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THE GRAND TRAVERSE BAND ANNOUNCES \$601,770 IN LOCAL 2% FUNDS
Organizations Receive Funds via Tribe's Twice Per Year 2 Percent Allocation

PESHAWBESTOWN, MICHIGAN, JULY 14, 2023 -- The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians is pleased to announce the distribution of \$601,770 of gaming revenue allocation to local units of government. The dollars have been allocated for 31 local applicants as part of the Tribe's "2 percent allocation," which takes place twice per year.

Under the terms of a consent decree settling *Tribes v. Engler* (Case no. 1:90-CV-611, U.S. District Court, Western District Michigan), the Grand Traverse Band allocates 2 percent of its video gaming revenue to local units of government, as defined in the stipulation, no later than 60 days after October 1st and March 31st of each year. This payment schedule was modified with the consent of the State of Michigan to July 31st and January 31st of each year because the fiscal year of the Grand Traverse Band's gaming operation is calendar-based.

Since the 2 percent allocation began in 1994, the Grand Traverse Band has allocated **\$45,510,422.77** to local organizations.

"The test for determining the distribution standards, as outlined in *Tribes v. Engler* are: "Each tribe shall determine which local unit or units of government shall receive payments and the amounts thereof; provided however, the guidelines governing the tribes in making said determinations shall be based upon compensating said local units of government for governmental services provided to the tribes and for impacts associated with the existence and location of the tribal casino in its vicinity; and provided further, however...each local unit of government shall receive no less than an amount equivalent to its share of ad valorem property taxes..."

For this 2% cycle, the Tribal Council voted to determine which organizations would receive allocations. Of the 56 applications received, totaling \$2,164,339.60 in requests, the Tribal Council awarded 31 applicants for a total of \$601,770.

The Grand Traverse Band will make its decision regarding the second-half 2023 Two Percent allocation in January 2024.

It is with great pleasure that the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians is able to provide all citizens of Northern Michigan with these services that are furnished solely by gaming revenues.

First-Half 2023 2% Distribution

2% RECIPIENT	AMOUNT
<p><u>Gov't to Gov't Agreement - Benzie County</u></p> <p>Prisoner Housing Contract.</p>	<p>\$ 19,162.50</p>
<p><u>Gov't to Gov't Agreement - Charlevoix County</u></p> <p>Prisoner Housing Contract.</p>	<p>\$ 12,775.00</p>
<p><u>Boyne City Public Schools</u></p> <p>Funding for the schools Boyne Area Title VI Educational Consortium and costs associated with cultural purposes, college readiness assistance and to help offset transportation and other costs of students attending cultural experiences through field trips, campus visits, camps, museums, and local events.</p>	<p>\$ 17,000.00</p>
<p><u>East Jordan Public Schools</u></p> <p>Funding to continue to support the schools Title VI Program that funds tutors in order to provide academic tutoring, social-emotional support and cultural programming to Native American students in the East Jordan School District.</p>	<p>\$ 8,000.00</p>
<p><u>Elk Rapids Public Schools</u></p> <p>Funding to support the schools Native American Student Education Program in hiring 2 academic tutors for educational activities and for items such as sport's fees, band and choir costs, cultural activities, educational and cultural conferences, supplies, homework lab supplies and support, school pictures, and technology fees; and other activities.</p>	<p>\$ 42,000.00</p>

<p><u>Suttons Bay Public Schools</u></p> <p>Funding to support the Title VI Indigenous Education Program that focuses on supporting students culturally and to focus on reading comprehension, study skills, and graduation. The funds will also help implement a summer school program as well.</p>	<p>\$ 109,000.00</p>
<p><u>Traverse City Area Public Schools</u></p> <p>Funding for schools Title VI Education Program that focuses on academically and culturally supporting the schools' Native American students during the upcoming 2023-2024 school year.</p>	<p>\$ 68,000.00</p>
<p><u>Forest Area Community Schools</u></p> <p>Funding to partner with Child and Family Services YouthWork program. This is mutually beneficial program for disadvantaged youth to learn job skills, engage in positive peer experiences, earn a paycheck, and build resiliency by working with the YouthWorks team cleaning up and providing habitat restoration of the local community areas including the Brown Bridge Quiet Area, The Boardman Valley Nature Education Center Reserve and the Upper Manistee River.</p>	<p>\$ 10,000.00</p>
<p><u>The Greenspire High School</u></p> <p>Funding to purchase 10 laptops for the growing student population in the new computer laboratory.</p>	<p>\$ 10,000.00</p>
<p><u>Northwest Education Services</u></p> <p>Funding for Michael's Place to support the growing need for bereavement services for children. Also, it will go into developing 2 new programs Writing Through Loss for Educators and School Bereavement Response Training and Planning.</p>	<p>\$ 23,400.00</p>

