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## City Manager's Report February 2, 2021

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## **Lakeport Police Receive Defibrillator Funds**

The Lake County Health Consortium has donated \$6,800 to the Lakeport Police Department for the purchase of defibrillator (AED) units to be used in its vehicles.

Police officers are often the first arrivals at emergency scenes. "Having these units in police vehicles will greatly enhance our ability to save lives," according to Brad Rasmussen, Chief of Police. He expressed appreciation to the leadership and staff of Tribal Health for the service they provide to our community.

Ernesto Padilla, CEO of Lake County Tribal Health Consortium, states, "In the event of an accident or emergency, a matter of seconds can make the difference between a life or death outcome. We know that many times law enforcement officers are first on the scene at these events, and without advanced first aid equipment they are limited in the life saving efforts they can administer.

"Lake County Tribal Health Consortium (LCTHC) first became aware last year of the need for Automated External Defibrillators (AED) through the Lake County Sheriff's office. LCTHC donated funds for the purchase of five AEDs to be placed in patrol units for use in the field. Our LCTHC board decided to extend its donations to the Lakeport and Clearlake police departments.

"As the only comprehensive health care program in the county owned and operated by Lake County residents for Lake County residents, we take pride in participating and leading efforts that benefit the community, regardless of being our patients or not. In times of pandemic and government budget cuts, LCTHC believes in giving back to the community which has afforded our success."



LPD Officer Victor Rico, LPD Chief Brad Rasmussen, Lake County Tribal Health Consortium CEO Ernesto Padilla, Tribal Health CFO Bret Woods.

## **Tree Removal for Lakefront Park**

The City of Lakeport is preparing the final construction plans for the development of its new lakefront park on North Main Street. Park improvements will include new concrete curb, gutter and sidewalk along the future park's frontage. The existing sycamore trees have lifted portions of the public sidewalk, causing potential hazards to pedestrians. Five sycamore trees will be removed and replaced with five new 24" box sycamore trees, with seven more similar-sized trees to be planted in the park in addition to approximately 40 other new trees.

Some trees along the shoreline appear to be unhealthy and may be removed as part of the improvements. A professional arborist has been retained to help identify failing trees. The City plans to retain as many healthy, mature trees as possible.