Aberdeen Citizens Donate to Coastal Harvest

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Aberdeen, WA - The first payment has been made to Coastal Harvest by the citizens of Aberdeen, Mayor Bill Simpson said last night "Tonight I want to present you with your first check for $724.05." Last summer, Tony Airhart - Coastal Harvest Executive Director asked Aberdeen officials to offer a "round up" option on city utility bills that would donate 100% of their change to Coastal Harvest. "The city followed up your direction and we put it in our utility bills, and as usual, people volunteered to give extra money. It's always nice to see we've got a very giving community."Airhart accepted the check for Coastal Harvest at last night's city council meeting "I'd like to thank the city of Aberdeen, not only for your leadership in doing this, but you're the first community in the state of Washington to make this program work."It's great to live in a community that not only cares about her citizens but does something about them. - Tony AirhartThe “round up” option has been on Aberdeen utility bills since January, neighboring city Cosmopolis has also expressed interest in adding the option to their utility bills.Aberdeen and Cosmopolis are both hub cities in Grays Harbor County, a county with the third highest unemployment rate according to new figures released this week from the State Employment Security Department.