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THE GRAND TRAVERSE BAND ANNOUNCES \$590,130.05 IN LOCAL 2% FUNDS

Organizations Receive Funds via Tribe's Twice Per Year 2 Percent Allocation

PESHAWBESTOWN, MICHIGAN, JUNE 30, 2021 -- The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians is pleased to announce the distribution of \$590,130.05 of gaming revenue allocation to local units of government. The dollars have been allocated for 27 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 **\$42,785,368.59** 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 46 applications received, totaling \$1,225,394.08 in requests, the Tribal Council awarded 27 applicants for a total of \$590,130.05.

The Grand Traverse Band will make its decision regarding the second-half 2021 Two Percent allocation in January 2022.

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 2021 2% Distribution

2% RECIPIENT	AMOUNT
<p><u>Gov't to Gov't Agreement - Antrim County</u></p> <p>Prisoner Housing Contract.</p>	<p>\$ 12,775.00</p>
<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>Gov't to Gov't Agreement - Leelanau County</u></p> <p>Prisoner Housing Contract.</p>	<p>\$ 44,712.50</p>
<p><u>Boyne City Public School</u></p> <p>Funding for the school's Indian Education to increase the academic success of Native American students in the Boyne City and Boyne Falls school districts to assist the member districts with costs associated with individual educational academic support, technology for educational and cultural purposes, college readiness assistance, and to help offset transportation and other costs of our students attending cultural experiences through field trips, campus visits, camps, museums, local events, cultural events, and to meet other scholastic needs.</p>	<p>\$ 24,000.00</p>
<p><u>Elk Rapids Public Schools</u></p> <p>Funding for the school's Indian Education Program to continue support services in hiring 2 academic tutors for educational activities and have a provision 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, including, but not limited to monitoring students progress, attendance, grades, wellbeing and behavioral issues.</p>	<p>\$ 48,000.00</p>

<p><u>Northport Public School</u></p> <p>Funding for the school's Indian Education Program for school of choice transportation, online learning opportunities, and access to our licensed school guidance counselor for academic, social, emotional, and future planning needs.</p>	<p>\$ 49,000.00</p>
<p><u>Suttons Bay Public School</u></p> <p>Funding for the school's Indian Education Program to support the objectives of increasing student achievement, supporting students as they progress toward graduation, and increasing knowledge of cultural identity and creating district wide awareness. Supporting these objectives will improve the schooling experience for our students and community.</p>	<p>\$ 125,000.00</p>
<p><u>Traverse City Area Public School</u></p> <p>Funding for the school's Indian Education Program to support our academic goals, by continuing to have an IE paraprofessional at each building within the district. Students will receive individual or small group tutoring each week, focusing on reading and math; curriculum training for IE staff; after-school tutoring services; and IE staff will continue tutoring and mentoring services, homework support, cultural activities, and assistance with college admission, scholarship applications, as well as job applications. If allowed, the program will resume college campus visits during the 2021-22 school year.</p>	<p>\$ 78,000.00</p>
<p><u>Leelanau Montessori Public School Academy</u></p> <p>Funding toward the expansion of the school's capacity for quality childcare programming that requires a building renovation, classroom design, teacher training and material purchases.</p>	<p>\$ 5,000.00</p>

<p><u>Northwestern Michigan College</u></p> <p>Funding towards the Native American Student Program at NMC, which the goal is to continue to improve retention and course completion rates; and to continue to support Native American students with focused support programs, tribal communication and involvement, higher education recruitment activities for Native American high school students, and transfer preparation.</p>	<p>\$ 9,093.16</p>
<p><u>Suttons Bay Public School</u></p> <p>Funding towards the leadership team at Suttons Bay Public School, which focuses on supporting the well being of families, students, and staff both inside and outside the school day by outreach to our students, staff, and families to facilitate parent nights, the recognition of student effort at school, and to support staff members.</p>	<p>\$ 2,500.00</p>
<p><u>Suttons Bay Public School</u></p> <p>Funding towards the purchase of a 10-passenger van to allow our sports teams and student clubs better access to events, such as games, practices and more, which will lessen the burden of our families.</p>	<p>\$ 15,000.00</p>
<p><u>Suttons Bay Public School</u></p> <p>Funding towards an upgrade to the experiential STEM lab learning aboard the 77' tall ship schooner, Inland Seas, to allow for deeper discoveries for young people. The lab will be a critical component of winter season programming that ISEA is currently developing as part of our strategic plan. Upgrades will include new cabinets and storage solutions, digital displays for group learning, soldering stations for STEM projects, supplies for the remote program, and cameras for microscopes.</p>	<p>\$ 5,000.00</p>

