# **Funds Distribution Report**



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# **Recipient Organization:** YMCA Walla Walla

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## **Organization's General Goals:**

The Walla Walla YMCA is dedicated to the values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility and committed to building a community where all people, especially the young, are encouraged to develop their fullest potential in spirit, mind and body.

Date of Award: Level:

2021 Q4 \$2,501 to \$5,000

For more information, please read the attached report from YMCA Walla Walla.





June 20, 2022

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

Re: Q4 2021 14.2

Dear Marilyn:

With the support of the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions, during the 2022 school year the YMCA was able to offer music lessons for 12 home school students and afterschool music production lessons for close to 40 middle and high school students through the Y-Tunes music program. The latter included classes ranging from voice and instrument instruction to learning about different emotions that sound evokes, to use of digital music production equipment by students to bridge social-emotional learning and augment math skills. Many of the students served were from the alternative high school that works with young people in the foster system or for whom standard school programming is a challenge.

Learning both individually and working in groups was a key facet of the program. Performance was encouraged as students learned to connect with others and work in teams to produce a project. For some students that team work was behind the scenes as they managed the sound equipment while others took the opportunity to perform a vocal or instrumental in front of an audience.

We partnered with 21<sup>st</sup> Century and Walla Walla Public Schools to engage more students in the afterschool program. The Walla Symphony also provided some equipment for use and we purchased other equipment and supplies for the program. A copy of the flyer sent home to parents is enclosed.

The desired outcome of the program was to help students improve both socially-emotionally and academically. We worked closely with educators to design the program for the various student groups and held open conversations throughout each multi-week program held for different schools and class sizes. Conversations around belonging and perceptions, feelings and experience were common as was an increased appreciation about rhythm and beat as a math skill. To keep the conversations open and flowing we elected not to use a formal survey but rather captured student feedback informally over the course of each session.

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Shown below (left) are a few of the students and instructor as they worked with digital music production equipment for a concert staged onsite at the Y where students wrote, produced and performed their own compositions. At right are some of the students who performed at a community event.





Thank you again for making this program possible. We look for ways to continue to bring music, math and social connections to youth in the communities we serve.

Sincerely,

Karen Hedine, CEO

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After-school transportation provided to the YMCA by 21<sup>ST</sup> Century CCLC.







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