



Puyallup Tribe of Indians

# *spuyaləpabš*



The Puyallup Tribe of Indians is committed to practicing our traditions and ways of life. With Tribal members living across the cities of Tacoma, Fife, Milton, Edgewood, Puyallup, and Federal Way, we know well the challenges of balancing modern city living with the ways of life our ancestors fought for.

We're dedicated to protecting the lands and waters that have sustained us for thousands of years. We pass these values

onto our children, sharing with them *txwəłšucid*, our ancestral dialect of the Lushootseed language that connects us to our neighboring tribes.

The Puyallup Tribe is a sovereign nation within the United States. We serve our people and our neighbors with generosity—the heart of who we are.

*syəcəb ʔə tiit ʔiišədčəł*

**The Story of Our People**



# Our Commitment to the Next Generation

*ʔuʔabəłxəčbid čət ti  
syayusčət txʷəl kʷədi łulitlaq  
łuʔacitłalbixʷ łuləʔəłʰ*

We're a sovereign nation of more than 5,000 members, many of whom live on or near the 30 square miles of our reservation. Our seven-member Tribal Council is committed to the well-being and prosperity of the Puyallup people.

Operating over 63 tribal and community service programs, we strive to make the most impact in our generosity by focusing investments in:

**Education support** from tuition assistance in higher education and sports, arts, tutoring, language, and mentorship activity assistance.

**Health and well-being**, including medical assistance, disease prevention, and community health.

**Affordable Housing** is made a safe and plausible option through rental assistance

and home ownership opportunities. Planning and community development that protects, preserves, and enhances the fisheries, natural, cultural, economic, and land resources for the Tribe.

**Natural Resource Protection** overseeing water and air quality, wildlife, lands and fisheries.

**Business Development Investments** leading to employment opportunities that benefit local, regional, and state economies.

**Cultural Protection** building a healthy community for current and future generations.

**Law Enforcement and Courts** emphasize restorative justice in efforts to generate peace and welfare on the reservation and beyond.



*Pəsxid ti dəxʷʔuʔiʔabilcəʔ*

# *Our Business Enterprises*



Our economy has always centered around our relationships to the lands and the waters. Today, our prosperity still comes from our natural resources, but new entities and partnerships have allowed us to play an expanded role in the local and regional economy.

- » Our largest business, the **Emerald Queen Casino**, provides an array of benefits to our members and the local economy. Our new casino expansion will create over 100 new jobs and \$1.5 billion in economic impact over 10 years.
- » **Marine View Ventures** maximizes the social and economic value of Puyallup tribal assets by creating jobs, promoting financial stability, and reacquiring ancestral lands.
- » With roots in meaningful tradition, we created **Medicine Creek Analytics** as the first tribal cannabis test lab in the country. We're developing safe, natural medicines to help cancer patients.

Puyallup Tribal Housing, 7 Directions Architects

## *The Tribe's Economic Contributions by the Numbers*

**6th**

Largest employer in  
Pierce County

**3,400**

Total  
workforce

**5.5M**

Chinook, Coho, Chum,  
and Steelhead supported  
by three hatcheries.

**\$22M**

Tribe's charitable  
contributions over the  
past 10 years to hundreds  
of organizations

**\$10M**

Spent by the Tribe on  
local road and utility  
infrastructure improvements  
in the past decade





# Be kind. Be helpful. Be sharing.

*Ḳ'ububḲ'ub, k'ax'alik',  
ʔabalik'*

Everything that we do as a Nation allows us to give back to our members and the neighboring community, building a sustainable way of life for future generations.

In 2017 alone, the tribe has contributed \$2.2 million to over a hundred different organizations focusing on issues ranging from homelessness and housing to literacy programs, medical research, and

job training. Under the gaming compact to address Casino impacts, Puyallup reimburses the cities of Tacoma and Fife, along with Pierce County, for fire and police protection (emergencies) as well as justice services.

In the past 10 years the Tribe's charitable contributions have totaled over \$22 million to hundreds of organizations in our community throughout the state.

*ʔutixalik' čəł tił ʔiisədčəł*

**We take care of our people.**



**the PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS**  
GENEROUS AND WELCOMING TO ALL PEOPLE

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