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THE GRAND TRAVERSE BAND ANNOUNCES \$643,166.36 IN LOCAL 2% FUNDS
Organizations Receive Funds via Tribe's Twice Per Year 2 Percent Allocation

PESHAWBESTOWN, MICHIGAN, JULY 3, 2024 -- The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians is pleased to announce the distribution of \$643,166.36 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 **\$46,967,135.79** 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 45 applications received, totaling \$1,380,735.77 in requests, the Tribal Council awarded 31 applicants for a total of \$643,166.36.

The Grand Traverse Band will make its decision regarding the second-half 2024 Two Percent allocation in December 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 2024 2% Distribution

2% RECIPIENT	AMOUNT
<p><u>Gov't to Gov't Agreement - Benzie County</u> Prisoner Housing Contract.</p>	<p>\$ 19,162.50</p>
<p><u>Gov't to Gov't Agreement - Charlevoix County</u> Prisoner Housing Contract.</p>	<p>\$ 12,775.00</p>
<p><u>Gov't to Gov't Agreement – Leelanau County</u> Prisoner Housing Contract.</p>	<p>\$ 44,712.50</p>
<p><u>Benzie County Board of Commissioners</u> Funding for Benzie Area Christian Neighbors to continue to help support the services offered such as providing food, clothing, financial assistance, GED and job readiness, and blessings in a backpack to the 5 priority populations.</p>	<p>\$ 15,000.00</p>
<p><u>Benzie Transportation Authority</u> Funding to purchase new LED lights for the bus shelters on a re-launched bus route.</p>	<p>\$ 8,925.00</p>
<p><u>Boyne City Public Schools</u> Funding for the Boyne Area Title VI Educational Consortium to be used to continue to fund costs associated with cultural purposes, college readiness assistance, and to help offset costs of transportation for students attending cultural experiences through field trips, museums, camps, campus visits, and local events.</p>	<p>\$ 15,000.00</p>
<p><u>Charlevoix Township</u> Funding to support Charlevoix Youth Soccer by replacing old soccer goals currently in disrepair.</p>	<p>\$ 8,850.00</p>

<p><u>Charlevoix Township Fire Department</u></p> <p>Funding to purchase 5 sets of PPE.</p>	<p>\$ 25,000.00</p>
<p><u>City of Frankfort</u></p> <p>Funding to support Frankfort Area Community Land Trust in the Grove Place Project, building affordable homes for families in Benzie County's Missing Middle Class.</p>	<p>\$ 15,000.00</p>
<p><u>East Jordan Police Department</u></p> <p>Funding to aid in the purchase of a new patrol vehicle.</p>	<p>\$ 7,822.33</p>
<p><u>East Jordan Public Schools</u></p> <p>Funding for the Title VI Program to provide tutors for academic and cultural programming to Native American Students in the school district.</p>	<p>\$ 11,000.00</p>
<p><u>Elk Rapids Public Schools</u></p> <p>Funding for the Native American Tutoring and Liaison Program to hire tutors to provide educational assistance to Native American students.</p>	<p>\$ 49,000.00</p>
<p><u>Elmwood Township Fire & Rescue</u></p> <p>Funding to purchase a headset/emergency intercom system for the front-line fire engine.</p>	<p>\$ 4,300.00</p>
<p><u>Forest Area Community Schools</u></p> <p>Funding to partner with Child and Family Services YouthWork Program to allow disadvantaged youth to gain job skills and engage in positive peer experiences while providing habitat restoration in the local community areas such as the Brown Bridge Quit Area, Boardman Valley Education Center, and the Upper Manistee River.</p>	<p>\$ 5,002.33</p>

<p><u>Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p>The 13th Circuit Court sought 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.</p>	<p>\$ 30,000.00</p>
<p><u>Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p>Funding to support the Parks and Recreation Department and the Conservation District's Discovery Boardwalk Project.</p>	<p>\$ 15,680.00</p>
<p><u>Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p>Funding to support the GT Sheriff's office for the continued project to replace expired AEDs in all patrol vehicles.</p>	<p>\$ 8,000.00</p>
<p><u>Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p>Funding to support the TART Trails, Inc Recycle-A-Bicycle Program that provides bikes to economically disadvantaged individuals.</p>	<p>\$ 5,500.00</p>
<p><u>Grand Traverse Metro Fire and EMS Authority</u></p> <p>Funding to replace a currently inoperable CPR Device with a new LUCAS 3 CPR Device.</p>	<p>\$ 14,215.75</p>
<p><u>Leelanau County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p>Funding to support Housing North's project to expand the rental preservation program.</p>	<p>\$ 50,000.00</p>
<p><u>Leelanau County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p>Funding to support Inland Seas Education Association retrofit the tallship Alliance for educational purposes.</p>	<p>\$ 15,000.00</p>

<p><u>Leelanau County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p>Funding to support the Leelanau County Historical Preservation Society in funding 2 new outdoor educational exhibits at the Historic Poor Farm Barn and to make the barn floor safe.</p>	<p>\$ 3,680.00</p>
<p><u>Leelanau Montessori Public School Academy</u></p> <p>Funding to support the Cultural Garden and Restoration Project at the school for the land-based curriculum.</p>	<p>\$ 13,500.00</p>
<p><u>Leelanau Township Fire Department</u></p> <p>Funding to replace and purchase a new Likepak Cardiac Monitor.</p>	<p>\$ 66,739.89</p>
<p><u>Northwest Education Services</u></p> <p>Funding to support Michael’s Place in providing bereavement services for free at local schools.</p>	<p>\$ 20,000.00</p>
<p><u>Northwestern Michigan College</u></p> <p>Funding to hire a student success coach for the Native American Student Organization.</p>	<p>\$ 42,692.15</p>
<p><u>Star Township</u></p> <p>Funding to support the Star Township Volunteer Firefighters Foods Pantry purchase and industrial fridge and freezer and to purchase perishable food.</p>	<p>\$ 9,000.00</p>
<p><u>Suttons Bay-Bingham Fire & Rescue Authority</u></p> <p>Funding to purchase a high-pressure lift bag, a water rescue boat, and CPR manikins.</p>	<p>\$ 20,000.00</p>
<p><u>Traverse City Public Schools</u></p> <p>Funding to support the Title VI Indigenous Education Program in funding staff to provide academic and cultural support to native students.</p>	<p>\$ 68,000.00</p>

<p><u>Whitewater Township</u></p> <p>Funding to support the improvement of the township park by adding a toddler play structure.</p>	<p>\$ 14,532.91</p>
<p><u>Whitewater Township Fire Department</u></p> <p>Funding to purchase new vehicle extrication stabilization struts to aid in vehicle crashes,</p>	<p>\$ 5,076.00</p>
<p>Total 2% Distribution for First-Half 2024</p>	<p>\$ 643,166.36</p>