



Grants Awarded, from Inception to Date

Improving Our Communities Since 2015

First Federal Community Foundation's mission is to improve the quality of life in the communities in which First Federal Bank – the Foundation's sole donor – maintains full-service branches. Committed to creating broad impact, the Foundation has contributed more than \$4 million since its inception in 2015 to the following organizations that provide community support, address the availability of and access to affordable housing, and deliver economic and community development projects in Clallam, Jefferson, Kitsap and Whatcom Counties.

2015 Contributions:

Affordable Housing Grants Awarded:

Habitat for Humanity International, \$50,000 for materials to construct two homes in Port Angeles and Forks.

Habitat for Humanity of East Jefferson County, \$50,000 for construction of a Habitat for Humanity home in Port Townsend's Birkenfeld Community.

North Olympic Regional Veterans Housing Network, \$31,300 for improvements to Sol Duc House in Forks.

Community Development Grants Awarded:

Centrum Foundation, \$35,000 to purchase and construct a new stage for McCurdy Pavilion at Fort Worden State Park in Port Townsend.

Dungeness River Audubon Center, \$100,000 for replacement of the stringers and decking on the Dungeness River Railroad Bridge in Sequim.

Fort Worden Public Development Authority, \$25,000 to renovate two buildings at Fort Worden State Park.

Harrison Medical Center Foundation, \$70,000 for expansion of the Touching Hearts, Saving Lives program, shortening the time and distance between a cardiac incident and intervention at the Hospital.

Kitsap Regional Library Foundation, \$100,000 challenge grant for purchase of land for the new Central Kitsap Library in Silverdale.

Olympic Peninsula YMCA, \$70,000 for new Jefferson County YMCA facility capital campaign.

Community Support Grants Awarded:

Answer For Youth, \$10,000 for services to homeless and at-risk youth and young families in Clallam County.

Boys and Girls Clubs of the Olympic Peninsula, \$10,000 to support the Summer Lunch Program, providing free meals and snacks at ten locations in Port Angeles and Sequim.

Ecumenical Christian Helping Hands Organization, \$5,000 matching funds for a Washington State Department of Transportation grant supporting the volunteer transportation program in Jefferson County.

Feiro Marine Life Center, \$5,000 to support the Volunteer Training Program.

Joyce Community Education Foundation, \$5,000 for gym renovations and new weight-lifting equipment.

Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe, \$5,000 for Communities Together Through Art youth program in Port Angeles.

North Olympic Salmon Coalition, \$5,000 for the agency's Real Learning Real Work educational programs in Clallam and Jefferson counties.

Olympic View Community Foundation, \$5,000 for Alliance for Leadership Excelerator program in Clallam County.

Quilcene Historical Museum, \$5,000 for improvements to the historic Hamilton-Worthington House in Quilcene.

Seeds of Grace, \$5,000 for construction of organic gardens in Kitsap County, bringing fresh produce to low income and disadvantaged families in partnership with local agencies and food banks.

Sequim Senior Services, \$5,000 in support of the Healthy Aging for All program for low income seniors.

St. Matthew Lutheran Church, \$25,000 challenge grant for kitchen upgrades that will expand the free Community Meals Program in Port Angeles.

Volunteer Hospice of Clallam County, \$10,000 challenge grant for renovation of Hospice House in Port Angeles.

Economic Development Grants Awarded:

Northwest Maritime Center, \$75,000 for curriculum development for the Port Townsend School District's Maritime Discovery Schools Initiative.

Port Townsend School of Woodworking, \$30,000 for capital improvements, new equipment, and vocation program development.

2016 Contributions:

Affordable Housing Grants Awarded:

Habitat for Humanity International, \$50,000 for construction and renovation of low income housing in Clallam County.

Lydia Place, \$25,000 for Strengthening Families, Building Futures capital program to build capacity for the agency's transitional housing facility and parent support programs in Whatcom County.

