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**Cow Creek Umpqua Indian Foundation Awards**

**$496,550 to 73 Non-Profits**

*Total brings Cow Creek Umpqua Indian Foundation to a giving total, since its beginnings, of $17,948,524. Total Cow Creek Umpqua Indian Foundation giving for 2018 is $1,023,298.*

 ***Canyonville, Oregon*……….** On Wednesday, January 9, 2019, at 1 p.m., at Seven Feathers Convention Center in Canyonville, Oregon, the Cow Creek Umpqua Indian Foundation (CCUIF) will award $496, 550 to 73 non-profits in seven different counties in southwestern Oregon.

Foundation Executive Director Carma Mornarich, referencing the giving of the Foundation, says, “The results of the partnerships the Cow Creek Umpqua Indian Foundation has developed with

non-profits in southwestern Oregon is impressive. Communities and families within the seven counties in Southwestern Oregon are healthier, as well as more vital and responsive to need as a result. My job, to oversee these partnerships, is so gratifying.”

The mission of the Cow Creek Umpqua Indian Foundation is to offer assistance in youth education, strengthen youth and family, provide for positive youth development, and add to

the quality of life for people in southwestern Oregon. Additionally, the CCUIF has put increasing emphasis upon basic needs so more hungry people get fed. Since its founding in 1997, the CCUIF has awarded $17,948,524 in grants to non-profits. Awards are made semi-annually, in January and June.

The 73 grantees include: three grantees in Coos County who will receive $19,000; thirteen grantees in Deschutes County who will receive $86,000; fourteen grantees in Douglas County who will receive $107,800; nineteen grantees in Jackson County who will receive $107,250;

four grantees in Josephine County who receive $30,000; five grantees in Klamath County who will receive $42,500; eight grantees in Lane County who will receive $55,000, and seven grantees that serve multi-counties who will receive $49,000.

Cow Creek Umpqua Indian Foundation Awards are made separate from and in addition to regular philanthropic decisions made by the Cow Creek Tribal Board.

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