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DONATION FOR TRANSITIONS WORTH \$20,000 IN TECHNOLOGY FROM TINCAN
Transitions Receives 10 Fully-Loaded Computers And Lab Assistant: For Low-Income And Homeless Women at Transitions to Learn Digital Literacy.

Spokane, Wash—Through collaboration, Transitions' Women's Hearth received 10 new computers, monitors and advanced Adobe software for their computer lab from Tincan as part of the U.S. Department of Commerce Broadband Technology Opportunities Program, which they received to increase access to information technology and digital literacy in Spokane.

The WH is a drop-in day center for low-income and homeless women. It's a safe community where women can learn skills and find resources to help them get back on their feet. Along with a diverse range of art classes and a responsible renters program, the WH provides a computer lab women utilize to search for jobs and housing, and to advance their skills.

The 10 Lenovo computers came fully-loaded with RAM, Windows 7, and the full Adobe Suite which will allow WH participants the opportunity to learn Photoshop and other advanced Adobe software skills. Last year, 58 Transitions participants either advanced their education or obtained employment. This donation worth over \$20,000 will further increase the opportunity for women to become confident and job ready, increasing their self-sufficiency.

The WH also received a part-time lab assistant through Tincan's Microsoft Elevate America grant which helps young adults learn technology and job readiness skills. This great partnership comes full-circle in benefiting the community by educating low-income and homeless women and giving youth the chance to hone their skills for future employment.

"We are looking forward to being in a partnership with the Women's Hearth. It is a special place and I am so glad we could help," said Tara Neuman, Tincan's assistant director.

Tincan uses information technology and interactive media for education and community development. They accomplish this broad mission by creating online content of value to their community, developing innovative training and education opportunities, and collaborating with local partners to provide access to digital technology for those who might otherwise not be able to benefit from online information. For more information about Tincan, visit www.tincan.org

Since 1995, Transitions has been helping women, children, and families rebuild their lives broken by abuse, addiction, mental illness, poverty, and homelessness. Transitions maintains five programs: Women's Hearth, Miryam's House, Transitional Living Center, EduCare and New Leaf Bakery & Cafe. For more information about how you can join the fight to end poverty and homelessness for women and children in Spokane through Transitions, call 509-328-6702, email award@help4women.org, or visit our website at help4women.org.

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