



Funds Distribution Report

Recipient Organization:
Vashon Youth and Family Services

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Vashon, WA 98070

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Organization's General Goals:

Vashon Youth and Family Services fosters a thriving community of emotionally healthy and resilient children, youth, adults, and families. Services and programing include: child, youth, and family counseling, seniors counseling, Hispanic and Latinx support services, case management, substance use disorder assessment and treatment, homeless prevention, and emergency financial assistance.

Date of Award:	Level:
2019 Q3	\$500 to \$2,500

For more information, please read the attached report from Vashon Youth and Family Services.

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May 27, 2020

Marilyn Sheldon, Director
Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions
8802 27th Avenue NE
Tulalip, WA 98271-9694

Dear Marilyn,

With gratitude for the support the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions has provided over the years, I wanted to send a couple of updates about our agency, and Vashon Kids in particular.

First, I wanted to let you know that Vashon Youth and Family Services (VYFS) has a new Executive Director (ED). Our new ED, Jeni Johnson, started at the end of April. Jeni has 22 years of experience in non-profit education and family support services. She brings a wealth of knowledge that will help our organization continue to be a key resource for our island community. I will be coaching Jeni through the summer to ensure a smooth transition for her and the agency, then I plan to rejoin the Board of Directors in September.

I also wanted to update you on our Vashon Kids program, which you have so generously supported. Vashon Kids is Vashon's only out-of-school time program for children 5-12, and we are celebrating its 10-year anniversary this year! With the help of your support, we were able to offer scholarships for discounted tuition to 13 children from 11 families this year before the "Stay Home" quarantine took effect. Most of these scholarship recipients are from single-parent families, one of whom recently transitioned from being homeless. Five of the children require academic reading support, which happens at Vashon Kids in cooperation with elementary school teachers. Two of the children have behavioral challenges, and benefit from the social and emotional skill-building support emphasized by our program.



Vashon Kids always works closely with Vashon Island School District's elementary school teachers to promote children's academic, physical, and social-emotional growth, and supplement the skills they learn in school. Since Governor Inslee's "Stay Home" order in late March, we and the school staff have been offering a hybrid program - full-day care to children whose parents are doing "necessary work" as defined by Governor Inslee.

This time of quarantine has been highly stressful for many Vashon children and their families. Many families have struggled to provide academic support to their children, and are suffering financially.

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Like most Washingtonians, we are looking forward to the day the "Stay Home" order is lifted. When that happens, our first priority will be to reach out to low-income and vulnerable families and help their children get the academic, emotional, and social support they need through Vashon Kids.

Thank you once again for partnering with us in our mission to foster a thriving community of emotionally healthy and resilient children, youth, adults and families on Vashon.

Sincerely,

Carol Goertzel

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Carol Goertzel
Executive Director, retiring

*Thank you for your support!
-Jeni*

