



Small Community Council of the Year

San Francisco Tlingit & Haida Community Council



Accomplishments:

- Held five regular board meetings and maintained active members despite long distances traveled to participate.
- Awarded three \$500 scholarships to students.
- Held elections in accordance with Constitution and Rules of Election.
- Hosted a traditional cedar bark weaving hat class in collaboration with CALaska Culture.
- Hosted a premiere of Molly of Denali in partnership with KVIE Studios Sacramento, Southern Winds Dance Group and CALaska.
- Held an annual picnic and Christmas party to bring together the community.
- Community Council President established the Southern Winds Dance Group (Saanax Kwaan) to promote Alaska Native culture through singing, dancing, drumming, stories, history, kinship, regalia, artwork and food.
- Performed at several events such as American Indian Heritage Celebration, Sacramento River Cats Native American Heritage Night, Molly of Denali Premier, Annual Picnic, 3rd Annual Crab Feed, and Native Voice TV.
- Provided 27 backpacks full of supplies to students.
- Coordinated a clothing & essential needs drive for victims of the Camp Fire in Paradise, CA.
- Council member DonnaRae James founded CALaska to share knowledge and host culture camps and classes.
- Collaborated with Lauren Peters (Aleut) to host Alaskan Native Day at Fort Ross and Fort Ross Festival.
- Sent out quarterly newsletter and increased mailing list and e-mail subscriber list.
- Maintained the community council's website and Facebook page to provide outreach to tribal citizens and share important publications, event notices and forms.
- Council member Donna Rae James selected for 2020 Tlingit & Haida President's Award.

