

CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Council Members and Representatives of the City of the Pasadena,

We are asking for funding for El Centro de Accion Social's youth education program to be funded by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding.

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This is a very important issue that does impact our Latino and non-Latino communities. Our programs are ethnically diverse.

We offer effective programs that benefit our youth to graduate from high school and go to a college or university. Also, through our senior citizen program, our seniors maintain a healthy lifestyle and live longer.

The City of Pasadena needs to support non-profits in these tough economic times and not cut funding. Partnerships and collaboration are key to succeed as a community. Non-profits serve as a safety valve in our society. We need the City of Pasadena to support long-standing, local non-profits that are doing effective work with a lean budget and lean staff. Cutting funding only decreases El Centro's capability to help over 200 low income youth. Our job is to help our youth to graduate from high school and to succeed in life. Ultimately, it is the poor income youth and senior citizens that will suffer if the City of Pasadena does not fund the El Centro Youth Education Programs.

Please visit our web site to obtain more information, in relation to our programs: www.elcentropasadena.org or feel free to visit our programs.

We are parents, students, community members who benefit and support El Centro de Accion Social. We your leadership and support by approving \$25,000 for El Centro's Youth Education Program and \$25,000 for the senior citizen program. Otherwise, many families will hurting without the help from El Centro de Accion Social and the City of Pasadena.

Sincerely,

Jefferson Elementary Parents

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Name/Nombre

- 1) Ashley Canelas
- 2) Lourdes Pineda
- 3) Saul Nava
- 4) ~~Diego Guillen~~
- 5) Rebeca Pineda
- 6) ~~Armando Escobedo~~
- 7) Santa Martinez
- 8) ~~Shirley B.~~
- 9) Cecilia Nava
- 10) ~~Isabel~~
- 11) ~~Isabel~~
- 12) ~~Isabel~~
- 13) Jalisco Retana
- 14) Juliana Estrada
- 15) Rosa Canales
- 16) ~~Yolanda~~
- 17) Alma Quiroga
- 18) ~~Blanca Hernandez~~
- 19) Gabriela Ramirez
- 20) Cecilia Rizo
- 21) Fernando Led
- 22) AURELIA MUÑOZ
- 23) ~~Delia~~
- 24) Maria Castillo
- 25) ~~Carla~~

ESTIMADOS MIEMBROS DEL CONSEJO
Y REPRESENTANTES DE LA CIUDAD DE
PASADENA.

ESPERO QUE TOMEN
ENCUENTA NUESTRAS NECESIDADES
COMO PADRES EN EL PROGRAMA
DEL CENTRO YO GABRIELA
GARCIA HE SIDO MUY
BENEFICIADA POR ESTE
PROGRAMA POR QUE EL
SR. HERNANDEZ ES MUY
DEDICADO A LOS NIÑOS
SOBRE SU APRENDISAJE Y
EN LA PERSONAL HE VISTO
MUCHO EL CAMBIO EN MI HIJO
NOE RETANA. DESDE QUE
EL PROGRAMA DE LA ESCUELA DE MI
HIJO EL A PROGRESADO
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DEN FONDOS SI QUIER
VER NIÑOS UNIVERSITARIOS
Y PROGRESIVOS Y FAMILIAS
FELICES.

ATTE

Jabala Garcia

Miembros de la ciudad de Pasadena,

Gracias al Programa del centro que se ofrece en la escuela Jefferson e notado un gran aprendizaje en mi niño. Sus grados han mejorado y sus ingles tambien. Yo como madre soltera este programa me a ayudo mucho no hablo ingles y sin este programa no sabia como ayudar a mi hijo. Las personas que trabajan aki ayudando a los niños se preocupan por que pa que los niños entiendan la tarea y sus trabajos antes de que sean rechazados por los padres. Por favor no nos quiten los fondos. Nuestras hijos sufriran mucho sin la ayuda de este programa.

Madre soltera del
Programa del Centro

Estimados miembros del consejo y Representantes de la ciudad de Pasadena
estamos pidiendo fondos para el programa del Centro de Acción Social de la educación
de la juventud que sea financiado por Community Development Block
Grant (CDBG). El Centro ha brindado muchas oportunidades para nuestra
comunidad y ha enriquecido la educación de nuestros hijos con su programas q.
se ofrecen después de clases, como padres de un estudiante de la escuela
Jefferson que pertenece a un programa después de clases
he visto lo duro que su personal del Centro trabaja para asegurarse que todas las
estudiantes reciban la ayuda que que los niños necesitan.
el centro ha trabajado duro para colaborar con los maestros y he visto como
mi hijo ha mejorado su nivel de estudio, Ellos no solo están ayudando
a los estudiantes con sus tareas actuales, sino que también
están enriqueciendo sus mentes a través del servicio de la comunidad
proporcionado por los voluntarios de escuela secundarios, Pasadena city
college, y voluntarios de la comunidad.