Northwest Youth Services, \$25,000 to construct the 22 North homeless youth shelter located in Bellingham.

Poulsbo-North Kitsap Rotary Foundation, \$25,000 for capital campaign to build Morrow Manor, a shelter for survivors of domestic violence in Poulsbo.

St. Andrew's Retirement Community, \$25,000 for capital improvements to St. Andrew's Place Assisted Living Facility in Port Angeles.

Community Development Grants Awarded:

Camp Beausite Northwest, \$25,000 for completion of Phase III of facilities expansion program, growing the agency's capacity to serve people with physical, cognitive and developmental disabilities throughout the region.

Captain Joseph House Foundation, \$25,000 matching grant for capital improvements to Captain Joseph House's Port Angeles Respite Home for Gold Star Families, including three new family guest quarters, expanded kitchen, sunroom and deck.

Central Kitsap Food Bank, \$25,000 to purchase a new box truck for collecting donations.

Central Stage Theatre of County Kitsap, \$50,000 to construct a new performing arts center in Silverdale, in collaboration with the Central Kitsap School District.

North Kitsap Fishline, \$25,000 for Transforming Lives capital campaign to expand Comprehensive Services Center located in Poulsbo.

Olympic Memorial Hospital, \$50,000 to expand the Cancer Care Center in Sequim.

Olympic Peninsula YMCA, \$25,000 capital for the Sequim YMCA, formerly Sequim Aquatic Recreation Center.

Volunteers in Medicine of the Olympics, \$50,000 to expand the clinic and develop volunteer recruiting tools.

West End Youth League, \$25,000 for construction of the Tod Horton On Deck Playground located in Forks.

Community Support Grants Awarded:

Alternatives to Hunger, \$10,000 to purchase and install a generator for emergency preparedness in the Bellingham Food Bank.

Assistance League of Bellingham, \$5,000 for Operation School Bell, providing school clothes to children from low income families.

Clallam-Jefferson Pro Bono Lawyers, \$5,500 to support the drop-in Civil Legal Aid Support for low income clients.

Easter Seals Washington, \$5,000 to purchase therapeutic equipment for Silverdale facility.

First Step Family Support Center, \$20,000 to fund a volunteer coordinator and build the volunteer program.

Jefferson County Farmers Markets Association, \$5,000 to support Gimme5, a food benefits program that makes fresh locally grown farm products accessible to low income neighbors in Jefferson County.

Juan de Fuca Festival of the Arts, \$5,000 to underwrite expenses for three performances at Port Angeles High School.

Lindquist Dental Clinic for Children, \$5,000 to support the Uncompensated Care Fund for low income kids.

North Olympic Land Trust, \$5,000 for Love Where You Live education and awareness programs in Clallam County.

Northwind Arts Center, \$10,000 to provide summer educational scholarships for children from low income families in Jefferson County.

Sequim Food Bank, \$10,000 to purchase a new emergency generator.

Volunteer Hospice of Clallam County, \$5,000 to support nurse training programs.

Economic Development Grants Awarded:

New Life Community Development Agency, \$50,000 for construction of the Birkenfeld Economic Empowerment Center, also known as the Marvin Williams Recreation Center, a 20,000 square foot, two-story, state-of-the-art facility to foster community and provide a home for events in Bremerton.

2017 Contributions:

Affordable Housing Grants Awarded:

Community Frameworks, \$25,000 to rehabilitate four homes for the agency's Build in Bremerton program in Kitsap County.

Habitat for Humanity in Whatcom County, \$50,000 to construct 24 townhomes for 120 low income, working adults and children.

Habitat for Humanity of East Jefferson County, \$50,000 to support the South County Home Repair program.

Serenity House of Clallam County, \$25,000 to repair the exterior stairwells at Evergreen Family Village.

The Coffee Oasis, \$25,000 to expand capacity to reach and serve more homeless and at-risk youth.

