



# Funds Distribution Report

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**Sound Pathways**

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**Organization's General Goals:**  
Sound Pathways serves as a beacon of hope and healing for at-risk individuals and families facing challenges related to alcohol, substance use, and mental health in Snohomish County.

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<b>Date of Award:</b>	<b>Level:</b>
2022 Q4	\$7,501 to \$10,000

For more information, please read the attached report from Sound Pathways.

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# Sound Pathways

**Emergency Shelter to Educate and Empower Mothers  
+ Emergency Homeless Support  
FINAL REPORT**

Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contribution  
**Q4 2022 14.2**

**SUMMARY:**

Sound Pathways managed the ESTEEM shelter since 2019, housing women in recovery and their children. The shelter served about 16 families annually, who could stay up to 90 days. However, due to financial constraints exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic and rising costs of living, the Sound Pathways Board of Directors made the difficult decision to close the shelter effective January 31, 2023. Subsequently, efforts were made to secure additional funding to support families transitioning from the shelter and other homeless families in need of emergency housing and support.

**ACTIONS TAKEN:**

After the decision was made to close the ESTEEM program, Sound Pathways contacted Tulalip to amend the initial funding request. With the generous support of Tulalip Tribes, funding was allocated to assist with final months' rent and utilities for the shelter property and to support families in need of emergency shelter, care, and stability.

**OUTCOMES:**

The Tulalip Grant Award facilitated various forms of assistance, including motel vouchers for up to two weeks per household for households in need of immediate shelter, rental arrears to prevent evictions, rental application fees, rental deposits for securing new housing, and provision of basic essential needs items for homeless families until they could secure stable housing. This support provided hope and stability to homeless families in dire need.

**IMPACT IN THE COMMUNITY 2023:**

- Permanent affordable housing was secured for over 95 families.
- Rental assistance was provided to over 40 families, preventing eviction, and ensuring housing stability.
- Over 25 households received up to 2 weeks of motel shelter as they awaited more stable housing.
- Basic needs, support and care were extended to more than 250 individuals as they embarked on their journey toward stability.

**CONTINUED IMPACT:**

Since ESTEEM closed, Sound Pathways has successfully secured emergency shelter and permanent supportive housing funding streams, benefiting all agency clientele. The support received, including the grant award from Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions Fund, has enabled hundreds of households, including men, women, and children, to combat chronic homelessness and attain secure housing while focusing on recovery and rebuilding their lives.

We extend our deepest gratitude to Tulalip Tribes for their invaluable support, which has made a significant difference in the lives of those facing homelessness and seeking a path towards stability and recovery.

Sincerely,

**Maureen Hammer**

Grants Manager



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## FROM HOMELESSNESS TO HOPE: A MOTHER'S JOURNEY

Meet Sarah and her young child, who, not long ago, were trapped in the cycle of long-term homelessness. Your generosity and Sound Pathways' programs enabled them to break free from this cycle and find sustainable housing. Sarah's story is a testament to the transformational power of affordable housing and the support of our community.



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250+ individuals were supported with basic needs as they embarked on their journey toward stability.