Funds Distribution Report

Recipient Organization: Sawhorse Revolution

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Organization's General Goals:

Our mission is to foster confident, community-oriented youth through the power of carpentry and craft. Sawhorse Revolution strives to see, acknowledge and identify the intersections of individual, cultural, and institutional racism and social injustice. We are inspired to create equitable change within a framework of "feet-on-the-ground" education, empowerment, and leadership, in and for our community.

Date of Award: Level:

2021 Q4 \$2,501 to \$5,000

For more information, please read the attached report from Sawhorse Revolution.



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Tulalip Cares Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund 8802 27th Avenue NE Tulalip, WA 98271

Dear Tulalip Cares,

I'm writing to extend my deepest gratitude for the Community Impact Funds that Sawhorse Revolution was fortunate to receive from the Tulalip Cares organization. Your generosity has helped support our programming and youth, especially our Wunderbar Tiny Home build.

Our Wunderbar Tiny Home was designed by students in 2019, but due to the COVID-19 pandemic the construction of the tiny home was delayed several years and was completed in spring of 2022. Students envisioned a low-cost, high-end dwelling that combined maximum functionality within a small footprint. For the first time, our students took the reigns in budgeting and allocating funds for their project and used resources like Second Use Building Materials to find clever solutions for their construction needs. Sawhorse partnered with Seattle Public Schools Interagency Southwest School, in the Columbia City neighborhood. Eight students from Interagency's Building Trades Program participated in our program. Additionally, and for the first time in our programs, students in the Wunderbar build were also able to gain high school credit for their participation. This crew installed roofing, siding, windows, a door, insulation, interior sheathing and a bunk bed, most of which were sourced from donated or recycled materials, including copper shingles for siding and recycled bamboo flooring.

As the build got underway students were taught tool safety, how to operate various power tools and how to learn through mistakes. Sometimes wood was cut too short, or measurements were slightly askew, however students were encouraged to not reminisce on the error. Instead, they focused on how to get their task back on track, while every measurement might not be perfect, at the end of the process their structure would be stable and beautiful. During all of our programs students are encouraged to think outside the box and to challenge themselves, all while being supported by Sawhorse staff and mentors.

Luis, one of the students who took part in the build, challenged himself by working on his fear of heights. When the question was posed if there was anyone interested in working on the roof, while this was met with some hesitation, a Sawhorse staff member who had built rapport with Luis asked if they'd be willing to work on the roof together. Safety protocol was discussed, and the pair started working on the roof. As time passed, comfort and confidence grew. There was even a bit of friendly competition to see who could sink a line of nails the quickest. Luis became our go-to student when working on the roof, and with his participation in our program, he gained enough credits to graduate.

By the end of the ten weeks, students had brought the design to life. Parents, loved ones and community members came together to celebrate the students' and mentors' hard work. During the celebration, each student spoke about an aspect of the build, how they navigated through difficult moments and overall, their experience building a tiny home. The Wunderbar Tiny Home was delivered to the Low Income Housing Institute's Tiny House Village a few months later in July, 2022.

Your generous support helped our Wunderbar Tiny Home build come to fruition. Your investment has empowered our students to not only learn and practice new skills, it's also helped them make a difference in their communities by working towards addressing the houseless crisis many face in our region. As we look to the future, we are committed to maximizing the impact of your support and continuing our efforts to introduce students to design/architecture and carpentry. Thank you once again for your financial support towards the Wunderbar Tiny Home, and we look forward to sharing more successes with you in the future.

Sincerely, Daisy Lemus





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