<p><u>Northwest Education Services (previously TBAISD)</u></p> <p>Funding towards Michael's Place to support an initiative invested in by members of the Traverse City impact 100 group, a collective of women committed to transformational funding of important work in our community. The initiative engages partner organizations and mobilizes community support by replicating proven national models in an evidence-based approach to address the rising need for grief support programs, most importantly, when the grief is complicated by loss due to suicide.</p>	<p>\$ 2,500.00</p>
<p><u>Acme Township</u></p> <p>Funding towards TART Trails for essential maintenance to critical transportation and recreational connections created by 1.8 miles of non-motorized trail in Acme Township.</p>	<p>\$ 2,500.00</p>
<p><u>Blair Township</u></p> <p>Funding to increase the closed-circuit security camera system at Blair Township park with two additional cameras and add an intercom system to announce any emergency issues and deliver important messages if necessary.</p>	<p>\$ 7,194.00</p>
<p><u>Central Lake Township Fire Department</u></p> <p>Funding to replace our current ice rescue suits. They were donated to us approximately 15 years ago from the Coast Guard, as they upgraded to new rescue suits. Three of our five suits have been patched up over the years at least once to repair leaks. The reserve suits we would like to replace the old suits with are much lighter and much easier to maneuver around in.</p>	<p>\$ 3,900.00</p>
<p><u>Charlevoix EMS</u></p> <p>Funding towards outfitting the third and fourth ambulances with a Power Load System, which will allow our program to increase employee and patient safety by reducing the incident of employee injuries incurred with patient handling.</p>	<p>\$ 5,000.00</p>

<p><u>Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p>Funding for TART Trails for the Recycle-A-Bicycle program, which provides critical non-motorized transportation to economically disadvantaged individuals and families, as well as those experiencing homelessness.</p>	<p>\$ 5,500.00</p>
<p><u>Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p>Funding towards Reining Liberty Ranch that serves veterans who have been diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and/or traumatic brain injury (TBI), display social avoidance or general discomfort with life as a whole after their military service.</p>	<p>\$ 10,000.00</p>
<p><u>Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p>Funding towards Safe Haven, which provides safety and security to children and at-risk parents in situations of domestic violence and high conflict.</p>	<p>\$ 12,500.00</p>
<p><u>Northwest Regional Fire Training Center</u></p> <p>Funding towards allowing people trained this past spring to become instructors for this program; and to host Fire Inspector 1 and Plan Review Class, which are the first steps that a fire department needs to allow its staff to review and make sure the area businesses are safe for our community.</p>	<p>\$ 10,000.00</p>
<p><u>Peninsula Township Fire Department</u></p> <p>Funding to purchase a Stryker Grant Power Load and Compatibility Kit, which is a stretcher/cot that assists firefighters to lift stretchers into an ambulance.</p>	<p>\$ 24,856.00</p>
<p><u>Suttons Bay Bingham Fire & Rescue Authority</u></p> <p>Funding towards the purchase of a Cascade system, which is an effective method for filling the self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) bottles.</p>	<p>\$ 25,631.16</p>

<p><u>Star Township</u></p> <p>Funding towards the Elder's Advisory Committee for elders with emergency needs within GTB's 6-county service area.</p>	<p>\$ 23,230.73</p>
<p><u>Whitewater Township Fire Department</u></p> <p>Funding to replace one outdated Thermal Imaging Camera (TIC), which are essential firefighting equipment used to locate persons in distress in low visibility areas.</p>	<p>\$ 7,300.00</p>
<p>Total 2% Distribution for First-Half 2021</p>	<p>\$ 590,130.05</p>