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The Karuk Tribe has received 13 pallets of non-perishable food and supplies to be utilized for families in need during the Covid-19 public health emergency. This is the result of a very generous donation from the Bethel Assembly of God Church based in Yreka, California and the Convoy of Hope, Humanitarian Organization based in Springfield, Missouri. The donated items include food, water, and personal hygiene supplies.

Pastor Ryan Horvath stated “This was an amazing gift for our communities from Convoy of Hope. At such a time of great need, not only has the Lord provided, but the community has come together to help assist in a very cooperative way. Bethel Yreka/Happy Camp Church is so excited to partner with the Karuk Tribe, as well as other community groups. I want to thank all of those who have helped! This is for you, your families, your neighbors, and all of our community members. We are looking forward to building relationships and seeing great things get done together.” Donations to the Church can be made at: Bethel Assembly of God, (530) 331-9781, at 1115 Lane Street, Yreka, CA 96097 or online at https://www.bethelagchurch.net/giving.html

Russell Attebery, Chairman of the Karuk Tribe, thanked Pastor Ryan Horvath with Bethel Yreka/Happy Camp Church and Steve and Hal Donaldson of Convoy of Hope for the donation, Ed Steinhoff for the use of the forklift to offload the delivery, the City of Yreka Police Department for escorting the deliveries, and the many Tribal staff and volunteers working on its receipt and distribution. A second donation from the Church to the Happy Camp Community Center will be overseen by its Executive Director, Abigail Yeager.

“If there was ever a time for all of our local organizations to come together for our communities, now is that time,” said Chairman Attebery. As the second largest Tribe in the State of California, the Karuk Tribe, will utilize this donation to continue providing needed support to their membership and communities in Siskiyou and Eastern Humboldt Counties. The Karuk Tribe has activated their Emergency Response Team and formulated a group of employees across several departments and programs, along with community members, to respond to requests for assistance throughout the ongoing pandemic. The Tribe will be adding items to the donated goods for distribution throughout the three main communities of the Tribe in Yreka, Happy Camp, and Orleans. All items will be delivered safely through a combination of drive-through pickups, and porch drop-offs, to adhere to all public health recommendations for social distancing and proper handling of goods.
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