

## Tulalip Charitable Contributions Funds Distribution Report

NAME OF AGENCY: YWCA of Pierce County

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GENERAL GOALS: YWCA is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and

promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all.

## SPECIFIC USE FOR THIS AWARD:

This award was used as support for operational expenses and programs.













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Sent: Wednesday, September 06, 2017 4:12 PM

To: 'msheldon@tulaliptribes-nsn.gov'

Subject: 042016 14.2 report from the YWCA Pierce County

Dear Marilyn Sheldon and members of the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions Committee:

Thank you so much for your support of our children and youth who have witnessed and experienced domestic violence in their homes. Our Children and Youth Program believes that it is of vital importance to provide traumatized children with sustained support in order to minimize the impact of trauma on development. This includes fostering relationships and maximizing each child's potential to thrive. The program is focused on early intervention with the goal of decreasing the likelihood that they enter in domestic violence relationships as adults. We do this through age appropriate programing for children and teens that have experienced domestic violence in their homes as well as outreach in schools about healthy relationships.

Your grant helped us serve the following numbers of program participants:

In the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the Children's Program served 230 children from 65 families. Our on-staff therapist provided 141 hours of support groups to 153 children. We offered 216 hours of curriculum-based activities for 105 children ages 0-5, 204 hours of curriculum-based activities to 88 children 6 and up, and 144 hours of curriculum-based activities to 32 youth ages 13-17. An additional 460 hours of respite care was provided to 60 children whose families were staying in our shelter. We also offered 10 field trips and 17 special events for families including a school supply giveaway, a visit from the reptile man, family game nights, holiday parties and bingo night.

The Children's Program uses outcome-based evaluation processes to monitor the program. Last fiscal year, we made a significant change to the way we monitor and report effectiveness in the Children's Program. We currently measure children's progress toward the outcome "improved relationships" using parent observation surveys. These surveys help us to understand how the Children's Program is impacting children outside the program as well as the progress staff observe during groups. Staff meets weekly to compile measurements and reports are completed twice yearly. In 2016-2017, 98% of parents reported that they "saw improvements in their child's ability to build relationships, 78 %

said they "saw improvement in their child's ability to get along with siblings or peers, and 67% said they saw "improvement in the child's ability to communicate feelings."

The best indicator of success is the parent's own words about how the program has impacted their family: "So far you guys have been great! My daughter always gets excited about going and is always exploding with happiness when I pick her up. She seems to be getting the socialization she needs and is working on sharing".

I am attaching photos of our children's program space as well as some art the children made in our program.

Thank you again for your support. We are so grateful for your dedication to community agencies. Together we help make WA state a wonderful place to call home.

If need additional information or would like to tour our facilities in Tacoma, please let me know.

Miriam

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YWCA Pierce County is required to adhere to all applicable laws regarding the provision of services to domestic violence victims, which includes confidentiality and privileged communication (40002b2.U.S.C.13925b2; WAC 388-61A; RCW 5.60.060). Therefore, we are unable to disclose any information about any person seeking or receiving services in our programs without their legal release of information. If you are inquiring about a specific person who you believe to be receiving services here, we cannot confirm or deny any knowledge of that person. YWCA is a mandated reporter of any neglect or abuse of children or vulnerable