Community Development Grants Awarded:

Feiro Marine Life Center, \$25,000 to develop partnership agreements supporting a proposed new facility in downtown Port Angeles.

Harrison Medical Center Foundation, \$25,000 to equip ten-bed Special Care Nursery for fragile infants in downtown Port Angeles.

Olympic College Foundation, \$50,000 matching grant to purchase equipment for the new College Instruction Center on the Olympic College campus in Kitsap County.

Olympic Memorial Hospital, \$25,000 for expansion of the Cancer Care Center in Sequim.

PeaceHealth St. Joseph Medical Center Foundation, \$100,000 for new equipment and modifications to Cardiovascular Center Lab.

Peninsula Housing Authority, \$45,000 for construction of a new playground for Mt. Angeles View affordable housing campus in Port Angeles.

Skookum Kids, \$25,000 for capital improvements to the indoor playground and café in Bellingham, whose mission is to repair the foster care system by eliminating the pain points that make life unnecessarily difficult for foster parents and social workers.

Volunteers in Medicine of the Olympics, \$30,000 for expansion of the agency's medical clinic in Port Angeles.

Community Support Grants Awarded:

Blue Skies for Children, \$5,000 to provide shoes, backpacks and grants for students in Whatcom County.

Boys and Girls Clubs of the Olympic Peninsula, \$6,200 to purchase two educational software licenses in Sequim and Port Angeles.

Brigid Collins House, \$6,500 for capital improvements to the Bellingham facility, a place of healing for abused children and their affected families.

Clallam County Fire District #3, \$6,500 to provide emergency response training for 100 volunteers.

Eastside Baby Corner, \$5,000 to fund Purchasing Power program, providing supplies to low income families in Kitsap County.

Jefferson County Farmers Markets Association, \$7,000 for startup of Power of Produce clubs in Port Townsend and Chimacum, providing children ages 4 to 12 with tokens to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables.

Joyce Fire Department Auxiliary, \$5,000 for the Joyce Emergency Planning and Preparation Group's emergency preparedness initiative.

Kathleen Sutton Inspirational Fund, \$10,000 for financial travel assistance for cancer patients in need on the North Olympic Peninsula.

Kitsap Immigrant Assistance Center, \$5,000 for training programs to build the agency's capacity in Kitsap County.

New Dungeness Light Station Association, \$5,000 to improve interior and exterior signage and interpretive panels at the Dungeness Lighthouse in Sequim.

Scarlet Road, \$5,000 for aftercare program for victims of sex trafficking and exploitation in Kitsap County.

Sequim Family Advocates, \$5,000 to build an eight-court pickleball complex at Carrie Blake Park.

Sequim School District #323, \$11,000 to fund the 2017 Summer Reading program.

South Kitsap Helpline, \$10,000 for the Nourishing the Hungry program in Kitsap County, growing fresh and healthy produce to provide to food bank clients.

StrongerTowns, \$7,500 for Skillmation website upgrades to support mentoring programs in Jefferson County.

Washington Nonprofits, \$5,000 for nonprofit training programs that build capacity in Clallam, Jefferson and Kitsap Counties.

Economic Development Grants Awarded:

Northwest School of Wooden Boatbuilding, \$25,000 for capital improvements to Hammond Shop classroom in Port Hadlock.

Port Townsend Main Street Program, \$35,000 to fund the Paving the Way to a Brighter Future initiative to mitigate construction impact on downtown Port Townsend businesses.

2018 Contributions:

Affordable Housing Grants Awarded:

Fort Worden Public Development Authority, \$100,000 to rehabilitate three buildings as part of the Makers Square initiative.

Habitat for Humanity of East Jefferson County, \$30,000 for the South County Home Repair program, funding much-needed home repairs for families in need.

Housing Resources Bainbridge, \$60,000 for rehabilitation of Island Homes ten-unit affordable housing property.

