



**CHARITABLE
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Funds Distribution Report

Recipient Organization:
Tacoma Youth Chorus

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Organization's General Goals:
Transforming the lives of youth through choral artistry and the ensemble experience.

Date of Award:	Level:
2025 Q4	\$500 to \$2,500

For more information, please read the attached report from Tacoma Youth Chorus.

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Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions Fund
Evaluation Results and Budget
Fiscal year 2025-26

Marilyn Sheldon, Director
Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions
8802 27th Avenue NE
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Dear Mrs. Sheldon,

Once again, we offer our sincerest appreciation to you and the Charitable Contributions Fund for your support in the amount of \$[REDACTED], to help us expand our ability to serve our community. Through direct contact, we were once again able to serve over 1,000 members of the community, including over 300 youth who were involved in one or more of our collaborative experiences. The broader impacts on the families of our singers and their relationships and activities outside of TYC are likely to be even greater, as the artistic, social, and emotional wellness benefits of singing together have a positive influence throughout their lives. The expenditure report contained in this letter only begins to hint at the impact that the generosity of the Tulalip Tribes is having on our community. Thank you!

EVALUATION:

In TYC's 35 years of serving children through the arts, it has never turned a child away because of financial hardship. Support from the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions Fund and other partners and individuals allowed us to extend need-based scholarships to a record 51 children (which was 30% of our enrolled students), 24 of whom were new to TYC this year. Approximately 49% of the students receiving scholarships self-identified as Asian/Asian-American, Black/African-American, Hispanic/Latino/a/x, Pacific Islander or multiracial. We are grateful that each of these 51 children are in our program, contributing to the artistry, diversity and music! Military families with deployed parents, single-parent households, and families facing unexpected financial hardship due to illness and other extenuating circumstances are grateful to provide a special child in their family with the gift of music education. One of our scholarship recipients recently wrote:

"It has been so wonderful to be able to be a part of TYC. I can't imagine how much I might have missed out on had this not come into my life. It has been so incredible to be able to be surrounded by so many people passionate in music and life. To be able to sing onstage with my choir so many times, challenge myself with music and notes I wasn't sure I'd be able to sing...I am so grateful I got to be a part of this experience."

Your support for our scholarship program in turn enabled us to continue our efforts to strengthen community partnerships, including a free community performance where our elementary-age students sang side-by-side with students in the Bryant Montessori Elementary Choir, a school in a traditionally underserved community. For many of our partner's families, this was their first

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chance to attend a choir concert and to hear their children singing together. We were also able to continue partnerships with the Tacoma Youth Symphony Association, Mary Bridge Children's Hospital, and Symphony Tacoma. The positive feedback we've received from participants, the tremendous audience turnout, and the immediate requests to renew and grow these strategic partnerships for the 26-27 season are all indicators of the success of these partnership initiatives. Likewise, our efforts to offer need-based scholarships have been successful in fostering diversity within our program.



Use of Funds from Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions Fund

FY 2025-26 EXPENSE*		Funding from Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions Fund
Need-based student tuition support (31 singers)	35,834.25	██████████
TOTAL CONSIDERED EXPENSES:	35,834.25	TOTAL FUNDS USED: ██████████
TOTAL FY OPERATING EXPENSES:	304,736.89	

*Data as of 7/21/26

With gratitude,

Judith Herrington
Artistic Director

Dr. Nicholas Lockey
Managing Director