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On June 23, 2009, the Tribal Council of the Rumsey Band of Wintun Indians awarded \$335,853.61 to the Esparto Unified School District from Indian Gaming Special Distribution Funds (IGSDF). In 2003, the State of California created IGSDFs to mitigate impacts of Indian gaming on local government. The use of these funds is limited to services and one-time large capital projects related to Indian gaming.

The Esparto Unified School District provides educational and recreational opportunities to youth throughout the Capay Valley. Due to the severe economic conditions facing the nation, state and local governments, the District has been forced to make drastic cuts to programs serving youth in the Capay Valley. In its third round of cuts, the district was forced to eliminate the Home-To-School transportation for the parents and students of the Esparto School District. The award from the Rumsey Tribal Council will enable the Esparto Unified School District to provide transportation services for one more year as it grapples to come up with on-going revenues to support the transportation and educational programs for the students and families of the District.

The Esparto Unified School District wishes to thank the Rumsey Band of Wintun Indians for their generous award to the students and families of the Esparto Unified School District.