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**YOCHA DEHE
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Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation honors philanthropic partners at 2nd annual luncheon

BROOKS, Calif. – The Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation Community Fund yesterday gathered with its grantees for the 2nd Annual Partners in Philanthropy Luncheon. This year, more than 200 people representing more than 80 organizations attended the event at the Tribal Community Center in Brooks.

Tribal Chairman Marshall McKay used the occasion to reaffirm Yocha Dehe’s longstanding commitment to support the greater community – the Yocha Dehe Community Fund has already surpassed the \$18 million mark in grants to nonprofit organizations, schools, and social service agencies, primarily in Yolo and Sacramento counties. McKay also discussed the fund’s six core areas of giving, including education, arts and culture, and Native health and wellness.

“The values of giving and sharing have always been an integral part of who we are as a people, and we intend to continue working for the benefit of this community together with our partners,” said Chairman McKay.

Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation has a longstanding culture of giving. The Yocha Dehe Community Fund was one of the first to be established by a Native American tribe in California and the Tribe is a recognized leader in local charitable giving. The Tribe recently released new guidelines for Community Fund grant applications. The new guidelines provide clear direction for applicants and specific information about the Fund’s goals and giving categories. The process of grant application is also clarified, providing a streamlined process for both applicants and the Fund alike. Please visit www.yochadehe.org for further details on the Community Fund.

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