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## THE GRAND TRAVERSE BAND ANNOUNCES \$706,758.54 IN LOCAL 2% FUNDS

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

PESHAWBESTOWN, MICHIGAN, JULY 28, 2025 -- The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians is pleased to announce the distribution of \$706,758.54 of gaming revenue allocation to local units of government. The dollars have been allocated for 39 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 1<sup>st</sup> and March 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. This payment schedule was modified with the consent of the State of Michigan to July 31<sup>st</sup> and January 31<sup>st</sup> 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 \$48,488,375.04 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 63 applications received, totaling \$1,930,320.32 in requests, the Tribal Council awarded 39 applicants a total of \$706,758.54.

The Grand Traverse Band will make its decision regarding the second-half 2025 Two Percent allocation in January 2026.

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 2025 2% Distribution

| 2% RECIPIENT   | AMOUNT          |
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| Gov't to Gov't Agreement - Benzie County   |                 |
| Prisoner Housing Contract.   | \$<br>19,162.50 |
| Gov't to Gov't Agreement - Charlevoix County   |                 |
| Prisoner Housing Contract.   | \$<br>12,775.00 |
| Gov't to Gov't Agreement – Leelanau County   | \$<br>44,712.50 |
| Prisoner Housing Contract.   |                 |
| Acme Township  |                 |
| Funding to purchase a fridge, microwave, coffee maker, and a table on wheels for the new town hall kitchen.  | \$<br>1,652.00  |
| Benzie County Board of Commissioners   |                 |
| Funding to support Benzie Area Christian Neighbors (BACN) for continued services for the 5 priority populations: children, seniors, working families, farm families, and homeless by providing food, clothing, financial and other assistance such as GED and job readiness help. Along with Blessings in a backpack and KINship kits. | \$<br>15,000.00 |
| Benzie County Board of Commissioners   |                 |
| Funding to support Mid-Michigan Honor Flight in conducting 4 honor flights in 2025, where veterans who served in WWII, the Korean War or who are terminally ill fly to Washington D.C to see in-person the war memorials that were built as tributes to their service.   | \$<br>30,000.00 |
| Benzie County Board of Commissioners   |                 |
| Funding to purchase a tractor to carry out tasks such as mowing, debris clearing, grading, and snow and ice removal at the governmental buildings.   | \$<br>10,000.00 |

| Boyne City Public Schools   |                 |
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| Funding for the Boyne Area Title VI Educational Consortium to fund costs associated with college readiness assistance, and cultural purposes and to help offset transportation and other costs of students attending cultural experiences through field trips, campus visits, camps, museums, and local events. | \$<br>14,000.00 |
| <b>Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office</b>   |                 |
| Funding to continue the blight cleanup project on Beaver Island and the mainland. This blight cleanup promotes a healthier community and help alleviate the financial burden on the residents.  | \$<br>25,000.00 |
| Charlevoix Township Fire Department   |                 |
| Funding to purchase 3 sets of turnout gear, a thermal imaging camera, and Miscellaneous PPE.  | \$<br>25,000.00 |
| Charter Township of Garfield  |                 |
| Funding to support Angel Care Childcare to meet the licensing requirements of classrooms in the building they are moving to by installing a portable sink, smoke detectors, fridges, evacuation cribs, electrical work, rocking chair, and egress doors.  | \$<br>10,000.00 |
| Charter Township of Long Lake   |                 |
| Funding to replace a mat at the Twin Lakes Playground with new rubber surfacing to ensure kids have a safe environment to enjoy.  | \$<br>10,000.00 |
| City of Frankfort Fire Department   |                 |
| Funding to purchase a LifePak 1000 automatic external defibrillator to aid in effective CPR at medical incidents. Along with a space saving folding backboard and Dual-sided ID card printer and accessories.   | \$<br>5,300.00  |
| East Bay Charter Township   |                 |
| Funding for the East Bay Ambulance Service to purchase a new Stryker Power-load cot system and a Stryker Power-PRO2 cot for a new ambulance ordered and to be delivered in January.   | \$<br>20,000.00 |

| East Bay Charter Township   |                 |
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| Funding to support the Elders Advisory Organization to maintain supplies for new membership inserts, elders activities, emergency assistance, rent/ lease building, office supplies.  | \$<br>27,087.60 |
| East Jordan Public Schools  |                 |
| Funding to support the Title VI Program to provide academic tutoring, social-emotional support and cultural programming to native american students in the East Jordan School District.   | \$<br>11,000.00 |
| Elk Rapids Public Schools   |                 |
| Funding to support the schools Native Student program that provides educational assistance services to native american students by compensating an Academic/ Cultural Liaison and a part time tutor, along with providing financial support for school related educational costs such as school supplies, athletic/equipment fees, field trips, band fees, etc. | \$<br>48,000.00 |
| Fife Lake Township  |                 |
| Funding to support Friends of Fife Lake Library in their expansion project to meet increasing demand and make the Library ADA complaint so all of the community is able to use the building and its resources.  | \$<br>18,000.00 |
| Frankfort-Elberta Area Schools  |                 |
| Funding to expand the after- school enrichment program opportunities for elementary and middle school students by creating a mentoring program.   | \$<br>10,000.00 |
| Frankfort-Elberta Area Schools  |                 |
| Funding to help fund the school's food and personal hygiene pantry which provides students with snacks during the day, after school, and meals for them to take home for dinner.  | \$<br>10,000.00 |

