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Rayonier Provides Grants to 35 Nonprofit Organizations in Washington

WILDLIGHT, Fla. – Rayonier announced the award of \$74,380 to 35 local nonprofit organizations serving communities across Washington. The company hosted their annual special awards breakfasts in Aberdeen and Forks to honor and celebrate the recipients.

The Rayonier Community Fund supports a range of community needs, including civic, cultural, educational, environmental, natural resources, and health and human services programs.

“Our success is inextricably linked to the success of these organizations,” said Mike Mackelwich, Rayonier’s director of operations for the Pacific Resource Unit. “The work they do is vital to the health and well-being of our communities, and it’s a privilege for Rayonier to be able to contribute to their causes.”

Clallam County Commissioner Randy Johnson, District 2, and Commissioner Mike French, District 3, joined the awards breakfast in Forks. Also in attendance were Forks City Attorney and Planner Rod Fleck, Deputy Sean Hoban of the Clallam County Sheriff’s office and District Chief Bill Paul of the Clallam County Fire Department.

Present at the awards breakfast in Aberdeen were Rep. Jim Walsh, District 19, and Eric Baker, Kitsap County’s acting county administrator.

“It was so encouraging to see Rayonier support local organizations that do great things on the Harbor,” said Rep. Jim Walsh, District 19. “This is the way it should be: a good corporate citizen helping make communities and peoples’ lives better; we all need more of this.”

Grant recipients who attended this year’s breakfasts were also asked to contribute nonperishable items for the Forks Community Food Bank and gifts for local toy drives presented to the Hoquiam Association for Kids.

The following organizations received support through the Rayonier Community Fund this year:

Agriculture and Forestry Education Foundation

American Red Cross, Forks

American Red Cross, Grays Harbor
American Red Cross, Kitsap County
Appelo Archives Center
Camp Victory for Children
Chimacum Backpacks for Kids
City of Aberdeen (Park n Play)
City of Hoquiam (Historical Landmark
Preservation)
Coastal Harvest
Concerned Citizens
Dispute Resolution Center of Grays Harbor &
Pacific County
Family Promise of Grays Harbor
Forks Community Food Bank
Friends of Highland Park and Parks of
Cosmopolis
Grays Harbor College Foundation
Grays Harbor Youth Works

Habitat for Humanity of Grays Harbor
Harmony Hill Healing Retreat
Hoquiam Association for Kids
Martha & Mary Lutheran Services
NatureBridge
North Kitsap Fishline Food Bank
North Olympic Peninsula Railroaders
Pacific Education Institute
Polson Park & Museum Historical Society
Port Gamble S'Klallam Foundation
South Kitsap School District
The Caring Place of West Clallam County
The Salvation Army of Grays Harbor
United Way of Clallam County
United Way of Grays Harbor
United Way of Kitsap County
Volunteer Hospice of Clallam County
YMCA of Grays Harbor

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Photo Captions

Follow this [link](#) for pictures from the Forks breakfast.

1. Rayonier representatives and grant recipient, left to right.
Mike Mackelwich, Jennifer Kidder, Tyler Murray and Dennis Cox.
2. Rayonier representatives and grant recipient, left to right.
Mike Mackelwich, Tyler Murray, Pam Cantrell and Dennis Cox.
3. Grant recipients, left to right.
Lisa Palermo, Veronica Sorrell, Deborah Cejo-Cisneros, Linda Middleton and Commissioner Mike French.

Follow this [link](#) for pictures from the Aberdeen breakfast.

1. Rayonier representatives and grant recipient, left to right.
Bill Monahan, George Brulotte, Leslie Goings, Mark Smalley and Mike Mackelwich.
2. Rayonier representatives and grant recipient, left to right.
Bill Monahan, George Brulotte, Becky Fontaine, Mark Smalley and Mike Mackelwich.
3. Group photo of 2023 grant recipients with Rayonier representatives.