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In early 2011, Upper Kittitas County Youth Baseball & Softball Association was awarded \$20,000 dollars in REET funds to go towards the improvement of Memorial Baseball Fields. Specifically, for the construction of a soccer field and two additional baseball fields to draw bigger tournaments to the area and allow more entries for the tournaments already hosted by UKCYBSA. This money was used in conjunction with \$15,000 from the city in hotel motel tax. With that \$35,000 dollars, we were able to purchase the infield mix, which was just over \$37,000 dollars. The total cost to get the infields ready and the soccer field and outfields prepared for seeding came in at \$59,742 dollars. Our available cash from fundraising and tournament hosting was right at \$31,000 dollars so we are using this money in conjunction with the grant money to complete the preparation for these areas. We will continue to fundraise, host tournaments and apply for available grants to get us closer to our goal of having the fields complete and all necessary equipment purchased to include mounds, bleachers and goals. Long term we hope to purchase two additional score boards for these fields, pave parking areas and purchase and install outdoor lighting.

As you are aware, we hosted the Girls State Softball Tournament and came out victorious with the U-10 softball team taking 3rd place. Later, they took 1st at Regionals. After a busy summer of tournaments, we have just begun the construction of these additional fields and soccer field. Although the project was only started last week, we hope to have it completed by this week. I have attached pictures of what the award money went towards and what the progress looks like to date.



On behalf of Upper Kittitas County Youth Baseball and Softball, I want to thank the Board of County Commissioners for selecting our organization for funding and I am certain without the awarded money, we would have not been able to purchase all the infield mix needed for both fields.

Sincerely,

Andrea Blume

Upper Kittitas County Youth Baseball & Softball Association











