

TRIBAL PROGRAM NEWS

Siletz Charitable Fund Distributes \$125,000

The Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund made another round of distributions on Feb. 2 and the seven-member advisory board has distributed more than \$2.9 million since its inception in 2001.

Thirty-one organizations shared \$125,026.10 in contributions when checks were presented at Chinook Winds Casino Resort in Lincoln City, Ore. This includes \$21,262 for South Puget Sound Community College to analyze more than 7,800 ancient wood and fiber artifacts discovered on Sauvie Island near Portland, Ore.; \$20,000 for the University of Oregon School of Law/UofO Foundation for the Oregon Tribes Professorship to boost scholarship, research, public service, and academic offerings in Indian law; \$12,000 for the Seal Rock Fire District to purchase a Zoll M-Series heart monitor; and \$12,000 for the Coastal Communities Cultural Center to help restore the east entrance of the former DeLake Elementary School building.

The Siletz Tribe is proud of its contributions through employment, monetary donations, and cooperative measures to the Siletz community, Lincoln County, and the state of Oregon. The tribe has honored its tradition of sharing within the community by distributing more than \$5.1 million through the Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund and other tribal resources. Chinook Winds has donated more than \$1.25 million in cash and fund-raising items since it opened in 1995. The casino also provides in-kind donations of convention space for various fund-raisers as well as technical support, advertising, and manpower for many events.

Eligibility for money from the Charitable Contribution Fund is limited to two categories:

- Entities and activities located in the Siletz Tribe's 11-county service area (Lincoln, Tillamook, Linn, Lane, Benton, Polk, Yamhill, Marion, Multnomah, Washington, and Clackamas counties)
- Native American entities and activities located anywhere in the United States

The next deadline to submit applications is March 16, 2007. Applications and requirements can be obtained at www.ctsi.nsn.us/Charitable_Contributions.html; from Kelley Ellis at 1-800-922-1399, ext. 1227, or 541-444-8227; or by mail at Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

Arts – \$4,975

Cascade Head Music Festival – help fund free “Encounter” sessions	Lincoln City, OR	\$2,500
Lincoln Co. School District – printing of county-wide 100-page student literary review of prose and poetry	Newport, OR	\$2,000
Taft Elementary School, After-School Art Club – art supplies for a variety of art media	Lincoln City, OR	\$475

Cultural Activities – \$13,500

Coastal Communities Cultural Center – help restore east entrance of the former Delake Elementary School	Lincoln City, OR	\$12,000
Salem-Keizer Public Schools, Migrant Education Program – help 150 students attend the Cesar Chavez Leadership Conference	Salem, OR	\$1,500

Education – \$41,742.10

Lincoln Co. Scholastic Chess Club – equipment, supplies, club shirts, and scholarships	Waldport, OR	\$2,439
Lincoln Co. Indian Education Parent Committee – support for 2007 Oregon Indian Education Association Youth Conference	Lincoln City, OR	\$4,500
Newport High School – 60 copies of Reading Lolita in Tehran by Azar Nafisi for global studies course on the Middle East	Newport, OR	\$420
Oceanlake Elem. School – six Zire-71 Palm Pilots and 2 portable keyboards for watershed field studies with Mid-Coast Watershed Council	Lincoln City, OR	\$850
Salem Heights Elem. School, Parent/Teacher Club – help with expenses for a 3-day Outdoor School on Oregon Coast for deaf and hard-of-hearing kids	Salem, OR	\$2,000
Salem Keizer Public Schools, Migrant Education Program – assist with meal and transportation costs for families to attend parent education classes	Salem, OR	\$1,500
Siletz Valley Friends of the Library – liability insurance for members during fund-raising activities	Siletz, OR	\$750
Siletz Watershed Council – printing and distribution of 5,000 copies of river etiquette guide during the next 2 years	Toledo, OR	\$1,158
Springfield School District 19, Indian Education Program – two laptops and software to help improve reading and math skills	Springfield, OR	\$1,815
St. Joseph Shelter – remedial reading/math programs, school supplies, and school clothes	Mt. Angel, OR	\$3,500
University of Oregon Law School/UofO Foundation – Oregon Tribes Professorship to boost scholarship, research, public service, and academic offerings in Indian law	Eugene, OR	\$20,000
Yaquina View Elementary School – replace/install new “grand drape” in the auditorium	Newport, OR	\$2,495
Yaquina View Elementary School – science specimen sets to support use of a donated video microscope that connects to a TV or VCR	Newport, OR	\$315.10

Environment & Natural Resources – \$5,000

Cart’M Recycling – help purchase material-handling equipment, including a bale stacker	Manzanita, OR	\$5,000
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Health – \$18,297

Lincoln Community Health Center/School-Based Health Centers – help sustain work of Youth Advisory Councils	Newport, OR	\$2,690
Lincoln Co. Breastfeeding Coalition – assist in distribution of announcements to promote August 2007 art event to increase awareness	South Beach, OR	\$665
Lincoln Co. Diabetes Education and Prevention Coalition – assist with supplies and food for Meals Made Easy classes	Depoe Bay, OR	\$2,442
Lincoln Co. Food Share – assist with purchasing quality food to distribute from the Lincoln City Food Pantry	Newport, OR	\$2,500
Shangri La of Lincoln Co. – assist with purchase of a 7-passenger van	South Beach, OR	\$6,000
Yachats Community Health Clinic – continue to provide no-cost and/or low-cost services to uninsured patients	Yachats, OR	\$4,000

Historic Preservation – \$22,262

Alsi Historical and Genealogical Society – laptop computer and software for an electronic inventory and other projects	Waldport, OR	\$1,000
South Puget Sound Community College – analyze materials - baskets, capes, wooden wedges, etc. - collected at sunken village site on Sauvie Island	Olympia, WA	\$21,262

Prevention – \$4,500

Senior Parent GPF Assoc. – assist with drug- and alcohol-free all-night graduation party for Taft HS seniors	Lincoln City, OR	\$1,000
Toledo High School Grad Committee – help with decorations, souvenirs, and party favors at drug- and alcohol-free all-night graduation party	Toledo, OR	\$1,000
Wilson High School PTA Grad Night Celebration – assist with drug-, alcohol-, tobacco-, and weapon-free all-night graduation party	Portland, OR	\$1,000
Youth Services Team, Lincoln City – assist with appropriate extra-curricular activities to increase positive behavior for high-risk children	Lincoln City, OR	\$1,500

Public Safety – \$14,750

Seal Rock Fire District – Zoll M-Series heart monitor, compatible to equipment of Central Oregon Coast Ambulance and Pacific West Ambulance	Seal Rock, OR	\$12,000
Toledo Fire Rescue Assoc. – books and learning aids for annual first responders class offered to community at no cost	Toledo, OR	\$2,750

TOTAL **\$125,026.10**