Jefferson Community Foundation, \$40,000 for the design and launch of the Housing Solutions Network, which works to facilitate connectivity, communication and the co-creation of new strategies to increase the availability of affordable and attainable housing in our region.

Kulshan Community Land Trust, \$30,000 to provide counseling and education programs for low and moderate income homeowners.

Community Development Grants Awarded:

Bainbridge Island Child Care Centers, \$25,000 to develop a new care facility for school-age children on Bainbridge Island.

Boys and Girls Clubs of the Olympic Peninsula, \$100,000 to support construction of a new 16,500 square foot clubhouse in Port Angeles.

Holly Ridge Center, \$50,000 to purchase and renovate a new facility in Bremerton to help children and adults with differing abilities reach their fullest potential.

Jefferson Healthcare Foundation, \$25,000 to purchase infant warmer for the Family Birth Center in Port Townsend.

NatureBridge, \$25,000 to upgrade the fire suppression system at Olympic National Park's Rosemary Inn.

Olympic Memorial Hospital, \$25,000 for expansion of the Cancer Care Center in Sequim.

Peninsula Behavioral Health, \$50,000 for building renovations to accommodate the Children's Behavioral Health Clinic in Port Angeles.

Radio Port Townsend (KPTZ), \$25,000 for building renovations to accommodate a new studio location.

Roxy Bremerton, \$50,000 to replace seating in the historic Roxy Theatre in Bremerton.

Sequim Senior Services, \$100,000 for construction of a new Health and Wellness Annex at Shipley Center in Sequim.

Whatcom Dispute Resolution Center, \$50,000 to redevelop newly acquired building for new permanent location in Bellingham.

Community Support Grants Awarded:

Bainbridge Island Museum of Art, \$5,000 to expand in-school arts education outreach programs on Bainbridge Island.

Boys and Girls Clubs of Whatcom County, \$10,000 to increase capacity of the healthy meals summer program, serving healthy snacks and meals to its youth members.

Centrum Foundation, \$10,000 for scholarships for the Young Artists program in Port Townsend, bringing young artists, scientists, and teachers together for week-long, residential, full-immersion experiences in the arts.

Concerned Citizens, \$10,000 to re-roof Sunshine & Rainbows child care facility in Forks.

Financial Beginnings Washington, \$5,000 for financial literacy education for students in Jefferson, Kitsap and Whatcom Counties.

Great Peninsula Conservancy, \$5,000 for development of a guide book for the Dyes Inlet Water Quality program in Kitsap County.

Kids Discovery Museum, \$5,000 for free and reduced admission for low income children on Bainbridge Island.

Kidzz Helping Kidzz, \$5,000 to purchase toys for kids hospitalized during the holidays in Kitsap County.

Northwest Agriculture Business Center, \$6,500 to build greenhouse for new aquaponics program in Mt. Vernon.

Port Townsend Marine Science Society, \$6,750 to subsidize hands-on science classes for children from low and moderate income families in Port Townsend.

Port Townsend School of the Arts, \$6,750 to fund art camps for 60 kids in the summer of 2018.

Sequim Wheelers, \$5,000 to purchase a new adapted bicycle and transportation equipment for providing accessible bike rides for disabled clients in Sequim.

Washington's National Park Fund, \$5,000 to provide outdoor recreation programming for youth in partnership with the Boys & Girls Club in Clallam County.

Washington's National Park Fund, \$5,000 for Elwha River restoration middle school science program in Port Angeles.

Whatcom Family YMCA, \$10,000 to provide scholarships to low income children for after-school programs in Whatcom County.

2019 Contributions:

Affordable Housing Grants Awarded:

Composite Recycling Technology Center, \$50,000 to construct the first of 24 tiny homes for Pennies for Quarters, a nonprofit providing assistance to homeless veterans and their families in Port Angeles.

Habitat for Humanity of East Jefferson County, \$25,000 for the South County Home Repair program, providing much-needed home repairs to families in Jefferson County.

