organization a grant for «Men's Circle Journey Project, an 11 week group series for East African/African American males, ages 18-24 on culturally relevant healthy relationship skills building, as well as healing from the impact of Adverse Childhood Trauma scheduled for implementation August thru October of 2016. Other donors include the Windermere Foundation and Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Also, several area businesses, including Ezell's, Dominio's Pizza and Safeway have donated additional food for some group sessions.**

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- **On August 10th, presented at the Whole Teams Meeting at the Seattle Youth Violence Initiative about the « Men’s Circle Journey Project » and « Closing the Circle Pilot Project : Ending Shame and Silence in Predominantly African American Faith Communities, as well as advertised via email to their online community of providers, with a membership of approximately 1,200.**
- **On Monday, September 12th, presentation to the Central Area Chamber of Commerce, and on Friday, September 16th, African American Women’s Circle Group about « Closing the Circle Pilot Project » and « Men’s Circle Journey Group Project.**
- **On Thursday, September 22nd, presentation to staff for Work Source, Rainier Affiliate about the Men’s Circle Journey Project, and the overall plan of the two year « Closing the Circle Pilot Project : Ending Shame and Silence in Predominantly African American faith and other Communities. »**
- **Domestic Violence Awareness Sundays- requests are being made to several Greater Seattle area wide predominantly African American faith community leaders to preach awareness sermons, plus host a display featuring shirts from the Men’s Clothesline Project, and other educational information & resources to increase awareness and break layers of shame and silence.**
- **Starting October 1st, a month long display with information and items, about the « Men’s Circle Project, as well as the two year « Closing the Circle Pilot Project will be displayed at Seattle Public Library, Delridge Branch. More than 2,000 patrons visit the library monthly, according to Seattle Public Library staff.**
- **October 7th, 2016 scheduled to do Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention and Awareness Workshop(s) for Clarkston County YWCA, sponsored by FaithTrust Institute.**

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- **THE WINDERMERE FOUNDATION, TULALIP TRIBES CHARITABLE FUND, PUYALLUP TRIBES CHARITABLE FUND, ALKI CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CATHOLIC CHURCH, UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH and OTHERS.**