

Ben B. Cheney Foundation 2021 Annual Report

Executive Director's Report

I'm pleased to present the 2021 annual report for the Ben B. Cheney Foundation. As we all know, 2021 continued to be a tumultuous time for all. Our nonprofit partners faced many hurdles as they tried to navigate through the limited recovery from the Covid Pandemic. In this environment, the Foundation's board of directors made a deliberate decision to overspend its required distribution by nearly 25% or nearly a million dollars.

As you browse the categories you will see that health care and basic needs received much support. One of our largest grants was for the construction of a new Mary Bridge Children's Hospital here in Tacoma. Mary Bridge has had a soft spot with the Foundation's board of directors on both a professional and personal level. This new state of the art hospital will serve the Tacoma-Pierce County community and beyond for many years to come.

The continuing explosion of food insecurity and affordable housing are being felt everywhere. In 2020, the Cheney Foundation diverted much of its support to operating expenses for nonprofits. We continued this support into 2021. Our board of directors has always favored bricks and mortar projects and the purchase of equipment over operating and program expenses. The former priority was set to give organizations the ability to provide services for the long-term. This continues to be important to us.

Thus, we were glad to see the re-emergence of capital campaigns in 2021. Many of these projects that were underway had to be put on hold. However, the budgets became horribly impacted by increased costs and supply-chain issues.

I would be remiss if I didn't welcome our three new board members: Andrew Cheney, Jordan Beckingham and Mallory Delabar. This younger generation of Cheney family members brings a new energy, excitement, and passion to our grantmaking. We look forward to their input and ideas.

Lastly, the Cheney Foundation continues to congratulate and applaud our nonprofit partners. Their perseverance and ability to pivot during these last couple of years is remarkable and a testament to their compassion and hearts to serve.



President &
Executive Director

2021 Grants

Category	Organization Name	City	State	Project Name	Amount
Charity					\$ 632,300
	Emergency Food Network	Lakewood	WA	General Operations - Continuing Impacts of COVID-19	100,000
	Emergency Food Network	Lakewood	WA	Annual Holiday Grant Program	7,500
	Gig Harbor Peninsula FISH	Gig Harbor	WA	Building the Future Capital Campaign	100,000
	Gig Harbor Peninsula FISH	Gig Harbor	WA	Holiday Grant	7,500
	Great Northern Services	Weed	CA	Meals on Wheels Delivery Vehicle	6,000
	Lenny and the DreamMakers	University Place	WA	Wherever the Need is Greatest.	2,500
	Network Tacoma	Tacoma	WA	Low-Income Housing Rehab	15,000
	Nourish Pierce County	Tacoma	WA	Annual Holiday Grant Program	7,500
	Rescue Mission	Tacoma	WA	Wherever the Need is Greatest	2,500
	Rescue Mission	Tacoma	WA	Annual Holiday Grant Program	7,500
	Rescue Mission	Tacoma	WA	Good Neighbor Cafe Freezer Project	75,000
	Saint Vincent de Paul	Tacoma	WA	Homeless Prevention and Basic Needs Program	15,000
	Salvation Army NW	Seattle	WA	Olympia Shelter Mattress Replacement Project	5,000
	Salvation Army Puyallup Valley Corps	Puyallup	WA	Annual Holiday Grant Program	7,500
	Salvation Army Tacoma Corps	Tacoma	WA	Annual Holiday Grant Program	7,500
	The Saints' Pantry Food Bank	Shelton	WA	Walk-in Cooler/Freezer Purchase and Installation	10,000
	United Way of Northern California	Redding	CA	Wildfire Relief Due to Dixie Fire	250,000
	USO Inc.	Seattle	WA	Freezer Replacement at JBLM Warehouse	6,300
Civic					\$ 509,005
	Buffalo Soldiers Museum	Tacoma	WA	Celebrating Baseball and History	500
	Candid	New York	NY	Connecting Nonprofits to the Resources They Need	1,500
	Cispus Learning Center	Randle	WA	Tower Rock Pavilion Roof Replacement	13,000
	City of Vader	Vader	WA	Werden Park Project	15,000
	Gig Harbor Kiwanis Foundation	Gig Harbor	WA	4th Annual Gig Harbor Veterans Day Celebration	3,000
	Greater Metro Parks Foundation	Tacoma	WA	Ruston Way Renovation Project	150,000
	Key Peninsula Civic Center Association	Vaughn	WA	KPCC Masonry Repair	14,000
	Lakehead Volunteer Fire Company	Lakehead	CA	Lakehead Volunteer Fire Company Remodel Project	15,000
	Nichols Community Center	Fox Island	WA	Window Restoration Project	30,000
	Olympia Film Society	Olympia	WA	Capitol Theater Renovations Campaign	25,000
	Philanthropy Northwest	Seattle	WA	2021 Grantmaking Activities	5,405
	Port Townsend Marine Science Center	Port Townsend	WA	Point of Sale System for Increased Capacity	9,000
	South Sound Planned Giving Council	Gig Harbor	WA	Leave10 South Sound	15,000
	Tacoma Athletic Commission	Tacoma	WA	ClubRunner, Zoom equipment, and 2021 AOY program.	8,100
	Trinidad Museum Society	Trinidad	CA	Wherever the Need is Greatest	5,000

