

Executive Report—2019

Camas-Washougal Community Chest (CWCC)

The Camas-Washougal Community Chest was established in 1946 to coordinate raising funds for local 501(c) (3) non-profits involved with (1) education, (2) youth activities, (3) aiding those with special needs, (4) natural resource conservation, (5) health and welfare, (6) crisis and emergency services, and (7) other charitable and civic endeavors. All grants are for services and programs provided in the Camas and Washougal areas.

The CWCC is governed by an all-volunteer Board of Directors. Directors serving as of December 31, 2019 were: President Joelle Scheldorf, Past-President Dave Pinkernell, Presidents-Elect Peter Capell and Bolt Minister, Secretary Cari Corbett, Treasurer Marianne Reiter, Campaign Chairman Rich Reiter, and Board members Stewart Bennett, Matthew McBride, David Scott, Jeff Snell., Mary Templeton and Nancy Swimley.

Organizations desiring funds are required to file a Grant application requesting support. Proposals are normally filed in December for review by the Grant Committee and the Board of Directors. In 2019, CWCC awarded grants totaling \$108,500 to 29 organizations in Camas and Washougal.

Organizations receiving funds were: Camas & Washougal School Districts' Principal's Funds; Camas Farmers' Market; Children's Home Society (East County Family Resource Center, Washougal); Cascade Pacific Boy Scout Council; Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership (LCEP); Camas Parks & Recreation's Camtown Youth festival; Friends and

Foundation of the Camas Library; Friends of the Columbia River Gorge; Fort-Vancouver Regional Library (Washougal Library Summer reading Program); Inter-Faith Treasure Janus Youth Programs; Meals on Wheels People; Pathways Pregnancy Clinic; Camas-Washougal Historical Society; Evergreen Habitat for Humanity; General Federation of Women's Clubs; Journey Theater Arts Group; Lifeline Connections; Opera Quest NW; TreeSong Nature Awareness & Retreat Center; REACH Community Development; Camas Sister City Organization; Family Promise Clark County; Lower Columbia Fish Enhancement Group; Police Activities League; ReFuel Washougal; and Teen reach Adventure Camp – Camas.

Most funds are raised by annual campaigns from October 1 through September 30. The legal fiscal year for the organization is January 1 through December 31. Funds received in fiscal year 2019 included \$100,608 from donations, \$4,822 from other income, and \$3,404 from investments. Disbursements for fiscal year 2019 included \$110,600 for grants to organizations, and \$2,876 for expenses (office expenses, insurance, Post Office box, taxes, and Event costs).

Assets as of Dec. 31, 2019 were \$210,684. Most grants are paid quarterly. Grants for 2020 had not been approved by Dec. 31, 2019. It is estimated that those grants will amount to \$110,000.