2019 Annual Report



Greetings from the Director...

My Dear Friends & Relations,

We are grateful for another year of resilience and connection with you.

This year, you helped the Suquamish Foundation raise funds for Suquamish Legacy Park, with a playground based on Tribal stories and values. Because of you - our friends, supporters and community, the dream became a reality. The funds you raised filled the gap for the last phase of park construction and you can expect to see the park up by the end summer!

This is an exciting time and we look forward to sharing it with you in 2020.



Robin Little Wing Sigo

In Solidarity and Joy, Robin Little Wing Sigo



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2019 Sovereign Style "Street-Wear"

The excitement was palpable in the House of Awakened Culture as last minute make-up was applied and regalia arranged. Suquamish Foundation staff had been on site for hours, setting out Sovereign Style merchandise, arranging cupcakes and infused water beverages, and positioning the spotlight to light up

the runway where models, mostly friends and family, would soon be showing their styles. Outside, Auggie's Backyard BBQ had food ready to serve, and inside, Deb De Beauchamp and her Olympic College Fashion Mer-

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dents were helping the models get ready. In all, 30 volunteers helped put on the event that showcases the beauty, pizzazz, originality, and sovereignty of indigenous designers.

The house filled quickly with more than 200 family, friends, elders and youth, along with visitors in town for the fall conference of ATNI (Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians).

Sovereign Style had begun.

"All of our designers are forging a path of strength and resilience for future generations and making our ancestors smile upon us," said Robin Sigo, Suquamish Tribal Council Treasurer and director of the Suquamish Foundation.

It was Sigo and her team at the

Suquamish Foundation who brought Sovereign Style from idea to reality. Sovereign Style is an annual fundraising event that does much more than raise money. It's a place for young people and others without a lot of resources to be part of charitable giving. It's a way to

support important community projects – this year, \$6000 will go to Legacy Park, the new park that will connect the Suquamish Museum with the Veterans Memorial. And it's a way to celebrate the beauty, culture, and contemporary expres-

sion of Native artists and designers. The theme for this year's event was Street Wear. Tessa Sayers was the featured artist.

With the help of Suquamish models, the hundreds in attendance were treated to creations that are part of her brand, Soul Curiosity. Others also showcased their street wear, and individuals shared how they represent the Seahawks. A highlighted segment was the "Blanket Walk" which featured blankets designed by Louie Gong.



Tessa Sayers (Soul Curiosity) and featured participants in photo mash-up Photo credit to Landon Acohido



Alaina Capoeman, Joseph Jr. Holmes and Magdalene Sanders fashioned from head to toe in the Seahawks pieces created for the show.



Tribal Member Joey Holmes donning 8th Gen blanket in the featured "Blanket Walk"

A TIME TO

Dinner & Auction at Kiana Lodge

It was an honor for us at the Suguamish Foundation to have had our friends join us at our first fundraising event of the year; "A Time to Gather" on April 27th, 2019 at the beautiful Kiana Lodge where we enjoyed dinner and cocktails, both a live and silent auction featuring original art by Native artists and donated experiential activities. With our friends, community members, dig-



Suguamish Tribal Chairman and Suguamish Foundation President speaking at A Time to Gather

nitaries and family.

The focus of fundraising this year is Legacy Park, a project we have been working to fund since 2016. Legacy Park will connect the museum with downtown Suguamish with trails, gathering places, and a cultural playground featuring Suquamish stories and values. The stories include "How Blue Jay Saved Daylight," "Orcas Escorting Our Ancestors," "Basket Ogress.

We are in our last big fundraising push to purchase the playground equipment and complete the traditional landscaping for the Enthusiastic partners and supporters came together to raise \$20 million to launch our



Mary Kummer, Tachini Pete and enjoying time together

successful "Building for Cultural Resurgence Capital Campaign," which supported the beautiful new Museum, Community House, Community Dock, and new Early Learning Center. It is exciting to see such positive change in a few short years, to recognize the generosity of so many contributors and to come together to support and celebrate our on-going work and mutual benefit.



Jay Mills discussing items in his notoriously delicious Smoked Clam Basket donation

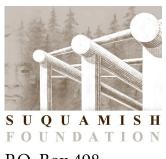
Thank you for sharing a vibrant evening with us and for contributing toward a more healthy community

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2019 FINANCIALS

Revenue & Expenditures

Donations \$57,396

Employee Donations \$13,500

Income \$96,550

Salaries \$26,092

Fringe \$6,467

Travel & Training \$1,887

Contractual \$300

Supplies & Materials \$49,750

Indirect Costs \$2,934

Fund Balance \$80,016

Total Appendix X

Contributions donated to other Non-

Profits, Sports Programs & Schools

\$321,845

UPCOMING FOUNDATION EVENTS

Sovereign Style November 2020

Fashion Showcase

Winter Cheer December 2020

Community Lighting