



# Funds Distribution Report

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**Recipient Organization:**  
**Northwest Indian College**

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**Organization's General Goals:**  
Through education, Northwest Indian College promotes Indigenous self-determination and knowledge.

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<b>Date of Award:</b>	<b>Level:</b>
2018 Q4	\$2,501 to \$5,000

For more information, please read the attached report from Northwest Indian College.

8802 27th Ave NE  
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**TulipCares.org**



**NWIC Tulalip**

**Long Arm Machine for Community Quilting and Classroom**

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**submitted: 10/30/19**

**Code: Q4 2018 14.2.**

**1. Financial Statements (see attached “Tulalip Cares Financial”)**

**2. Project Activities**

The Tulalip Cares grant of [REDACTED] was used to purchase a Simply Sixteen Long Arm Quilting Machine for the community quilting and sewing classroom on the NWIC Tulalip campus.

Currently, there is an active community quilting group and on-going quarterly quilting instruction classes that occupy the classroom.

Because of ongoing generous community donations, a previous grant from the Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians to do “Math for Quilting,” and the generous grant from the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Grants, community members have been sewing quilts and making dance and ceremonial regalia at no charge for the past two years.

Originally, we felt that quilting and sewing, in general, would be a good vehicle to bring community and students together to create, share and experience the art and science associated

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with measuring, cutting, piecing and stitching. It has turned out to be more successful than we could have imagined and has even birthed the idea to do a community quilt show in 2020.

### **3. Results and Impact**

The long arm quilting machine has made it possible for students and community members to start and complete a quilt in one room. Since we received the Tulalip Cares grant for the Long Arm, we have made the NWIC Tulalip project room accessible to over 20 community members and 24 students. Every quarter, this number grows.

### **4. Lessons Learned**

We lost a member of our quilting staff recently, which was difficult for community, staff and students. We were able to get a new instructor, and the new instructor is as skilled as the previous instructor and has been able to make positive connections with our students and community members.

We have also realized that because the Long Arm is a specialized machine, we will need to train several staff and students to use it. But what a priceless gift! We have also gained community member participation because we have the long arm. One elderly Tulalip community member who had been house bound for years, due to anxiety, now comes to sew and share and create wonderful quilts.

### **5. Future Plans & Sustainability**

In 2020, the NWIC Tulalip campus and specifically, the “quilters” and “sewing members,” will be holding a quilt show to display all of the work we have done. This will be the first of its kind on the Tulalip reservation, and we will be honoring American Indian quilting traditions from across the nation.



NWIC Tulalip Long Arm Quilting Machine 10/25/19

**Northwest Indian College**

Transaction Detail

Starting with May 6, 2019 and Ending with May 14, 2019

Grant 84225 Stillaguamish - Math

Department 00000 General, 000 General

Account Number	4102 Revenue-Restricted Grants	Amount	Posting Reference
01-6-84225-000-00000-4102	5/6/2019 Tulalip Charitable Contributions Fund	██████████ )	Group RC 4996 C
	<b>Total for 4102 Revenue-Restricted Grants</b>	██████████	1 Transaction
<b>Total for Department 00000 General</b>		██████████	1 Transaction
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Account Number	7615 Instructional Supplies	Amount	Posting Reference
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	<b>Total for 7615 Instructional Supplies</b>	██████████	1 Transaction
<b>Total for Department 15800 Extended Campus Site</b>		██████████	1 Transaction
<b>Total for Grant 84225 Stillaguamish - Math</b>		██████████	2 Transactions
	<b>Total for Report</b>	██████████	2 Transactions