

## Tulalip Charitable Contributions Funds Distribution Report

NAME OF AGENCY: Operation Warm

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GENERAL GOALS: Through community-based partnerships Operation Warm provides

families with brand new winter coats for their children while other organizations leverage our coats to deliver social work, after school

programs, educational assistance programs, life skills training,

healthcare offerings, etc.

## SPECIFIC USE FOR THIS AWARD:

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For more information regarding the specific uses of the award, see the following pages from Operation Warm.





Hello Ms. Sheldon,

We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to the Tulalip Tribes and especially yourself for the generous donation that was made to the Coats for Kids/Operation Warm program with the Marysville Professional Firefighters. This event has been a great moral boost at a time of year that can be disappointing for some of the less fortunate children in our community. Each time that our members have participated in this event, there are stories of children that are trying to be sized for a coat that would fit their sister or brother instead of themselves because they do not own one. It has been a humbling event to see children in need thinking of others instead of themselves and has shown the importance of this event.

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One note about the coats that are being handed out to the children. The coats are made from an American company that supplied uniforms and other gear for our military. With the draw down and reduction of troops overseas, this company was going to layoff American workers because of the reduced demand. The IAFF inquired if the company would be able to produce coats for Operation Warm and a partnership was established. Hopefully you and your organization are as happy with the results as we have been and will continue to help support future events.

Thank you for your time and donation!

Your Friend,

Chadrick Hale VP L3219

Attached are a few pictures and I'll send a couple at a time to hopefully allow the file size to come through.