# **Funds Distribution Report**



## **Mercy Housing Northwest**

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

Mercy Housing is one of the nation's largest affordable housing organizations. We participate in the development, preservation, management and/or financing of affordable, program-enriched housing across the country. We acquire and renovate existing housing, as well as develop new affordable rental properties.

Date of Award: Level:

2023 Q4 \$2,501 to \$5,000

For more information, please read the attached report from Mercy Housing Northwest.



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Mercy Housing Northwest

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Thank you again so much for the Tulalip Tribe Charitable Fund's grant award of to support Mercy Housing Northwest's Service-Enriched Housing to low-income seniors and disabled adults at two affordable housing communities in Snohomish County. To date, we have served a total of 298 (out of a total of 628) residents with 4,258 points of service.

#### **Evaluation and Past Results**

MHNW tracks two main outcomes for the Service-Enriched Housing program and we are pleased to report on our progress in the past twelve months:

MHNW anticipates achieving the following outcomes over the coming 12 months:

- 1. Families avoid homelessness.
  - Indicator: 90% of households maintain stable housing for 12 months
  - Results: 100% of households have maintained stable housing for 24 months or more
- 2. Families improve their access to support services.
  - Indicator: 60% of residents participate in on-site programming
  - Results: 48% of residents participated in on-site programming

Since April 2024, the program has served 298 individuals at Family Tree and Lincoln Way in Snohomish County. The program has continued to be successful in helping residents access services. Residents have accessed a total of 4,258 services. This number is a bit low, due in part to staff transition of one of the Resident Service Coordinators. We have hired a replacement and we believe these totals will continue to grow as this new staff gains momentum in their role and building relationships with the residents.

## Highlights:

Lincoln Way had a busy summer. With support from the community and our residents, we were able to run Kidz Camp, a 3 day a week afternoon activity block that ran July through August. The kids played tons of games, made crafts, learned about nature, and grew emotionally. This was a special opportunity to bring a camp experience to kids who might not otherwise get the chance. And we had so much fun!

A grant from the Tulalip Tribe helped us offer high-quality, culturally-responsive services to address the full range of child, youth, and family needs:

- Help families acquire the knowledge and skills to be self-sufficient: RSCs help families retain their housing by staying a good renter. Because over half of families at Lincoln Way are immigrants from the Ukraine, Russia or other Eastern European countries, Homework Club concentrates on helping children build their basic literacy and language arts skills. In addition to Homework Club, Family Tree and Lincoln Way also offer many programs specifically targeting middle and high school youth including leadership development, organized community service projects, a nutritious snack, and social events. The community also has health and wellness programming which has helped engage residents in actively participating in their own health and making healthy choices and celebrating healthy lifestyles;
- Involve families and residents in program design, development and management: We do this by using resident survey data to shape our programs. Resident and youth voice is a key part of using the Youth Program Quality Assessment at Lincoln Way to gain feedback to improve programming. We also know residents support a program by "voting with their feet" through their participation. We monitor participation closely and if a program is not getting active participation, we seek out feedback as to how to make it more engaging and relevant.

#### **Community Partnerships**

We continue to partner with many local community organizations to bring quality services to our residents, including:

- Amerigroup, Coordinated Care, United Healthcare, Community Health Plan of WA, Molina—presentations on medical coverage
- Red Cross—emergency preparedness
- SeaMar—community health education
- Department of Health—smoking prevention programs
- Norco--medical equipment specialist
- Voices in Power—LGBTQ resources

- Volunteers of America--presentations on community resources
- ResCare, Right at Home, Catholic Community Services—caregiving resources
- Priority Footwear—diabetic footwear fitting
- Evergreen Beauty College—haircuts and manicures for residents
- Sno-Isle Libraries—bookmobile
- WSU Extension—Food \$ense cooking demonstrations
- Salt of the Earth Foodbank/Food Lifeline: healthy food delivery
- Verdant: Coupons for fruits and vegetables for EBT participants
- Humana: Monthly health education programming

Thank you again for your continued support!







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