



## Tulalip Charitable Contributions Funds Distribution Report

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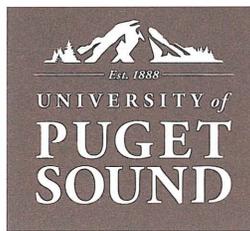
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**GENERAL GOALS:** Founded in 1888 by the United Methodist Church, Puget Sound is a residential, national liberal arts college with approximately 2,600 undergraduate and nearly 270 graduate students.

**SPECIFIC USE FOR THIS AWARD:**

To provide scholarships to Native American students.

For more information, please see the attached report from University of Puget Sound.



April 28, 2016

Ms. Marilyn Sheldon  
Director  
Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contribution Fund  
8802 27th Avenue NE  
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Dear Marilyn,

It is my pleasure to write to you today with a report on the impact of the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions Fund's generous grant to University of Puget Sound. In the 2015-16 academic year, the [REDACTED] scholarship grant was awarded to an eligible Puget Sound student who identifies as Native American.

Jacob Belin '19, from Fruitland, New Mexico, is a freshman physics and mechanical engineering major. In his first year on the Puget Sound campus, Jake has truly embraced what it means to be a liberal arts student. He is deeply engaged in his classes (and obtained a 3.75 GPA in his first semester), holds an on-campus job, and is involved in extracurricular activities including football and a fraternity.

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Affordability is the chief obstacle facing students and their families today. Approximately 51% of all undergraduate students at Puget Sound demonstrate financial need, and more than 96% of all student receive some form of financial assistance. At Puget Sound, we believe that financial barriers should not stand in the way of opportunity. Puget Sound has long been committed to increasing access to college and lowering financial barriers for students. With the help of community partners such as the Tulalip Tribes, we are able to provide students with immediate financial relief.

We are so grateful for the support of community partners like the Tulalip Tribes. Together, we can help students to pursue and achieve their dreams. For additional information about our report, you may reach me at 253.879.3610 or [jkenyon@pugetsound.edu](mailto:jkenyon@pugetsound.edu). The university's website can be found at [pugetsound.edu](http://pugetsound.edu).

Sincerely,

*Many thanks for your support!*

*Jane E. Kenyon*

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Director, Corporate and Foundation Relations



Tulalip Tribes of Washington,

My name is Jacob Belin and I am a student at the University of Puget Sound. I recently was a recipient of a scholarship sponsored by the Tulalip tribe. I wanted to take the opportunity to offer my appreciation. As a member of the Navajo Nation, I understand the strides that indigenous nations are taking to support their students going into higher education. And as a student I can say that the financial support offered is by far one of the most helpful. With that, I would like to say thank you again to the highest degree.

If I were a donor I would like to get to know my students and their ambitions. Like I said earlier, I am a full blooded Navajo from New Mexico near the Four Corners area. My major that I'm proud to say is Physics and Mech. Engineering. Last semester I posted a 3.75 GPA but I want to say that that achievement wasn't plain hard work but just enthusiasm for the material! I definitely enjoy what I study. This semester I have a similar schedule but have added a few things to my plate. I have a work study job, and have earned a leadership position within my fraternity. I am also proud to say that I am a member of the Puget Sound football team and am excited for the opportunities that I am working tirelessly to seize. Within the football team, our coach believes in community involvement as a way to sculpt Men and teach morals. So last semester, as a team we held two community events and this semester are looking to have even more as well as individual involvement.

Looking into the future, I really am excited to see what I working for. I have a deep ambition to be an engineer for home area back home. The industry surrounds energy and fossil fuels. Growing up in this atmosphere of rough necks and generating stations has engraved a passion for mechanics in me. My initial plan is to return home and join my father's company as a field engineer. After getting my feet wet and applying my skills, I am wanting to pursue automobile performance and innovation. Most of my career ambitions are rooted from where I come from. Hopefully knowing that gives insight to who I am as well. What can I say, I'm from the 'Wild West'!

Again I express my utmost gratitude to the Tulalip tribes! I have seen during my time here the differences that our cultures hold. But what I really want to explore is our similarities. So hopefully there is an opportunity for me to exploit those interests! Thank you.

Best,  
Jacob Belin

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