Convening focuses on joint climate resilience
Tribal, state, community deepen relationships

In partnership with The California Endowment (TCE) and the Office of Governor Gavin Newsom, HAF+WRCF hosted the CA Climate Resilience Network and Philanthropy Convening on June 26-28. On June 26, the CORE Hub Team met with TCE staff and fellow grantees who are part of the TCE Climate Resiliency Social Impact Bond portfolio. The purpose of the convening, held at the Blue Lake Hotel and Casino, was to deepen relationships and learn about each other’s climate resilience efforts.


On June 28, the Tribal Climate Resilience Network, consisting of Tribal Leaders from the Blue Lake Rancheria, Hoopa Valley Tribe, Karuk Tribe, Resighini Rancheria, and Trinidad Rancheria, met with the philanthropic partners, CORE Hub Team and HAF+WRCF staff. Their purpose: to share the work happening in Tribal Nations around climate resilience including challenges and opportunities.

The day concluded with the Funder Collaborative Meeting in which philanthropic partners discussed their learnings from the convening. The Governor’s Office staff shared their current climate resilience projects, and the group reflected on future climate resilience support for our rural and Tribal communities.

HAF+WRCF disbursed more than $130,000 in Strategy Grants in May to address pressing needs in Curry, Del Norte, Humboldt, and Trinity counties.

Recipients include those with projects and programs supporting resources for the 2S/LGBTQIA+ community, access to healthcare for vulnerable community members, and social emotional learning opportunities for children through the arts.

“Our region is filled with awe-inspiring community efforts that further a healthy, just, and equitable region where families can thrive,” said Craig Woods, Director of Strategy, Programs, and Community Solutions for HAF+WRCF. “We are grateful for the opportunity to engage with and support these hardworking charitable groups.”

Over $550,000 in Strategy Grants have been disbursed since July 2022.

See the full list of recipients at hafoundation.org/news.
Connecting with Curry Coast Tribes

In June, HAF+WRCF staff members visited several cities along the coast of Curry County, meeting with community members of Brookings, Gold Beach, and Port Orford.

The purpose of the trip was to deepen relationships with the coastal tribes and Indigenous-led nonprofit leaders. They met with representatives of the Northwest American Indian Coalition, Tolowa Dee-ni’ Nation, Northwest American Indian Coalition, Coquille Indian Tribe and Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians.

Quake recovery efforts continue

HAF+WRCF’s Earthquake Grantmaking for Rio Dell’s recovery process continues, in cooperation with the North Coast Grantmaking Partnership, City of Rio Dell, and Humboldt Eel River Long-term Recovery Group.

The Humboldt Eel River Long-term Recovery Group continues to coordinate cases weekly with the Disaster Case Management team to address mostly food and housing needs.

Recent grants include:

- A $25,000 Disaster Relief & Resilience Fund (DRRF) grant to the Humboldt COAD for “Building Backbone Governance, Leadership, and Support Structure after Earthquakes.”
- A $30,000 North Coast Grantmaking Partnership grant to the Humboldt Eel River Long-term Recovery Group for the “Earthquake Planning & Building Permit Incentive Program for Owner-Occupied Homeowners in Humboldt.”
- A $3,000 DRRF grant to the Humboldt Eel River Long-term Recovery Group for the “Administration & Management of the Earthquake Planning & Building Permit Incentive Program.”

HAF+WRCF’s summer grants distributed to youth programs

Summer youth programs across Humboldt, Del Norte, Trinity and Curry counties received grants ranging from $500 to $3,000 from the generous affiliates, funders and partners of HAF+WRCF.

A total of $50,634 in grants were distributed to 43 charitable organizations and projects that offer programs with quality educational and outdoor stewardship activities, artistic and recreational activities, and scholarships for vulnerable youth in the region.

The Summer Youth Partnership Mini-Grant Program is supported by HAF+WRCF, McLean Foundation, The Patricia D. & William B. Smullin Foundation, and Providence’s Community Health Investment. Individual funder contributions include Ed & Barbara Brattain Memorial Fund and Brattain Family Student Enrichment.

Grants in Humboldt County included those given to the Humboldt County Library’s summer reading program, Playhouse Arts’ Pageant on Plaza for young artists and performers, and the Hupa Family Resource Center’s celebration of Tribal sovereignty event.

In Curry County, the Port Orford Public Library Foundation will use grant money for its reading program. The Gold Beach Rotary Foundation will use its grant for a free carnival/recreational event for grade school children.

In Del Norte County, grants were distributed to the Hmong Cultural Center of Del Norte County for its “Family and Community Connection Program,” the Open Door Community Health Center for its wellness and gardening program, and the Del Norte Indian Education Center for its academic and cultural youth program.

In Trinity County, grants benefited the Weaverville, Hayfork and Lewiston Little League; clean-up of Lewiston Park Subdivision; and the Hayfork Community Ballfield Bleachers.

See the complete list of 2023 grant recipients at hafoundation.org/news.