Culture					\$ 160,000
Key City Players, Inc	Port Townsend	WA	Facility Remodel and Technology Upgrades	10,000	
Museum of Glass	Tacoma	WA	New Furnace for Hot Shop	45,000	
Pioneer Farm Museum	Eatonville	WA	Activity Cabin and Blacksmith Shop Roof Replacements	25,000	
Sequim City Band	Sequim	WA	Swisher Hall Remodel	40,000	
Symphony Tacoma	Tacoma	WA	2021-22 and 2022-23 Symphony Seasons	40,000	
Education					\$ 287,000
Eagle Point School District	Eagle Point	OR	2021 Charley Givan Scholarships	10,000	
Charles Wright Academy	Tacoma	WA	Athletics Facilities Community Improvements	25,000	
Pacific Lutheran University	Tacoma	WA	Cheney Merit Scholarships 2021-23	60,000	
Merle Palmer Minority Scholarship	Tacoma	WA	Video Conferencing System Project	2,700	
Brehm Preparatory School Foundation	Carbondale	IL	Wherever the Need is Greatest	500	
Degrees of Change	Tacoma	WA	Seed Internships - Supporting Two Nonprofit Interns	14,000	
Northwest Education Access	Seattle	WA	Supporting Youth Access to Post-Secondary Degrees	40,000	
University of Puget Sound	Tacoma	WA	Annual Fund	3,000	
University of Washington Tacoma	Tacoma	WA	Sports Enterprise Management Program Development	100,000	
Willie Stewart Academy	Tacoma	WA	Wherever the Need is Greatest	2,500	
Communities In Schools of Peninsula	Vaughn	WA	Expansion of General Youth Services to New Schools	15,000	
Classroom Law Project	Portland	OR	Civics Reach Initiative: Southern Oregon Expansion	15,000	
Elderly					\$ 20,000
Lutheran Community Services NW	SeaTac	WA	Strategic Planning Grant	10,000	
Washington State Senior Games	Olympia	WA	2021 Washington State Senior Games	10,000	
Health					\$1,353,600
Cancer Lifeline of King County	Seattle	WA	Increased Support for Cancer Patients in Pierce County	5,000	
HopeSparks	Tacoma	WA	Behavioral Health Expansion	40,000	
MultiCare Health Foundations	Tacoma	WA	Mary Bridge Children's Hospital Capital Campaign	1,000,000	
MultiCare Health Foundations	Tacoma	WA	COVID-19 Pop Up Clinics	200,000	
MultiCare Health Foundations	Tacoma	WA	Pediatric Occupational & Physical Therapy	3,500	
Northwest Kidney Centers	Seattle	WA	New Port Angeles Clinic	50,000	
Shriners Hospital for Children	Portland	OR	Medford Off-Site Clinic	15,000	
Simpson University	Redding	CA	Equipping Nursing Students to Serve the Community	40,000	
Social Services					\$ 259,000
Associated Ministries	Tacoma	WA	Racial Equity Design Project	30,000	
Associated Ministries	Tacoma	WA	Wherever the Need is Greatest	2,500	
Bay Center Food Bank	Bay Center	WA	Sidewalk and Pavement Renovations	18,000	

