



TulalipCares.org

Tulalip Charitable Contributions Funds Distribution Report

NAME OF AGENCY: Neighborhood House

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GENERAL GOALS: The mission of Neighborhood House is to help diverse communities of people with limited resources attain their goals for self-sufficiency, financial independence, health, and community building.

SPECIFIC USE FOR THIS AWARD:

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For more information see the attached pages from Neighborhood House.

November 10, 2014

Marilyn Sheldon, Director
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Dear Marilyn,

Please accept our condolences in connection with the recent tragic events in Marysville. The Tulalip Tribe and the rest of the community are in our thoughts, with heartfelt wishes for healing and peace. May the knowledge that you are making an immeasurably positive impact on families, children, and others in need in our region through your charitable giving provide some consolation during this difficult time.

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The following table summarizes the impact of our No Wrong Door programs in 2013 and in 2014 to date (as of 10/31/14):

	2013	1/1/14-10/31/14
Individuals placed in jobs	362	329
Households obtaining or retaining safe and stable housing	260	195
Individuals receiving financial counseling services at the Financial Empowerment Center	N/A (launched in 2014)	526
Total served through No Wrong Door	3,777	2,845

While our services are located in King County, we do see residents of Snohomish County turn to us for assistance as well. Since 1/1/13, our No Wrong Door programs have served 27 clients residing in Snohomish County. Residents of Snohomish County and North King County can conveniently access our No Wrong Door services at Shoreline Community College and North Seattle College, where we have served 195 clients since 1/1/13.

Individuals and families turning to our No Wrong Door programs are extremely diverse and represent all races and many ethnicities and cultures, including Native American. Since

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1/1/13, No Wrong Door programs have served a total of **30 clients who identified as Native American or Alaskan Native.**

The past year has been a year of continued growth for NH in a number of program areas included in the No Wrong Door program suite. We are particularly proud of **launching our network of Financial Empowerment Centers**, where people can receive free, professional, one-on-one assistance with opening and maintaining safe and affordable bank accounts, budgeting, saving, paying off debt, and improving credit history, regardless of their income or background.

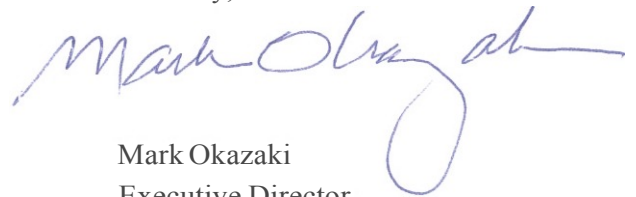
The past 12 months have also brought **growth in our Housing Stability division**, which has added several new programs that will enable us to serve a greater number of homeless households as well as provide a broader range of housing stability services to address diverse needs.

While the growth described above was funded primarily through large government and private grants, it is the generosity of community supporters such as the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund that makes it possible to leverage this funding. Grants such as Tulalip's enable NH to **fill the gaps between programs**, serving clients who may fall outside of our major funders' eligibility criteria but still need our assistance. Your funding also enables us to go beyond the narrow scope of services supported by major grants and **provide the wrap-around support that many clients need** in order to increase self-sufficiency.

Per your request, we are enclosing a selection of photos illustrating some of the work that takes place every day in our No Wrong Door programs. We are also enclosing a profile of one of the clients served by these programs last year. We hope that you enjoy reviewing these materials and that they are helpful in illustrating the human impact of our work.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact NH's Director of Development and Advancement, Miryam Laytner, at MiryamL@nhwa.org or (206) 461-8430 x 231. We appreciate your support of our agency as well as many other Puget Sound area 11 nonprofits. Thank you so much for your generosity.

Sincerely,

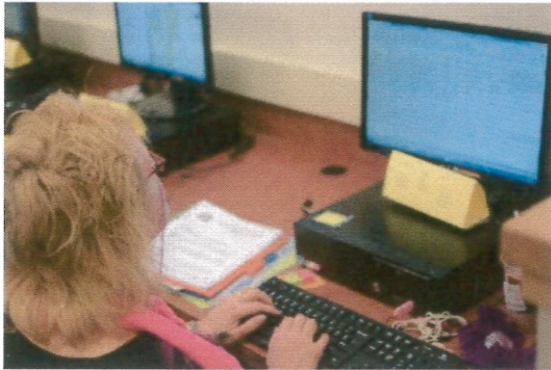
A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark Okazaki". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Mark Okazaki
Executive Director

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Neighborhood House's No Wrong Door Programs: Adult Education & Employment, Housing Stability, Family & Social Services, and Financial Empowerment



Starting Over Provides Man With New Lease On Life

Alvin Bluche had survived Hurricane Katrina, back in 2005, in part by taking shelter with his relatives inside the Louisiana Superdome, and helped rebuild a life for himself and his immediate family after the flooding subsided. But a trip to the Northwest for a friend's wedding in late 2013 convinced him he had another, more positive future waiting for him here, and so he decided to move from his native New Orleans to Seattle. While he hadn't found a job, he had the help of a friend who allowed him to stay on his couch and search for work out of his home.



He learned about Neighborhood House at a resource fair and enrolled in Neighborhood House's employment program a few weeks after moving here. Alvin was immediately connected to Neighborhood House's weekly job search group where he received targeted resume advice, participated in mock interviews, and received one-on-one assistance with online applications. Because of his prior work as a forklift operator, he wanted to take a Forklift Certification class.

Through his Neighborhood House employment case manager, Munira, he was able to sign up for a two-week forklift training program offered by the Puget Sound Training Center. She also provided him with bus passes so that he could get to and from training and access the computer lab to search and apply for jobs.

Alvin was also connected to Neighborhood House's housing stability program that would allow him to find permanent, affordable housing.

"I was in jeopardy of being homeless again, before Neighborhood House stepped in," said Alvin.

Once he had his own roof over his head, things started coming together: less than two months after enrolling in Neighborhood House's programs, Alvin was hired by Randstad Staffing to work full time as a temporary forklift operator. In mid-December, Alvin was also approved for an apartment and moved in. Neighborhood House was able to assist him with the first and last months' rent and the deposit.

With the help of his housing case manager, Alvin was able to get furniture through the Sharehouse. He is now paying his own rent, all of his own bills and has become self-sufficient. And he just started a new job as a forklift operator that will allow him to obtain healthcare coverage, benefits, and regular hours.

Of his experience with Neighborhood House he said, "These leads helped me get a job and helped move me from homelessness and into a beautiful one-bedroom apartment. All the people who worked with me at Neighborhood House-Allison, Fartun, Naima and Munira worked tremendously in making the process extremely smooth. I owe my success in life to them, and I can't thank them enough."

Alvin added that with every new journey, there are going to be bumps in the road, but out of nowhere a path emerged through Neighborhood House that helped him in ways he had never imagined possible.