Sustainable Connections, \$25,000 to launch the Bellingham for Everyone campaign, aimed at helping the public understand and connect homelessness and affordable housing issues with solutions.

Community Development Grants Awarded:

Boys and Girls Clubs of the Olympic Peninsula, \$25,000 for construction of a new clubhouse in Sequim that will allow more at-risk and disadvantaged kids to receive the benefits of membership.

Dungeness River Audubon Center, \$25,000 for reconstruction and expansion of River Center location in Sequim.

Jefferson Healthcare Foundation, \$100,000 to renovate inpatient area of Jefferson Healthcare Medical Center in Port Townsend.

Max Higbee Center, \$50,000 to remodel and expand facility for new primary location in Whatcom County.

North Olympic Healthcare Network, \$25,000 to equip new seven-chair dental clinic for Medicaid patients in Port Angeles.

Northwest Maritime Center, \$50,000 to support the establishment of the new Port Townsend Maritime Academy Skills Center, offered as part of the public education curriculum, and provide for its initial equipment needs.

PeaceHealth St. Joseph Medical Center Foundation, \$25,000 to support the new palliative care assistance program for those struggling with chronic and serious illness in Bellingham.

Radio Port Townsend (KPTZ), \$50,000 to purchase transmitter site and develop emergency program.

Roxy Bremerton, \$25,000 to replace the historic theatre's original and incapacitated "swamp cooler" with a modern HVAC system.

Whatcom Center for Early Learning, \$50,000 for capital campaign to remodel and expand capacity of new location in Bellingham.

Community Support Grants Awarded:

Bainbridge Island Senior Community Center, \$10,000 for new Resource Navigator program, which helps identify the needs of seniors and connect them to resources to address them.

Best Dental Help, \$5,000 to expand the delivery of dental services to an additional 400 low income children in Jefferson and Clallam counties.

Camp Beausite Northwest, \$5,000 to expand current programming for disabled campers attending the camp's Jefferson County location.

College Success Foundation, \$5,000 to underwrite a portion of the costs for 80 low income, minority, and first-generation students from Bremerton and Port Angeles to go on college campus tours in Washington.

Community Arts and Recreational Alliance, \$5,000 to fund a collaboration with Community Arts & Recreation Alliance and the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe's Teen Work Readiness program to provide career guidance and support – as well as bicycles and bike maintenance skills – to low income and minority youth.

Girls on the Run of Kitsap County, \$5,000 for scholarships for girls from low income families to inspire girls to be joyful, healthy and confident using a fun, experience-based curriculum which creatively integrates running.

Junior Achievement of Washington, \$5,000 to bring financial education and career awareness programs to 20 elementary schools and 450 students in Whatcom County.

Kathleen Sutton Inspirational Fund, \$5,000 to fund transportation services for women undergoing cancer treatment on the North Olympic Peninsula, for whom these costs are a burden.

Kids in Concert, \$5,000 to purchase 11 new and used instruments for kids' programs on Bainbridge Island.

Morningside, \$5,000 for critically needed repairs to Morningside's Port Angeles offices, so it may continue to offer on-site employment services and support to people with disabilities.

Museum and Arts Center in the Sequim-Dungeness Valley, \$5,000 to complete construction of new building in Sequim.

Olympic Media, \$5,000 to fund two basic emergency two-way radio systems that will provide for the field, gathering and dissemination of vital information to the Port Townsend community in the event of a disaster.

Olympic Neighbors, \$5,000 to support developmentally disabled adult programs at new facility in Jefferson County.

Puget Sound Voyaging Society, \$5,000 to fund Shelter from the Storm, a job-training and paid internship project for 18- to 25-year-olds who will construct tiny homes that Bayside Housing will use to address homelessness in Jefferson County.

Recreation Northwest, \$5,000 for Parkscription public health campaign in Bellingham.

Scarlet Road, \$10,000 for equipment purchase and security enhancements to facility in Bremerton.

