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For immediate release:

**Over \$10,000 in Grants Awarded by Cora Voce (Chorus of Voices,) to Local School Choir Programs in Puyallup and Tacoma**

*Cora Voce*, [kohray-vochay] one of the premier adult choirs in the Puget Sound region as awarded over \$10,000 in program-building grants to three local school: Maplewood Elementary School, Spanaway Lake High School and Clover Park High School.

“Our mission,” says artistic director, Randy Spitzer, “is to inspire, enrich and educate.” Our board recognized that school music programs often operate with very limited funds. Our grant program was designed to help fill the gap. Thankfully, our generous supporters have stepped up to fund the program in a big way.” In just the last six years alone, Cora Voce has awarded more than \$60,000 in school grants.

About *Cora Voce*: Cora Voce, is a Tacoma-based auditioned adult choir formed in 2003. The choir performs three concert series each season in Tacoma and at various venues around Puget Sound including Bremerton, Gig Harbor, and Puyallup. The choir performs some of the most challenging and beautiful choral works from the middle ages to the present day. Cora Voce has participated in the Greater Seattle Choral Consortium’s semi-annual choral festival and has collaborated with other choirs such as the Oregon Chorale, Northwest Repertory Singers, and Concord Choir. The choir has also commissioned many new works written specifically for Cora Voce. While most choirs meet weekly, Cora Voce gathers for just five rehearsals immediately prior to each concert series. This rehearsal approach requires singers with exceptional vocal and choral skills. For more information about Cora Voce, or to apply for a grant or scholarship, visit [www.CoraVoce.org](http://www.CoraVoce.org)