



TULALIP TRIBES OF WASHINGTON
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)
Project: COAST SALISH ARTWORK

Issued: May 13, 2022

Deadline to respond: June 15, 2022

Address to mail/hand deliver proposal:

Tulalip Tribes of Washington

Attention: Teri Nelson, Tribal Services

6404 Marine Dr., Tulalip, WA. 98271

Must be postmarked/time and date stamped by 5pm June 15, 2022

1. BACKGROUND

Tulalip Tribes of Washington, a federally recognized Indian tribe, is in the process of constructing a Tiny Home Village with 17 one-and two-bedroom cottages and a community building. The project will be permanent supportive recovery housing, with services tailored to the needs of each household. The cottages will house individuals, couples and families with children with up to four family members. All residents will be homeless at entry. The tribes have named these homes: *Village of Hope*. Construction is scheduled to be completed by September 2022. Subsequently, we are accepting proposals from Coast Salish Artists to develop/design and create artwork for the front of the cabins.

2. PROPOSAL GUIDELINES

Proposed artwork can be a carving, painting, etched glass etc., (you propose the material), as long as it is Coast Salish design, and that the artists' expression represents the Tulalip people, stories and/or homelands. Additionally, the artwork is to represent a bird from Tulalip homelands, along with the bird's name written in Lushootseed. When responding, please provide a sketch of your vision, a narrative about your vision; and costs involved for materials and preparation time. Dimensions of the artwork range is no smaller than 10" x 10" and no larger than 12" x 12".



The artwork will be placed on the front-side of the cabins, on the non-window side of the door, and will be used as an identifier for each cabin. Each cabin will have its own unique art piece (bird). Twenty pieces of artwork are requested for the 17 cabins (as two of the cabins are duplexes) and one for the community building. An eagle design is to be used for the community building only. The Lushootseed bird name shall be displayed along with the art piece for each cabin and community building.

The *theme* we have selected is *Native Homeland Birds and Tree*. The bird names in Lushootseed can be found at: <https://tulaliplushootseed.com/birds-4/>. The *Native Homeland Birds* include: duck, pileated woodpecker, sparrow, fish hawk, pigeon, blue jay, california scrub jay, crow, seagull, mud swallow, raven, heron, chicken or pheasant, robin, swain's thrush, winter wren, great horned owl, downy woodpecker, hummingbird, goose, red tail hawk, cedar waxwing, fox sparrow, northern saw-whet owl, and eagle.

3. PROJECT BUDGET

The funding for this project comes from the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Funds. All federal and tribal procurement processes must be followed.

4. SELECTION CRITERIA

- a. Artist submitting the proposal must be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe.
- b. Tulalip Tribal members will be given preference in the selection process.
- c. Design must be Coast Salish and artist must follow the *theme* outlined for the project.

5. REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL AND PROJECT TIMELINE

- a. Proposal must be submitted by June 15, 2022.
- b. Proposal (sketches), will be reviewed and the artist selected by June 29, 2022. Specific location for review and selection to be decided by the Executive Director of Tribal Services.
- c. Deadline for final completed artwork will be August 1, 2022.

6. RESPONSES SHALL INCLUDE

- a. 20 Coast Salish design sketches of bird, with the name displayed in Lushootseed (include dimensions).
- b. Specify the kind/type of material used to create the artwork.
- c. Design narrative (describe what it is and what it represents according to your vision and/or Tulalip story).
- d. Your expected timeline to create, design, build and deliver artwork.
- e. Artist name, address, email and telephone numbers and copy of tribal identification from a federally recognized tribe.

Any responses that do not include all of the above shall not be considered.

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