Mario Castillo 4/30/12

Gracias por la ayuda que nos han brindado con nuestras hijas. Por favor no nos quiten este programa sin su ayuda, nuestra hija no podrá terminar la terea y tambien su grado bajara. Esto nos afectaria mucho si cortari el progra del centro despues de escuela. Este programa ayuda a mucho niños con la terea y cico que si lo cortar los niños no siguiran mejorando y estaran reprobando el grado escolar. Por favor no les quiten la oportunidad a nuestros niños de seguir a delante y aprender para su futuro. Espero que encontremos una solucion para que el programa siga asta como va ahora. Gracias a todos y espero que piensen que estos niños son el futuro para un mejor mundo.

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Estimados Miembros del Consejo de Padres

Les quiero dar las gracias al programa del centro y a todos los que trabajan ayudando ^{los} a los niños. El trabajo que hacen es excelente, gracias por ayudar a mi hijo ha mejorado en la escuela. También mi hijo ~~ha~~ ha mejorado mucho en su vocabulario y las matemáticas, sin la ayuda de este programa la verdad no creo que mi hijo llevara buenas calificaciones. Yo como padre no hablo el idioma y la verdad me costaría mucho a ayudar a mi hijo con la tarea pero gracias a su programa del centro después de escuela mi hijo tiene la oportunidad de terminar su tarea y de también aprender más cosas como una que el señor Hernandez le está enseñando una matemática más avanzada que su grado. Por favor que consideren todo lo que les he dicho sin su programa la verdad no sé como ayudar a mi hijo. Tomar en cuenta que muchos niños dependen de este programa para sus tareas y para seguir adelante con buenos grados.

Padre de un estudiante del centro

A quien lea esta carta,

Por favor no nos quiten los fondos para los programas de jóvenes especialmente el de El Centro de Accion Social. El programa a ayudado que mi hijo avance y a mejorado mucho en sus tareas. Todo gracias al Sr. Hernandez y a Randy Ertli motivan que los estudiantes sigan adelante. Siento que si retiran esta ayuda los grados bajaran por la razon que muchos de nosotros como padres hispanos no sabemos el lenguaje de este pais. Como padres nos sentiriamos perdidos sin la ayuda del programa. Ayudenos a mantener los fondos para este programa que ayuda mucha a la comunidad de Pasadenaa

Sra Camacho

Whoever get this.

these words isn't to ask this Program
administration don't eliminate it.

i want to say to my son of 8 years old.

this program help'em to much

they help'em to make his homework

and go faster to learn his new language

everybody know that there's economic

problems in these momens but i think

is no time to eliminate programs

maybe it's time to administer better

the programs.

thanks a lot

Jose Garcia

Estimados miembros del consejo y Representantes de la ciudad de Pasadena

Estamos pidiendo por favor no nos quiten los fondos para el programa del centro ya que el programa tiene oportunidades para la comunidad y ayudando a nuestros hijos a hacer sus tareas ya que a nuestro hijo le ha ayudado y se ha beneficiado mucho con la ayuda de los voluntarios del centro ya que el programa del centro les ayuda a enriquecer su mente y los hace mejores estudiantes y a desenvolverse en sus materias ya que la escuela Jefferson necesita un programa como el centro después de escuela ya que el programa del centro les ayuda a los niños a ser los mejores estudiantes del mes y de la semana por favor le pedimos como padres que no quiten los fondos para el centro

Santiago Ramirez

Padres

de Brian Ramirez

Miembros del Consejo y Representantes de la
Ciudad de Pasadena.

Estamos pidiendo Fondos para el programa de
"El Centro de Acción Social" de la educación
de la Juventud que sea Financiado por Comm-
unity Development Blok Grant (CDBG).

La niña Karina Arguelles ha permanecido
en el "Centro" el cual ella ha mejorado
en sus tareas, Lectura, matemáticas.

damos gracias a todos ustedes Que
nos han ayudado a que existan programas
Como el que mi hija tiene.

esperamos que no quiten el programa
por Falta de Fondos, y que se encuentre
una Solucion ya que es importante para
todos los niños que estan en el "Centro"
muchas gracias a todos.

Santa Martinez
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Estimados miembros del Consejo y Representantes
de la Ciudad de Pasadena.

Estamos Pidiendo que Porfavor
no nos quiten los fondos Para el Progra
del Centro ya que muchas familias
dependen de esta ayuda que nos an
Ofrecido Por muchos ~~años~~ años.

Gracias a este Programa nuestros niños
de ~~han~~ mejorado mucho. Tambien Como
Padre de unos de los niños he mirado
Como todo el personal del centro de el
Programa se Preocupa Por los niños y
se Procuran y se aseguran que todos
los niños terminen con las tareas.

Yo como Padre de dos niños e mirado
la diferencia entre este Programa y otros
y este es el mejor. Por favor espero
que no nos quiten este ~~Programa~~ Programa
que tenemos, nos afectaria
mucho, y tambien afectaria el aprendizaje
de nuestros niños.

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May 14, 2012

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Subject: Community Development Block Grant Program

We appreciate the opportunity to submit a proposal for \$100,000 for an electrical vault to expand and upgrade the power supply to our 57 year old building. We have reached the limit of our power supply. The supply is also unreliable as there are periodic spikes and surges which damage delicate instrumentation. Until this is augmented and improved, we are unable to add additional companies and jobs. Moreover, there is a risk that there will be periodic blackouts that will affect the ability of the current firms to conduct their research and training.

