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GAMING COMMISSION AWARDS OVER \$1.9 MILLION IN ALLOCATIONS

Hagerstown, Md. (August 6, 2013) – The Washington County Gaming Commission announced its gaming fund distribution to the Washington County Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association, as well as 99 local charitable organizations.

In January, the Washington County Fire and Rescue Association received \$404,900.00 in gaming funds. As a result of today's announcement, Fire and Rescue will receive an additional \$545,229.54 bringing the association's yearly to \$950,129.54.

In May, the Washington County Gaming Commission received 119 separate applications from 105 charitable organizations requesting a total of \$2,475,057.88.

After a one-day workshop in June, and two days of public hearings in July, the Commission was able to either partially or fully fund 107 of the 119 requests. Of the 119 applications received, 20 received full funding, 87 received partial funding, and 12 were denied funding. A total of \$950,129.55 was allocated to 99 of the 105 charitable organizations applying.

The Community Free Clinic received the largest award of \$175,000 followed by Safe Place Child Advocacy Center, which received \$64,740.

The Gaming Fund totaled \$1,900,259.09 for fiscal year 2013, which ended June 30, represents a 2.23% increase versus fiscal year 2012 revenues. State law requires funds to be divided equally between the Washington County Fire and Rescue Association and local charities.

Since the funds distributed do not come from the County's general fund, it allows the County to assist the numerous non-profits without impacting tax payers.

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Fiscal Year 2013 Gaming Fund Awards

ORGANIZATION	AWARD
Alsatia Club Foundation Inc.	\$4,000.00
Alzheimer's Association	\$5,000.00
American Cancer Society	\$3,000.00
American Red Cross Wash. Co. MD Chapter	\$5,000.00
APPLES for Children	\$2,000.00
ARC of Washington County	\$5,570.00
Authentic Community Theatre	\$1,500.00
Baby Basics of Greater Hagerstown	\$2,000.00
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Washington Co.	\$15,000.00
Boys and Girls Club of Washington Co.	\$45,500.00
Breast Cancer Awareness of Cumberland Valley	\$3,000.00
Brook Lane Health Services, Inc.	\$10,000.00
CASA Inc.	\$5,388.97
Children in Need	\$40,000.00
Children's Village of Washington Co.	\$7,500.00
Clear Spring Little League	\$2,390.00
Community Free Clinic Inc.	\$175,000.00
Conococheague Little League	\$2,000.00
Corporation for Assistive Technology	\$2,566.00
Court Appointed Special Advocates Wash Co.	\$6,000.00
Discovery Station at Hagerstown	\$5,000.00
Doleman Black Heritage Museum Inc.	\$1,000.00
Easter Seals Greater Washington-Baltimore Rgn.	\$10,000.00
Exchange Club Parent Child Center	\$12,000.00
Federal Little League	\$2,000.00
Fort Ritchie Community Center	\$1,500.00
Girls on the Run of Washington County	\$1,000.00
Girl's Inc. of Washington County	\$47,800.00
Habitat for Humanity of Washington County	\$25,000.00
Hagerstown Area Police Athletic League	\$2,000.00
Hagerstown Choral Arts	\$1,460.00
Hagerstown Civil Air Patrol	\$2,250.00
Hagerstown Colt League	\$1,000.00
Hagerstown Community College Foundation Inc.	\$1,500.00
Hagerstown Day Nursery	\$5,000.00
Hagerstown Fire Police Association	\$2,000.00

Hagerstown Junior Basketball League	\$2,000.00
Hagerstown Model Railroad Museum Inc.	\$1,038.00
Hagerstown Pony League, Inc.	\$2,000.00
Hancock Historical Society Corp.	\$1,500.00
Hancock Little League	\$2,000.00
HEAL of Washington County, Maryland, Inc.	\$802.62
Humane Society of Washington County	\$5,000.00
Interfaith Service Coalition	\$15,000.00
Little League Baseball of Halfway	\$2,000.00
Little Wonders Animal Rescue	\$6,500.00
Make A Wish Foundation of Mid-Atlantic	\$7,500.00
Maryland Food Bank-Western Branch	\$25,000.00
Maryland Symphony Orchestra	\$3,000.00
Mason Dixon Council Boy Scouts of America	\$3,616.00
Maugansville Little League	\$2,500.00
Memorial Recreation Center	\$12,000.00
MIHI, Inc.	\$3,350.00
N.O.R.M.A.L. Inc.	\$5,000.00
National Little League	\$2,000.00
North High Band Boosters	\$1,500.00
Providing Relief for Autistic Youth Inc.	\$7,500.00
R.E.A.C.H.	\$60,000.00
Rohrersville Cornet Band of Washington County	\$1,788.00
Safe Place Child Advocacy Center	\$64,740.00
Salvation Army	\$40,000.00
San Mar Children's Home	\$3,000.00
Senior Living Alternatives	\$8,000.00
Sharpsburg Heritage Festival	\$1,000.00
Sharpsburg Historical Society	\$1,575.74
Sharpsburg Little League Inc.	\$2,000.00
South Hagerstown H.S. Rebel Band Boosters	\$1,000.00
South Mountain Little League	\$2,000.00
Special Olympics Maryland, Washington County	\$1,000.00
St. John's Shelter Inc.	\$3,000.00
Star Community Inc.	\$45,000.00
The Maryland Theatre	\$5,000.00
United States Fellowship Inc. / Oak Hill House	\$1,000.00
Unified Community Connections (UC2)	\$3,500.00
Valley Little League	\$2,000.00

