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***FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: 2% Distributions & 8% Payments***

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community announces their recent gaming distributions

Since 1993 the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community has been making bi-annual payments from gaming proceeds of their casinos to local units of government and to the State of Michigan. These payments are 2% and 8% respectively and are derived from the net win from all Class III electronic games of chance commonly known as slot machines.

The two-percent (2%) payments are made each May and November. Local units of Government may make requests throughout the year. To receive an award the entity must first make a request in writing.

For the period of April 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016, the total to be distributed to local units of government in Baraga County, which was derived from the Ojibwa Casino Resort-Baraga, was **\$134,608.61**. The payments approved by Tribal Council for this distribution are as follows:

Baraga County	\$31,395.28
Baraga Area Schools	\$37,796.67
Baraga Area Schools/Baraga Youth Football Program	\$ 2,500.00
Baraga Township	\$12,646.92
Baraga Township/Bay Ambulance	\$15,000.00
Village of Baraga	\$ 9,722.39
L'Anse Area Schools	\$18,864.36
L'Anse Area Schools/C.J. Sullivan PTO	\$ 1,000.00
L'Anse Area Schools/Big Brothers Big Sisters	\$ 1,000.00
L'Anse Township	\$ 2,126.37
Village of L'Anse	\$ 1,556.62
Village of L'Anse/Meadowbrook Arena-L'Anse Hockey Assoc.	\$ 1,000.00

Distributions totaling **\$172,572.67** were made to local units of government in Marquette County that were derived from the Ojibwa Casino-Marquette for the same period as follows:

City of Marquette/Hospitality House of the U.P. (Beacon House)	\$10,000.00
City of Marquette/Room At The Inn	\$ 5,000.00
Chocoday Township/Fire and Police Dept., Sewer Utility	\$50,000.00
Chocoday Township/Cedar Tree Institute	\$10,000.00
Marquette County/CAAM	\$ 5,026.00

Marquette County/Substance Abuse & Violence Prev/Video	\$ 3,000.00
Marquette County/Noquemenon Trails Network	\$ 7,500.00
Marquette Charter Township/ Little Presque Isle State Park	\$10,000.00
Marquette Charter Township/Fire and Rescue Dept.	\$10,500.00
Marquette Area Public Schools/Title VII Native Amer. Educ. Prg.	\$ 6,500.00
City of Negaunee/Great Lakes Recovery Center	\$ 5,000.00
Negaunee Township/Community Center Recreational Trail	\$ 5,000.00
Forsyth Township/Patrol Vehicle	\$14,603.67
Forsyth Township/Michigan State Police U.P.S.E.T.	\$20,000.00
Sands Township/Fire Department	\$10,443.00

Eight percent (8%) payments are made to the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. The November 2016 distribution for the Ojibwa Casino Resort-Baraga totaled **\$538,434.44** and **\$690,290.68** for the Ojibwa Casino-Marquette.

The next cycle of awards will be made in May 2017. Local units of government within Baraga or Marquette Counties may apply. Written requests received before March 31, 2017 will be considered.