As a 501C3 incubator for life science companies, we house 15 companies with about 35 employees developing products that could significantly benefit the health and welfare of all citizens. The various entities in our building also provide student education and high school outreach. The Amgen Bruce Wallace Biotech Lab Program, serves curriculum, supplies and training to over 40 local high schools (6400 students) including all PUSD high schools (over 1000 students). Over 200 students are served at John Muir H.S. at no cost. Internship work days for High School students are held monthly and serve over 100 local students. This offers young people a unique opportunity to get training in laboratory technique and operations in a functioning facility.

The Oak Crest Institute of Science (OCIS), a non-profit educational and research organization, has a mission to train students to be researchers. They are involved in ongoing research projects relating to world health or environmental science. Since 2001, OCIS has hosted 148 students from high school through post undergraduate in hands on research mentoring. John Muir H.S. teachers have benefited from OCIS professional development workshops to enrich their science teaching skills.

In summary, several additional companies and their employees could be accommodated. Training would be improved through the addition of equipment that cannot now be hooked up to our electrical power system.

We would be happy to answer any questions.

Yours sincerely,



Bruce A. Blomstrom
President

May 10, 2012

Mr. Gene Masuda
District 4 City Councilman
100 N. Garfield Avenue, Room S228
P.O. Box 7115
Pasadena, CA 91109-7215

Dear Mr. Masuda:

I am writing in support of El Centro de Acción Social's (El Centro) appeal to the City of Pasadena Human Services Commission to secure funding for El Centro's youth education programs. I am specifically writing to respectfully request that the City of Pasadena Human Services Commission and the Pasadena City Council revisit the funding decision made by the Human Services Commission which has indicated that \$25,000 will be allocated towards El Centro's senior citizen program and \$0 will be allocated to the youth program.

Among the strategic plan goals for the city is the commitment to "Support and promote the quality of life and local economy." I believe that this organization supports and promotes the quality of life and local economy by investing in underrepresented communities within the boundaries of our city. I have become acquainted with this organization and am so impressed at the amount of work that they do with limited resources. They provide an abundance of vital resources to local youth and senior citizens. As a Pasadena homeowner, tax payer and voter, I believe that investing in El Centro's senior citizen program and youth education program is the right thing to do.

El Centro has been providing after school programs at Jefferson Elementary School, Washington Middle School, John Muir High School and a great Summer School in the Park program for many years. The number of children they have impacted is enormous. I encourage that the Human Service Commission members and you take the time to visit El Centro's programs to see how effective they are. Even if the funding cannot be secured during this funding cycle, I hope that they will consider reinstating the funds in the near future.

This is a very important issue that impacts all of us. El Centro offers innovative programs that benefit our local youth and help them to graduate from high school and go on to a college or university. Higher education is an effective economic equalizer. We need to invest early and often in our youth to ensure that they grow up to become productive community leaders. We need community based organizations to complement the health and human services provided by local government. We need to invest in them, too.

As a property owner and tax payer in Pasadena, I would like my Housing and Urban Development tax money (CDBG) to go towards El Centro de Acción Social's senior citizen and youth education programs. Please let me know if you have any questions. I can be reached at cosanchez11@gmail.com or (626) 351-2288. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Respectfully,

Connie Salgado-Sanchez, MPH

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May 9, 2012

Michael Beck
City Manager
City of Pasadena
100 N. Garfield Ave. Rm. S228
Pasadena, CA 91109

Dear Mr. Beck, Ms. Santoro, Mayor Bogaard, and Pasadena City Councilmembers:

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Cutting funding only decreases El Centro's capability to help over 200 low income youth. Our job is to help our youth to graduate from high school and to succeed in life.

It is the youth and senior citizens who are negatively impacted when the City of Pasadena cuts funding for El Centro's Youth Education Programs. Who else offers these types of youth programs in the schools and offer Summer School in the Park?

As a tax payer and voter who lives in Pasadena, I would like my Housing and Urban Development tax money (CDBG) to go towards El Centro de Accion Social's senior citizen and youth education programs.

Sincerely,

Your name

Your Address

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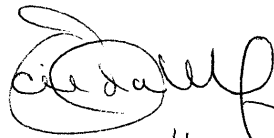
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 Aina Morales

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922 W. Summit Ave. Pasadena, Ca. 91103

- Oliver Zuniga - 1902 E Villa St. Pasadena 91107
- Jonathan Aldana - 1902 E Villa St, Pasadena, CA 91107
- JL Pich - 2646 N. Glen Ave Altadena CA 91001
- Indira Ferrer - 80 N. Craig Ave Apt 6 Pasadena, CA 91107
- GABRIELA GARZA 430 N CATALINA AV #4 PASADENA CA 91106
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- Rebecca Peña 68 VIRGINIA AVE PAS CA 91107
- Rachel R. Gallegos 68 Virginia Ave Pas CA 91107
- Noe Retana - 430 W Catalina Av #4 Pasadena CA 91106