



## Tulalip Charitable Contributions Funds Distribution Report

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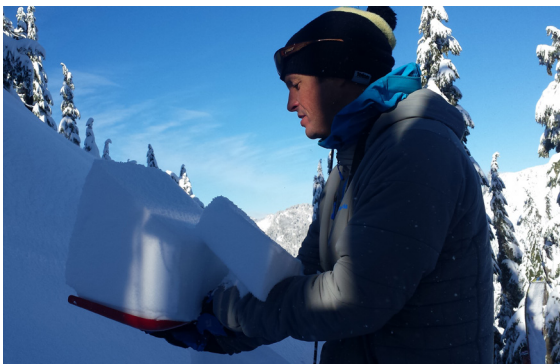
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**GENERAL GOALS:** The mission of NWAC is to save lives and reduce the impacts of avalanches on recreation, industry and transportation in the Cascade and Olympic Mountains of Washington and northern Oregon through mountain weather and avalanche forecasting, data collection and education.

### SPECIFIC USE FOR THIS AWARD:

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For more information, please see the attached report from Northwest Avalanche Center.





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To: Marilyn Sheldon

Re: Q4 2105 14.2

May 3, 2016

Dear Ms. Sheldon,

I am writing to report on the grant funds received by the Northwest Avalanche Center on March 1, 2016. As outlined in our grant application, the funds were used to support our Professional Field Observer program. The winter has drawn to a close, and I am happy to report that the program very successful. Our Puget Sound professional field observers (those responsible for Stevens Pass and the mountains in Snohomish County) submitted 70 observations which were critical to the accuracy of our avalanche forecasts for that region. Funds from the Tulalip Foundation grant enabled us to pay the Puget Sound observers through the end of the season.

While it is difficult to say exactly how many people were impacted by these observations, I can report that we had over 450,000 “unique visitors” to our website, and over 39,000 viewed the Stevens Pass avalanche forecast specifically.

As requested, I am attaching several photos of our professional observers at work, and you can link to our website at [www.nwac.us](http://www.nwac.us).

Thank you again for your support of the Northwest Avalanche Center, and I hope that we can count on your continued support for our life saving services in the future. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like any additional information or have questions about our programs.

Sincerely,

Benj Wadsworth  
Executive Director