South Kitsap Helpline, \$5,000 to purchase food needed for Helpline's food programs that served more than 8,000 low income children, adults and seniors in 2018.

Western Washington University Foundation, \$5,000 to fund a program that engages community members with Western Washington University faculty and students to address real challenges in a low income, rural community in East Whatcom County.

Economic Development Grants Awarded:

Center for Inclusive Entrepreneurship, \$50,000 to deliver the First Steps business training program to emerging entrepreneurs from low income and underserved communities in Clallam and Jefferson counties.

Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Capital, Inc., \$75,000 to create the Emerald Coast Opportunity Zone Prospectus, a marketing tool aimed at maximizing investments in designated zones in Clallam and Jefferson counties.

North Olympic Regional Veterans Housing Network, \$25,000 for construction of a new retail shop employing disabled vets in Forks.

Northwest School of Wooden Boatbuilding, \$25,000 to fund scholarships and state-of-the-art equipment for marine systems training programs that provide vocational training and career services for low income students from Jefferson, Clallam and Kitsap counties.

2020 Contributions:

Affordable Housing Grants Awarded:

Kitsap Rescue Mission: \$50,000 to rebuild the roof of Kitsap County's only emergency, year-round, low-barrier shelter for homeless individuals and families. This grant will enable the Kitsap Rescue Mission, whose building had been closed, to reopen and resume providing on-site services.

Lydia Place: \$50,000 to break ground this summer on Whatcom County's Heart House, an 11-unit permanent, supportive, low-income housing project for homeless mothers with children from prenatal through age 5. Heart House will also provide on-site childcare and supportive services to promote long-term stability to disrupt the cycle of homelessness.

Community Development Grants Awarded:

Trinity United Methodist Church: \$50,000 to make the 149-year-old building fully ADA compliant, doubling the number of community service organizations benefiting from their free and affordable function space, and continuing to serve as the only infant and drop-in childcare facility in Port Townsend.

Whatcom Family YMCA: \$50,000 to support the construction of a new and larger early learning facility to alleviate the severe childcare shortage that Whatcom County is experiencing.

Community Support Grants Awarded:

Helpline House: \$10,000 to support Helpline House's Kid's Pantry Program. This program provides 100 bags of nutritious, kid-friendly foods to meet the weekly needs of Kitsap County's children, which is particularly needed now that free or reduced-price lunch through schools is not available.

Jefferson County Farmers Markets Association: \$10,000 to strengthen the food security of those with low incomes by offering a dollar-for-dollar match when shoppers use SNAP or other food assistance currencies to purchase nutritious fresh fruits and vegetables at any of seven farmers markets in Jefferson, Kitsap and Clallam Counties.

North Olympic Foster Parent Association: \$5,000 to update the clothing closet with new and necessary items, purchase backpacks and school supplies, and furnish items needed for the Annual Holiday Dinner, all in support of Clallam County's foster children and foster families.

Port Angeles Food Bank: \$10,000 to support the food bank in optimizing their operations, developing staff and board capacity, and growing their volunteer program in preparation for an expected increase in usage caused by the pandemic, as well as the Food Bank's upcoming move and facility expansion.

The Arc of the Peninsulas: \$10,000 to fund the Full Circle Meals Program, providing meals to the underserved and those on the "front lines" during the COVID crisis, while supporting the Kitsap restaurant community and helping to restore the local economy.

Washington State University Kitsap Extension: \$5,000 to purchase a moveable cold storage trailer system that will allow fresh produce to be transported to and from food access sites for use by Kitsap Harvest and other area nonprofits' food programs.

COVID-19 Emergency Response Grants Awarded:

Clallam Community Foundation (United Way of Clallam County): \$25,000

Jefferson Community Foundation: \$25,000

Kitsap Community Foundation: \$25,000

Whatcom Community Foundation: \$25,000

Total Grants Awarded through May 2020: \$4,026,500