



Funds Distribution Report

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Grays Harbor Youth Works

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Organization's General Goals:
Our mission is to provide career connected learning opportunities to build rewarding and prosperous futures. We envision a community that empowers youth in their career choice.

Date of Award:	Level:
2022 Q4	\$500 to \$2,500

For more information, please read the attached report from Grays Harbor Youth Works.

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The funding received was for the project period of January 1, 2023, to June 30, 2023, in the amount of



The number of youths that were impacted by Grays Harbor Youth Works (GHYW) is extremely exciting for this program year. At the time of this grant request, we had 34 students enrolled in a career connected learning internship. Another ten students enrolled. The students that participated were from Lake Quinault School District, Hoquiam High School, Aberdeen High School, Harbor High Learning, North Beach School District, Ocosta High School and homeschool. Completed internship hours were 961.

Two of the Lake Quinault interns were invited to be on our board of directors, Charles Gumecindo, and Stephanie Venegas. Charles was voted to be our Treasurer this month, as he is pursuing an accounting degree and excelled in his academics, ASB office, and athletics. The executive director will be assisting him.

The Careers in Natural Resources (CNR) with Rayonier was successful this year. We coordinated communication between Rayonier and the school districts that were involved which are: Wishkah Valley School District, Lake Quinault School District, North Beach School District, Aberdeen High School, and

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Harbor High Learning center joined. The capacity to provide hands-on experience on each excursion is limited to 25 students. Rayonier was not definite about continuing these excursions, but after a scholarship award, from Weyerhaeuser via GHYW, to a student who attended these excursions and enrolled in Grays Harbor College's Forestry Management program, and GHYW providing a video of this year's excursions, they have decided to continue. Weyerhaeuser has also agreed to assist this coming year, along with the Grays Harbor Conservation District. This development was the result of the executive director and program assistant's communication and marketing.

The Arc of Grays Harbor, DVR, and GHYW program for this year had five students that qualified with a documented disability. We are continuing to enroll such students to provide 40 to 80 hours of work experience throughout the summer. One student, from North Beach, was placed at Days Inn in the laundry department. He did have a job coach, but upon successful completion of his 80 hours, he has been offered employment. He graduated this year at age 21.

Another Arc student from Aberdeen High School, who has a physical disability and uses a wheelchair, has completed 110 hours at the YMCA as a receptionist. The YMCA stated they will hire her later this year.

WAqua Youth Works (A project in STEM) for ages 10 and older, had 12 students participate throughout the county. This year we have five females in the program. This was the last year it was funded through the Capital Stem Alliance.

Career Pathway Day will return in March 2024.

Wrenching Youth Works is still in the development process. Although we had one business mentor five youths for internships. Two students have continued their education in automotive at Grays Harbor College, one who is tribal and experiencing homelessness and the other is Latino/Hispanic. Another student is in the CTE automotive program at the Twin Skills Center in Aberdeen and was chosen by Five Star Dealerships to be in their training program. We still have three more youths waiting for placement at an automotive business.

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In May we had our 10th year celebration event at the Aberdeen Log Pavilion. We had 155 attendees, past interns from 2013 to 2021, (spoke on how their internship experience put them on their career path) current interns, family, the new Grays Harbor College President was the main speaker, business mentors, funders, community partners, and our board of directors. Special attendance by Dr. Doreen Cato, founder, and past Executive Director.

The year end presentation sums up this years impact on the youth of Grays Harbor County. Thank you for supporting GHYW!

Completed by: Cheryl R. Brown, Executive Director, July 18, 2023

GHYW Year End Presentation:

https://ghyouthworks-my.sharepoint.com/personal/cbrown_ghyw_org/Documents/2023/GHYW/Year%20End/YE%20Presentation/2023%20year%20end%20on%20a%20loop.mp4

Photos:

https://ghyouthworks-my.sharepoint.com/personal/cbrown_ghyw_org/Documents/2023/Grants/Tulalip/Photos

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