

Tribe continues tradition of giving with charitable grants

The Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund distributed \$78,047.86 to 37 organizations in February as it continued its quarterly donations to nonprofit groups.

The Siletz Tribe has made contributions through employment, monetary donations and cooperative measures to the Siletz community, Lincoln County and the state of Oregon. The seven-member charitable fund advisory board has distributed more than \$8.4 million since its inception in 2001.

Overall, the Tribe has honored its tradition of sharing within the community by distributing more than \$10.8 million

through the charitable fund and other Tribal resources.

Chinook Winds has donated nearly \$2.3 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.

The next deadline to submit applications is March 12, 2014. Eligibility for money from the charitable 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

Applications and requirements can be obtained at ctsi.nsn.us/charitable-contribution-fund; by calling Rosie Williams at 800-922-1399, ext. 1227, or 541-444-8227; or by mailing Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

Applications can be submitted via e-mail at stccf@live.com.

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Arts – \$5,000		
Oregon Coast Council for the Arts – enhanced acoustic system	Newport, OR	\$2,500
The Museum at Warm Springs – arts and other supplies, food, marketing, instructor and dance performance	Warm Springs, OR	\$2,500
Cultural Activities – \$1,400		
ANPO Mt. Hood Sundance Community – port-a-potty rental for Sundance	Portland, OR	\$1,400
Education – \$17,228.04		
Cedar Creek Child Care Center & Preschool – yard excavation, soil, fertilizer, materials for raised beds, garden tools and shed upgrades	Cloverdale, OR	\$2,000
Five Oaks Middle School – science supplies and equipment	Beaverton, OR	\$1,550
Lettuce Grow Garden Foundation – seed mats	Portland, OR	\$1,210
Lincoln County Foundation – scholarship for one student	Newport, OR	\$1,000
Neskowin Valley School – swim lessons, life jackets and archery equipment	Neskowin, OR	\$1,007.04
Portland Public Schools, Title VII Indian Education Act Program – Pendleton blanket fabric	Portland, OR	\$1,200
Salem-Keizer Public Schools – food and supplies for the Eagle Feather Graduation Celebration	Salem, OR	\$1,325
Siletz Valley Friends of the Library – liability insurance	Siletz, OR	\$800
Tillamook Bay Child Care Center – vinyl, baseboard and new underlay in preschool room	Tillamook, OR	\$5,000
Waldport High School – ROV kits, supplies and materials for regional MATE competition	Waldport, OR	\$2,136
Health – \$34,001.98		
Altrusa International of Yaquina Bay – hygiene items, shoe vouchers, clothing, jackets, hats and gloves	Newport, OR	\$3,000
American Cancer Society – supplies, materials and food for Newport/Lincoln County Relay For Life	Eugene, OR	\$2,000
Buell Grange – refrigerator/freezer	Sheridan, OR	\$1,319.98
Canyon Gleaners – food	Mill City, OR	\$1,000
Community Presbyterian Church – electrical phase II for community kitchen	Waldport, OR	\$4,800
Fair Share Gleaners – food	Sweet Home, OR	\$2,000
Human Solutions Inc. – food	Portland, OR	\$1,500
Lebanon Gleaners – food	Lebanon, OR	\$2,000
Linn County Child Victim Assessment Center – wall-mounted smart TV, streaming media player and software	Albany, OR	\$882
Mario Pastega House – room rentals for patients and families	Corvallis, OR	\$5,000
Mary’s River Gleaners – food	Corvallis, OR	2,000
Mid-Valley Gleaners – food	Albany, OR	\$1,700
Newport Lions Club – school and public health screenings	Newport, OR	\$800
Oregon Department of Veterans Affairs – food	Salem, OR	\$2,000
Sharing Hands Inc. – food	Brownsville, OR	\$3,000
Siletz Community Food Program – liability insurance	Siletz, OR	\$1,000
Historical Preservation – \$6,250		
Benton County Natural Areas and Parks Department – contractor restoration work	Corvallis, OR	\$6,250
Prevention – \$1,500		
Newport High School Grad Night – senior alcohol- and drug-free event	Newport, OR	\$500
North Salem High School Grad Night – senior alcohol- and drug-free event	Salem, OR	\$500
Toledo High School Grad Night – senior alcohol- and drug-free event	Toledo, OR	\$500
Public Safety – \$12,667.84		
Mt. Hood Search and Rescue Council – student fees for “man tracking” training	Oregon City, OR	\$1,800
Salem Police Association Honor Guard – full outfits and equipment for police honor guards	Salem, OR	\$2,167.84
Siletz Valley Fire District – fencing material and installation, electrical service, lighting and ventilation	Siletz, OR	\$4,000
Yamhill Fire Protection District – AEDs (automated external defibrillator) and trainer	Yamhill, OR	\$4,700
TOTAL		\$78,047.86

Professional development workshop available for Native artists

VANCOUVER, Wash. – Native artists are encouraged to attend a free professional development workshop for practicing Native artists in Grand Ronde, Ore., on March 15.

The workshop expands the series of arts marketing workshops offered throughout the region this winter by the Native Arts and Cultures Foundation (NACF) for American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian artists.

Previous workshops in Portland, Ore.; Olympia, Wash.; and on the Warm Springs reservation were well-attended. The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde’s USDA Rural Business Enterprise Grant will extend this training to their rural community.

“The workshop held on the Confederated Tribes of Grande Ronde reservation is a collaborative effort,” said T. Lulani Arquette, president/CEO of NACF, a national nonprofit based in Vancouver. “We appreciate the support of the Confederated Tribes and the Rural Business Enterprise Grants Program to extend the reach of this opportunity.”

Artists who attend will build skills in writing artist statements, pricing, strategies for breaking into the art market, website development and social media marketing.

Designed for artists in traditional arts, such as carving, beadworking, basketweaving and regalia making, and visual arts, the one-day workshop will be led by regional Native artists with arts marketing expertise.

Registration is required and space is limited. To register, contact Lisa J. Watt at 503-892-6560 or register online at tinyurl.com/lee88ud.

The free workshop is funded by the USDA Rural Business Enterprise Grants Program, Spirit Mountain Community Fund, Grand Ronde’s Chachalu Tribal Museum and Cultural Center, and the Native Arts and Cultures Foundation.

About the Native Arts and Cultures Foundation

The Native Arts and Cultures Foundation (NACF) promotes the appreciation and perpetuation of American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian arts and cultures through philanthropy. With the support of Native Nations, arts patrons and foundation partners, NACF has supported 85 Native artists and organizations in 22 states.

To learn more, please visit nativeartsandcultures.org.