| Glen Lake Fire Department  |    |           |
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| Funding for 6 new ice rescue suits.  | \$ | 5,550.00  |
| Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners  Funding to the Sheriff's Office for the ongoing 5-year project to replace and add AEDs to all patrol units.  | \$ | 10,000.00 |
| Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners  Funding to support Goodwill of Northern Michigan's Outreach  | ¢  | 20,000,00 |
| Program in replacing an old near end-of-life vehicle.  Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners  | \$ | 30,000.00 |
| Funding to purchase 3 level II ballistic vests to be used by the Animal Control Officers in the field where they work alongside the Sheriff's Department in various situations with uncontrolled dogs.   | \$ | 2,441.60  |
| Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners   |    |           |
| Funding to support TART Trails Inc Recycle-A-Bicycle program, which provides critical non-motorized transportation to economically disadvantaged individuals and families, as well as those experiencing homelessness.   | \$ | 5,500.00  |
| Greenspire High School   |    |           |
| Funding to grow the food pantry to include basic hygiene necessities along with providing food so students do not go hungry.   | \$ | 10,000.00 |
| <b>Leelanau County Board of Commissioners</b>  |    |           |
| Funding to support Child and Family Services Safe Haven Program, which provides supervised visits for parents who require supervision due to legal decisions and provides safe places for custodial parents to exchange children without having to interact with each other. | \$ | 5,000.00  |

| Leelanau County Board of Commissioners  |                 |
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| Funding for the Family Court to replace and purchase new bicycles, helmets, and an enclosed trailer for the Court's Youth Activity Program.   | \$<br>18,000.00 |
| <b>Leelanau County Board of Commissioners</b>   |                 |
| Funding to support Inland Seas Education Association in the stewardship of the newly acquired Leo Creek Preserve. The funds will allow for updated signage, replacement of well pump and pressure tank, and improvements to the trail and garden. The funding will allow ISEA to enhance its watershed focused educational programming and ensure the continued accessibility to the preserve | \$<br>15,000.00 |
| Leelanau Montessori Public School   |                 |
| Funding to upgrade and install water filters and bottle filling stations campus wide. Also, installation of a security upgrade of a PA system allowing for campus-wide direct communication.  | \$<br>25,000.00 |
| Long Lake Township Fire & EMS   |                 |
| Funding to purchase a GlideScope which is a critical airway intervention device that offers live visualization of the structures of the mouth and throat when patients present with difficult intubations due to trauma.  | \$<br>3,400.00  |
| Northwest Education Services  |                 |
| Funding to support Michael's Place to provide youth-based bereavement services within schools in Leelanau County.   | \$<br>12,220.70 |
| Northwestern Michigan College   |                 |
| Funding for the Native American Student Organization to help provide presentations, workshops, and events focusing on community, cultural enrichment and awareness for the Native student population, community, and guests.  | \$<br>10,000.00 |
| St. James Township  Funding to support Beaver Island Rural Health Center in purchasing a mid-range GE Vscan Air SL portable Ultrasound System and   | \$<br>2,584.00  |

| subscription for 1 year. This device will help provide high-quality, cost-effective patient treatment.   |                  |
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| Suttons Bay Township   |                  |
| Funding to support the Herman Park Playground Project in constructing an accessible playground with a farm theme to honor the Herman family and the history of farming on the land.  | \$<br>15,000.00  |
| Suttons Bay-Bingham Fire & Rescue Authority  |                  |
| Funding to purchase a LifePack 35 System and accessories. This system monitors a patient's cardiac rhythm and can defibrillate, cardiovert, and pace a patient's adverse heart rhythms.  | \$<br>41,372.64  |
| Traverse City Public Schools   |                  |
| Funding to support the schools Indian Education Program which focuses on academically and culturally supporting the Native American students during the upcoming school year.  | \$<br>103,000.00 |
| Village of Central Lake  |                  |
| Funding for the Police Department to purchase 3 new portable radios which provides additional safety for officers.   | \$<br>11,000.00  |
| Whitewater Township  |                  |
| Funding to help offset the costs associated with the engineering and design phase of an essential electrical upgrade at the Whitewater Township Park and Campground. This upgrade will support the tribal funded boat launch expansion, along with other future expansion plans for the modernization of the campground. | \$<br>15,000.00  |
| Total 2% Distribution for First-Half 2025  | \$<br>706,758.54 |