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PRESS RELEASE

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The Skamania PUD Board of Commissioners unanimously approved a rebate program for people with loss of income as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The PUD is making an initial contribution in the amount of \$10,000 to the Hardship Assistance Program. In addition, it will match all private donations received up to \$25,000. With the support of our generous community, the PUD hopes to fully fund the program and significantly help those who have been impacted by the pandemic. All proceeds will directly benefit the customers who qualify for relief through the Hardship Assistance program. Donations can be called into the office or sent to the utility at PO Box 500, Carson, WA 98610. Please remit payment to Skamania PUD #1. Customers will also have the option to add a donation amount when they pay their utility bill. Donations are requested by June 1, 2020.

Effective immediately and until further notice, the PUD is accepting applications for the Hardship Assistance Program. To be eligible for the program, customers must complete an application and demonstrate proof of hardship and income. Qualifying applicants will establish a payment plan and are entitled to no more than one hardship waiver per household, per calendar year.

The application for COVID-19 Hardship Assistance is located on the PUD's web site: www.skamaniapud.com. To request a copy via e-mail or mail, please call 509-427-5126. While the office remains closed to the public, customer service representatives can be reached during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Please mail completed applications and required documentation to Skamania PUD, PO Box 500, Carson, WA 98610. Alternatively, completed application packets enclosed in an envelope can be placed in the payment box at the PUD office located at 1492 Wind River Road, Carson, WA.