

Tulalip Charitable Contributions Funds Distribution Report

NAME OF AGENCY: Village Theatre

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GENERAL GOALS: To be a regionally recognized and nationally influential center of excellence

in family theatre.

SPECIFIC USE FOR THIS AWARD:

This award was used as support for operational expenses and programs. For more information please see the attached report from Village Theatre.











ROBB HUNT Executive Producer

STEVE TOMKINS Artistic Director

August 31, 2017

Marilyn Sheldon Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund 8802 27th Ave NE Tulalip, WA 98271-9694

Dear Ms. Sheldon and the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund Board,

Thank you so much for your support of Village Theatre's Youth Education programs this year. We are truly grateful for the generosity of the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund, which enables us to do so much for the youth in our community.

We are pleased to report that funding from the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund helped Village Theatre to:

- Provide two free Sensory-Friendly Pied Piper performances for families of children with autism, or
 other special needs. The performances were held before an audience of over 350 attendees. We are
 excited to announce that we will be expanding the Pied Piper Sensory-Friendly program to three shows
 next season, which will match our traditional performance offerings for the general public.
- Produce its fifth year of free KIDSTAGE troupe performances for the community in the Wetmore Theatre Plaza at the Everett Performing Arts Center, which drew large, enthusiastic crowds. For so many families, seeing a free performance is the only way they can access live theatre, and Village Theatre is proud to be able to continue to offer this for our community. Between 150-250 young people and their families were in attendance at each of the six performances of *Aladdin* this summer.
- Welcome two Interns this summer as a result of the Bridge Partnerships Initiative, one in Everett and
 one in Issaquah, into our Arts Education Internship program. Each Intern was paid above minimum
 wage to participate in order to close the gap between upper/middle-class students who can afford to
 take a low-paying internship, and low-income students who cannot. The Bridge Partnerships Initiative
 is one of Village Theatre's racial equity and inclusion initiatives, and both Interns were young people
 of color.
- Award free and reduced tuition scholarships to 22% of our KIDSTAGE students who attend classes and summer camps at our Cope Gillette Theatre and Youth Education Center.

The Village Theatre Youth Education Staff continues to implement the strategies of the Youth Program Quality Initiative program, and incorporates the program into the training of new educators. In addition, the staff conducts ongoing assessments of program quality and student engagement.

Thank you. We are so grateful for the support of the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund, which allows Village Theatre to continue to provide our Youth Education programs for the young people and families in our community.

Sincerely,

Kati Nickerson

Director of Youth Education & Community Outreach

Frank Stilwagner Director of Development