



Funds Distribution Report

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Vision House

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Organization's General Goals:
To follow Jesus in working with the poor and homeless to promote positive transformation of their lives.

Date of Award:	Level:
2022 Q4	\$2,501 to \$5,000

For more information, please read the attached report from Vision House.

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July 26, 2023

Ms. Marilyn Sheldon
Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions
8802 27th Avenue NE
Tulalip, WA 98271

Report Code: Q4 2022 14.2

Dear Ms. Sheldon,

Vision House is grateful for the continued recognition and financial support Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions have shown for our organization and the work we do in the community. We could not serve as many families, youth and children who are experiencing homelessness without your support.

Our mission continues to be working with marginalized families experiencing homelessness to promote positive transformation in the lives of each family member. Your support assists us as we continue to make a difference in the greater community. With the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions being such a valued investor in the work we are doing to help families in crisis, we wanted to provide some information to you about our last year.

Our most recent significant accomplishments include the hiring of a seasoned Program Director and the addition of a second Diversion Center in South King County! The addition of Stacy Cleveland as Program Director in 2022 has been crucial to our trajectory of growth in multiple ways. With a background in program growth and development, Stacy was able to identify, in a short time, the gaps in our program with an eye towards consistency and accountability which has led to significant program accomplishments:

- Evaluation and improved standards for program compliance including length of program stay, recovery expectations, and job readiness.
- Hire of two behavioral health specialists to support the mental health needs of residents.
- Upgrade of resident tracking database to Apricot 360 with more robust reporting of efforts to outcomes.
- Strengthened delineation and partnership with our Transitions team to provide clear and consistent entry to and exit from our housing program as well as a path to supported alumni services.

The support we received from the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions assisted us in the work we are doing with children, youth and families experiencing homelessness. Some of our successes in the past year include:

- Youth and children are benefitting from onsite counseling. Licensed counselors are working with parents, children, and families as a whole around healthy parenting.
- Advocates have put together a “toolbox” of books, videos and activities to support the social and emotional growth of parents, children and families as a whole. One example is NaNoWriMo writing which allows kids to express themselves and explore their past trauma through writing.
- Advocates are supporting families by providing healthy communication and conflict skills for kids to be their own advocates in the family system.

Vision House is confident in the work we have been providing for over 32 years as we strive to end family homelessness in our community. We have a historical 92% success rate of families transitioning from homelessness to permanent housing. Our approach works as it is highly relational providing access for support for immediate needs. We have also developed a network of 12 - 15 partner organizations as we work together to house families successfully. Examples of the work we completed last year include:

- **183 family members were served with temporary, transitional housing and services in 2022**
- **18 out of 23 families who left in 2022 moved to stable housing.**
- **Within our diversion program, 751 families** served received housing stability services; referrals to permanent housing; support for legal, educational or employment needs; counseling and recovery referrals.
- From the diversion program, **50 families** moved directly to permanent housing in 2022.
- We anticipate serving 725+ in 2023 with the opening of a third diversion center later in the year.
- All individuals in our housing program are at-risk, homeless, and living below the poverty line as set by Department of Housing and Urban Development.

As we continue to grow, the need for funding and outreach grows. Our goals for last year included growth in donor acquisition of individuals, businesses, and churches to increase giving, but also corporate event sponsorships, church presentations and volunteer engagement. We are pleased to say that Bob Bowen was hired at the beginning of this year to serve as Major Gifts Officer.

We are thankful for the support you have given Vision House in the past and look forward to continuing our partnership. We look forward to applying for funding in 2023. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me at melissag@visionhouse.org, via telephone at 425-228-6356, or visit our website at www.visionhouse.org.

Sincerely,



Melissa Gehrig
Executive Director

