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Nisqually Tribe now accepting applications for 2023 funding for local non-profit organizations

Olympia, Wash. – Each year, the Nisqually Tribe awards funds to local Washington area non-profits as part of its Charitable and Local Government Program. The funds used are a portion of gaming revenues generated by the Nisqually Red Wind Casino, the tribes Gaming Enterprise. The program encourages and supports the work that these local non-profits are doing and reinforces the tribes commitment to giving back to the local community.

Over the past 5 years, the tribes Charitable and Local Government Program has awarded more than \$10M in vital funding to local area non-profit organizations.

To qualify for funding, the organization must be registered as a 501 (c)(3) tax exempt status with the Internal Revenue Service. Grant funds must also be used for a specific project that aids and satisfies a community need. While applications are accepted for organizations throughout Washington State, the local Thurston County Area remains high priority, and any remaining funds are then considered for allocation outside of the Thurston County area.

Non-profit organizations interested in applying for funds may download the application packet on the tribes website <u>www.nisqually-nsn.gov</u> and clicking on the "Charitable Funds" box. You may also receive more information by emailing: <u>Charitables@nisqually-nsn.gov</u> or by calling Nicole Sims, Nisqually Indian Tribe, (360) 456-5221 ext. 1309.



Scan QR Code for application packet:

Applications are due by September 29, 2023.

About the Nisqually Indian Tribe

The Nisqually Indian Tribe is located along the Nisqually River in rural Thurston County, just east of Olympia, WA, and is made up of more than 800 enrolled members. Each year, the Tribe sets aside a portion of its revenues to award funding that is vital for the operations of local area non-profit organizations, through their Charitable and Local Government Program, demonstrating the tribe's important role in helping to support the community. For More Information about the Nisqually Indian Tribe, visit <u>www.nisqually-nsn.gov.</u>

About the Medicine Creek Enterprise Corporation

The Medicine Creek Enterprise Corporation (MCEC) is a board lead organization responsible for managing the business affairs for the Tribe's business enterprises, whose vision is to create a strong and sustainable economy for the Nisqually Indian Tribe. Business enterprises include Nisqually Construction Services, Nisqually Markets, Nisqually Post and Print, Medicine Creek Café, Nisqually Communication Services and the Nisqually Red Wind Casino. For more information about the Medicine Creek Enterprise Corporation (MCEC), visit www.mc-ec.org

About the Nisqually Red Wind Casino

The Nisqually Red Wind Casino has become the South Sound's go-to spot for dining and gaming entertainment. Boasting an expansive 46,000 square foot gaming floor, the casino offers more than 1,670 slot machines, Keno, and a plethora of table games including Blackjack, Pai Gow, Roulette, Baccarat, High Card Flush, Ultimate Texas Hold'em, Players Edge 21 and Craps with 10x odds. There are also multiple dining venues from fast casual to fine dining, including the Medicine Creek Deli, Pealo's Bar, and the River Water Bar and Grille.

The casino offers more than just exciting and state-of-the-industry gaming and dining – it offers community. The casino's design, accents, and hospitality all seek to incorporate the local tribal presence. Built to resemble a traditional native longhouse, the Nisqually Red Wind Casino itself pays homage to its namesake. To learn more about Nisqually Red Wind Casino, visit <u>www.redwindcasino.com</u>.