

Martinez, Ruben

From: City Web
Sent: Saturday, November 07, 2020 2:22 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Public Comment for Meeting on November 9, 2020 about Agenda Item Special item #2

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Rosalind			Ave, Pasadena, CA 91104
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Comments:

Morning Star Outreach Ministry is a 501 c (3) non-profit organization founded in 2010. We started our food pantry program in February 2015 with once monthly food distributions, giving away food baskets and grocery store gift cards. In May 2018, we partnered with LA Regional Food Bank and began twice monthly food distributions. This partnership enhanced our ability to provide more food, a greater variety of items and better quality products to our recipients. With the support of Councilman John Kennedy's office, we continue to give away free turkeys for Thanksgiving and Christmas. In 2018, we began our Back to School program, providing back packs filled with school supplies for families with children as well as a clothing giveaway providing brand new jackets, t-shirts, socks, hats and gloves. The grants we have received from the Pasadena City Council have allowed us to buy more food. because we are serving twice as many families. The need is greater than ever before. We fear that without continued grant support, we will not be able to meet the needs of our community. We are grateful for the grants we have received and hope that we can count on the City Council's continued support.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Sent: Monday, November 09, 2020 10:06 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Public Comment for Meeting on November 9, 2020 about Agenda Item 2 - Food Bank support

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Comments:

I want to thank Dr. Goh and the staff of the Pasadena Public Health Department for everything they have done, and the extraordinary effort they have all put in to keep Pasadena safe and healthy during the pandemic.

A key component of our community's health is the ability of families to access food, especially when there may be employment challenges along with health and safety concerns. Food insecurity is real for a growing segment of our neighbors.

At the Chamber of Commerce we fully support the recommendation to continue support for local food banks. This is an important initiative that directly impacts the health of our residents and the well-being of our entire community.

Please continue funding the identified food banks as recommended by your staff.

Thank you,

Paul Little

Pasadena Chamber of Commerce

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From: City Web
Sent: Monday, November 09, 2020 1:48 PM
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Subject: Public Comment for Meeting on November 9, 2020 about Agenda Item #2 (Local Food Banks)

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Comments:

Dear Mayor and Councilmembers,

On behalf of St. Andrew's Catholic Church Food Pantry, Thank you for your continued support of those Families In Need!

With your past support we were able to provide additional food and basic necessities during this COVID-19 Pandemic that would not have been possible. Our Families In Need/Homeless has double since March of this year and we expect the trend to continue. In October 2020 our Church feed over 900 families and homeless people totaling over 1,800+ people.

Our Church is dependent on the generosity of our parishioners and the grants the City of Pasadena has provided us this year. Please continue to assist our Church and the other organizations you have assisted this year so that we may continue to assist those Families In Need during this pandemic.

May God Bless You!

Carl Paneno

St. Vincent de Paul Society, President

St. Andrew Catholic Church

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