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HopeSparks	Tacoma	WA	Wherever the Need is Greatest	2,500
Jacksonville Community Center	Jacksonville	OR	Coordinated Community Services	12,000
Jumping Mouse Children's Center	Port Townsend	WA	Technology for Accessibility Project.	15,000
Key Peninsula Healthy Community	Vaughn	WA	Building a Connected Key Peninsula	10,000
Morningside	Olympia	WA	Port Angeles Parking Lot Repair	5,000
Nourish Pierce County	Tacoma	WA	Operating Support Due to Continuing COVID Impacts	50,000
Options for Homeless Residents of Ashland	Ashland	OR	OHRA Center Renovations	50,000
Rainbow Center	Tacoma	WA	Workstation Replacement	14,000
Sibling Strong	Port Orchard	WA	Sibling Strong Activities	5,000
Special Olympics Washington	Seattle	WA	Dual Program Delivery	15,000
Truly Motivated Transitional Living	Yelm	WA	Outdoor Meeting Space for the Recovery Community	15,000
Y.W.C.A., Tacoma-Pierce County	Tacoma	WA	Up Up and Away Elevator Campaign	15,000

Youth**\$ 760,000**

Ben B. Cheney Foundation	Tacoma	WA	2021 High School Scholarship Program	93,000
Asia Pacific Cultural Center	Tacoma	WA	Promised Leaders of Tomorrow Youth Program	40,000
Boys & Girls Club of Greater Shasta	Mount Shasta	CA	Beyond the Walls- Mobile Pop-Up Clubs	50,000
Boys & Girls Club of Olympic Peninsula	Sequim	WA	Carroll C. Kendall Club Refresh	25,000
Boys & Girls Clubs of South Puget Sound	Tacoma	WA	Operating Support	65,000
Fellowship of Christian Athletes	Kansas City	MO	Expanding FCA's Impact in Pierce County	30,000
Girls on the Run of West Sound	Tracyton	WA	Wherever the Need is Greatest	2,500
Hope Floats Foundation Inc	Woodbridge	VA	Scholarships for children from Pierce and Kitsap Counties	3,000
Hoquiam School District	Hoquiam	WA	Baseball Field and Grizzly Sports Complex	35,000
Pacific International League	Mercer Island	WA	2021 Season Support	25,000
Safe Streets	Tacoma	WA	AmeriCorps - Imagine Justice Project	75,000
Sparta Athletic Association	Sparta	IL	Wherever the Need is Greatest	500
Ted Brown Music Outreach	Tacoma	WA	Live It OutLoud Summer Rock School	11,000
University of Portland	Portland	OR	Baseball Program Support	5,000
Willapa Harbor Sea Scouts, BSA	Gig Harbor	WA	Ship Maintenance, Registrations and Publicity	10,000
Y.M.C.A. of Pierce and Kitsap Counties	Tacoma	WA	Kids Night 2021	30,000
Youth Marine Foundation	Tacoma	WA	Curtis Replacement effort.	5,000
Youth Marine Foundation	Tacoma	WA	Replace the Curtis - Vessel Purchase	250,000
Zee Speed	Tacoma	WA	ZeeSpeed Youth Endurance Camp	5,000

Matching Gifts**\$ 23,453**

Ben B. Cheney Foundation	Tacoma	WA	Matching Gifts for Board, Staff and Family Members	23,453
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Total Grants Awarded in 2021**\$ 4,005,458**



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