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OlyFed Donates \$10,000 to Thurston County COVID-19 Response Fund

Today, Olympia Federal Savings (OlyFed) made a \$10,000 lead contribution to the Thurston County COVID-19 Response Fund.

The Community Foundation of South Puget Sound and United Way of Thurston County (UWTC) have partnered to establish this special fund, which is designed to complement the work of public health officials and expand local capacity to address all aspects of the outbreak as efficiently as possible.

"We've been a part of this community for 114 years and we thought it was important that we were one of the first to step up and support this vital effort," Lori Drummond, Olympia Federal Savings, President & CEO, said. "We can already see the health and economic impacts this is having on our friends and neighbors and this is one way we can help make a difference during this trying time."

"We are so grateful for OlyFed's leadership and support," Chris Wells, Executive Director with United Way of Thurston County said. "They are consistently one of the first organizations we call when we need a partner to help with critical issues because they are such a reliable and compassionate community member."

Donations to the Thurston County COVID-19 Response Fund can be made at: *unitedway-thurston.org/covid-19*.

"We encourage those local organizations and individuals that can help to support this special fund because it is directly assisting people in need right here at home," Drummond said.