Volunteer Assoc. for Potomac Center Inc.	\$3,578.48
W House inc.	\$13,081.00
Walnut St. Community Health Center Inc.	\$15,179.00
Washington County Ag Organization, Inc.	\$2,500.00
Washington Co. Agricultural Education Center	\$5,000.00
Washington Co. Community Action Council	\$5,000.00
Washington Co. Community Mediation Ctr.	\$3,000.00
Washington Co. Free Library	\$2,500.00
Washington Co. Historical Society	\$1,000.00
Washington County Human Development Council, Inc.	\$5,000.00
Washington County Junior Football League	\$2,000.00
Washington Co. Juniors Girls Volleyball Inc.	\$2,000.00
Washington Co. Leadership Development Pgm.	\$2,000.00
Washington Co. Museum of Fine Arts	\$3,000.00
Washington Co. Show Kids & Show Company Inc.	\$1,000.00
Washington Co. Teen Pregnancy Prev. Cltn.	\$4,000.00
Wells House	\$12,000.00
West End Little League	\$2,000.00
Western Maryland Aikikai	\$500.00
Western Maryland Hospital Ctr. Auxiliary	\$33,890.74
Williamsport Youth Wrestling Club	\$2,000.00
Women of Valor Ministries Inc	\$2,000.00
Women's Club Foundation	\$3,565.00
YMCA	\$5,000.00
Sub Total	\$950,129.55
Washington Co. Vol. Fire & Rescue Association	\$950,129.54
Total Disbursed Funds	\$1,900,259.09

Applications Received	
Total Funding Requested	\$2,475,057.88
Total Applications Received	119
Number of Organizations Submitting Applications	105
Number of Organizations Submitting Multiple Applications	12
Total Number of Applications Receiving Funding	107
Total Number of Applications Receiving Full Funding	20
Total Number of Applications Denied Funding	12
Total Number of Organizations Receiving Funding	99
Total Number of Organizations Denied Funding	6

Awards of Funding by Program Type	Amount Awarded	% (Rounded)
Public Safety (Fire & Rescue Assoc. Included)	\$1,019,119.54	54%
Health Services	\$339,023.36	18%
Adult Services	\$210,869.97	11%
Youth Services	\$212,994.48	11%
Recreation	\$60,390.00	3%
Civic	\$6,000.00	0.25%
Education	\$5,000.00	0.25%
Cultural / Arts	\$35,361.74	2%
Animal Welfare	\$11,500.00	0.50%

Awards by Amount	Number of Organizations Receiving
\$0 - \$9,999	79
\$10,000 - \$19,999	9
\$20,000 - \$29,999	2
\$30,000 - \$39,999	1
\$40,000 - \$49,999	5
\$50,000 - \$59,999	0
\$60,000 - \$69,999	2
\$175,000	1

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About Washington County Gaming Commission

The Washington County Gaming Commission is a volunteer seven member board appointed by the County Delegation and County Commissioners. Established by the State Legislature in 1995, the Commission is responsible to ensure the revenue produced by Tip Jars played in the County’s clubs, taverns, liquor stores, and restaurants is equitably distributed. Since its inception, the Commission has provided over \$49 million to charities and fire and rescue companies in Washington County.

About Washington County, Maryland Government

Washington County, Maryland Government strives to fulfill its duty to the citizens of Washington County with regard to operational efficiency, fiscal responsibility, and responsiveness to the needs of the community. This vision is used to ably assist the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County in achieving goals for moving the County forward as present needs and future plans are addressed.

According to the Maryland Department of Legislative Services, the Washington County General Fund has one of the lowest costs per capita for services provided of all 23 counties and Baltimore City. This is

attributed to the efficiency, staffing levels, and cost containment exhibited in Washington County Government operations. Visit www.washco-md.net for more information.

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