<p><u>Northwestern Michigan College</u></p> <p>Funding to for the NMC International Affairs Forum which has programming to emphasize the importance of local and global freshwater resources by presenting 2 programs a year on these topics. Funds will be used to bring in internationally recognized speakers to deliver quality in person and virtual presentations.</p>	<p>\$ 8,000.00</p>
<p><u>Suttons Bay Public Schools</u></p> <p>Funding to take seniors on 10 college campus tours, where they are free to learn and explore.</p>	<p>\$ 1,500.00</p>
<p><u>Suttons Bay Public Schools</u></p> <p>Funding to help create a Women in STEM Club at the High School. The goal is to increase interest and confidence in the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) practices and careers.</p>	<p>\$ 3,000.00</p>
<p><u>Cedar Area Fire & Rescue</u></p> <p>Funding for needed training materials such as Manikins (infant and adult), and various simulators.</p>	<p>\$ 3,995.95</p>
<p><u>Charlevoix Township Fire Department</u></p> <p>Funding for the purchase of 4 sets of turn-out gear sets and gloves, 6 helmet leather fronts, 3 helmets and boots, and 8 Ringers gloves.</p>	<p>\$ 15,000.00</p>
<p><u>East Bay Charter Township</u></p> <p>Funding for to purchase 3 Sapphire Infusion Pumps to go onto all units. These pumps help make sure that the right amount of medication is administered to the patient.</p>	<p>\$ 7,917.33</p>

<p><u>East Bay Charter Township</u></p> <p>Funding for a highly collaborative, Mitchell Creek Watershed total restoration plan. The EPA has classified the watershed as impaired due to fertilization, erosion and other contaminants and well as removal of wetlands by humans.</p>	<p>\$ 12,781.00</p>
<p><u>Glen Lake Fire Department</u></p> <p>Funding for 23 new SCBA voice amplifiers and clip attachments. These devices improve communications between interior and exterior firefighters.</p>	<p>\$ 14,421.00</p>
<p><u>Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p>Funding to support Safe Haven to continue to provide safety and security to children and at-risk parents in situations of domestic violence and high conflict in the GTB 6 county service area.</p>	<p>\$ 30,000.00</p>
<p><u>Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p>Funding to support the partnership of GT County Veterans Affairs, the United Way of NW Michigan and the University of Michigan School of Dentistry and School of Social Work to open a pediatric and veterans dental clinic based in Grand Traverse County.</p>	<p>\$ 30,000.00</p>
<p><u>Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p>Funding to The Dream Team of Northern Michigan which is a baseball league for players with disabilities ages 8-26. The project will redo the dugouts at the civic center to become more accessible.</p>	<p>\$ 15,000.00</p>
<p><u>Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p>Funding to build a 180-foot-long Ottaway Crossing footbridge that will span the Boardman-Ottaway River. This will provide the needed non-motorized link from the Tart Trail, Nature Center to the Keystone Soccer Complex and miles of existing trails on the East side of the river.</p>	<p>\$ 25,000.00</p>

<p><u>Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p>Funding for the Recycle-A-Bicycle program, which provides critical non-motorized transportation to economically disadvantaged individuals and families, as well as those experiencing homelessness. Recycle-A-Bicycle will use this grant to provide over 50 refurbished bicycles and cable locks to program recipients in need.</p>	<p>\$ 5,500.00</p>
<p><u>Homestead Township</u></p> <p>Funding to support the partnership with the Honor Area Restoration Project and SEEDS EcoCorps both non-profits that aim to protect and preserve local resources. HARP is a 52-acre park site that SEEDS has been working to improve. Funding will go to hire and train youth in Benzie and surrounding counties to help with the improvements with benefits the park and youth to build hard and soft skills.</p>	<p>\$ 10,000.00</p>
<p><u>Lake Charlevoix EMS Authority</u></p> <p>Funding to purchase a Power-Pro XT MTS Cot that will raise/ lower and load/ unload a patient with the touch of a button.</p>	<p>\$ 10,000.00</p>
<p><u>Leelanau County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p>Funding for a partnership with CFS YouthWorks Program to support Veronica Park improvements including the removal of invasive plant species including autumn olive, spotted knapweed, and glossy buckthorn by the youthwork program.</p>	<p>\$ 22,000.00</p>
<p><u>St. James Township</u></p> <p>Funding to replace old outdated cardiac monitors.</p>	<p>\$ 13,547.50</p>
<p><u>Star Township</u></p> <p>Funding to support the Elders Advisory Organization in getting welcome bags and accessories to inform new members of the services available. Funding will also go to attending the National Indian Commission on Aging in September.</p>	<p>\$ 37,509.00</p>
<p><u>Village of Northport</u></p>	<p>\$ 9,260.72</p>

Funding to help in upgrading some existing equipment at the public bathing beach and replace with new ADA compliant play structures.	
<u>Whitewater Township Fire Department</u>	
Funding to purchase new structural firefighting helmets which are required PPE under NFPA.	\$ 5,670
<u>Whitewater Township</u>	
Funding to purchase an AED with accessories and an ANSI compliant first aid kit for Whitewater Township Park.	\$ 2,330.00
Total 2% Distribution for First-Half 2023	\$ 601,770.00