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Pacific NW Federal Credit Union Hosts Financial Reality Fair and Donates Over \$12,000 to Parkrose School District in 2019

Financial "Reality Fair"

PNWFCU hosted a financial reality fair in October to help Parkrose High School students learn from and experience some of the real-life financial challenges they will face after graduation in a fun, interactive environment. Our goal is to empower students in our community to develop skills that lead to sound financial decisions and prepare them for success as adults. "I worked as a financial counselor at the Parkrose Financial Reality Fair," said Tom Griffith, Pacific NW FCU's CEO. "My role was to help students that had gone over budget find ways to cut spending. Over and over, I saw the "ah ha" moment as they realized that financial reality has trade-offs. The fancy new car has to go to pay for diapers and formula. This is why we do this, to show teens before they get into financial difficulties, there are ways to approach solid fiscal responsibility."

Prescott Elementary School

PNWFCU donated \$6,000 in backpacks and school supplies and volunteered 32 hours at Prescott School in September. This was done with our community partner, Schoolhouse Supplies.

Parkrose Educational Foundation

PNWFCU donated \$2,500 to the Parkrose Educational Foundation in April, including a tour of the Michael Curry Design studio for the Parkrose theater class.

Parkrose Middle School Sparrow Club

PNWFCU donated \$1,000 to sponsor "Sparrow hours" and empower students to help kids in medical need.

Sacramento Elementary School

PNWFCU collected over \$1,500 in gifts and warm clothing this holiday season for the students at Sacramento Elementary School.

Parkrose Youth Soccer

PNWFCU donated \$1,250 to the Parkrose Youth Soccer Club so that families who could not afford to pay for registration could still participate.

Parkrose High School

PNWFCU donated \$500 to the Future Business Leaders of America "Jam the Gym" in January.

About Pacific NW Federal Credit Union: Pacific NW Federal Credit Union is a member-owned financial cooperative helping people achieve financial health and independence. Founded in 1942, PNWFCU serves eight counties throughout the Portland Metro area. PNWFCU strives to serve members with the latest financial technology and services, like digital wallets, an online banking budgeting app, and creative home loan solutions. www.pnwfcu.org

