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ITEM 10

Iraheta, Alba

From: Jomsky, Mark
Sent: Saturday, February 24, 2024 3:07 PM
To: Robles, Sandra; Iraheta, Alba
Subject: FW: Serving Homeless Families -- Door of Hope

From: Richard Kleinert <richard.kleinert@cityofpasadena.net>
Sent: Saturday, February 24, 2024 11:51 AM
To: Madison, Steve <smadison@cityofpasadena.net>; Chapman, Justin <jchapman@cityofpasadena.net>
Cc: Megan Katerjian <megan.katerjian@cityofpasadena.net>; Jomsky, Mark <mjomsky@cityofpasadena.net>; Darleen Kleinert

Subject: Serving Homeless Families -- Door of Hope

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Councilmember Madison --

As I believe you know, my wife and I live in your District at [redacted]. I am writing this message in **support** of Door of Hope's loan request to the City of Pasadena for its Transitional Housing Project at 724 N. Marengo Ave. in Pasadena, which will be considered by City Council on Monday, February 26, 2024.

Pasadena needs more shelter and affordable housing options for unhoused families, and this project will meet that need. The Door of Hope has an incredible track record of success working with families experiencing homelessness. I am proud to say I serve on the Board of Door of Hope and I attest that it is a high quality organization.

Door of Hope already operates two transitional homes for unhoused families in Pasadena, and they have an outstanding reputation in the community both as good neighbors and successful service providers. 86% of the families who move from their shelters to affordable housing are still housed five years later, and they are arguably the nicest home on the block at their two Pasadena locations.

For this reason, we urge you to **support** this new project and help provide the needed funding by approving Door of Hope's loan request to the City of Pasadena.


Thank you!

Dick and Darleen Kleinert

Iraheta, Alba

From:
Sent: Thursday, February 22, 2024 5:27 PM
To: Masuda, Gene; genomas@aol.com
Cc: MeganK@doorofhope.us; megan@doorofhope.us; Jomsky, Mark
Subject: Request for consideration at February 26 City Council Meeting
Attachments: Letter to Gene Masuda regarding Door of Hope loan request Feb 22 2024.pdf

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Hello Gene,

Please read and consider my letter for the upcoming Council Meeting this coming Monday. Thank you and hope you're enjoying the dry weather! Hope to see you at your next gathering.

John Otoshi

Email:

Cell:

February 22, 2024

Dear Councilmember Masuda,

I am a resident living in your District Number 4 (for the past 23 years), living at 3081 Oneida Street in Pasadena, and we have talked on several occasions in person, over the phone, and by email on different issues in the past, but I am writing this letter in support of Door of Hope's loan request to the City of Pasadena for its Transitional Housing Project at 724 N. Marengo Ave. in Pasadena, which will be considered by City Council on Monday, February 26, 2024.

Pasadena needs more shelter and affordable housing options for unhoused families, and this project will meet that need. Affordable housing has been a long-standing issue for many cities, but especially Pasadena. I care about a long-term solution to the homeless crisis, which is why my family has been a Door of Hope supporter for the last 15 years or more. They take a holistic approach to providing shelter, housing, and training for transition back into being good citizens in the city. Many residents that have successfully completed the program have given back to the community and to Door of Hope as I have personally heard their stories.

Although I am not familiar with how loan programs work, I have been to many City Council meetings for Los Angeles for my work and I know that the Council would want specific reasons on why they should vote for a particular item on the agenda and to know that there is community support behind it. I am writing this letter to show my support and why I feel it is important for the following loan request to be approved.

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For this reason, I urge you to support this new project and help provide the needed funding by approving Door of Hope's loan request to the City of Pasadena.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

John T. Otoshi
Pasadena, CA 91107

Iraheta, Alba

From: Nicholas Springer >
Sent: Thursday, February 22, 2024 7:35 PM
To: Williams, Felicia
Cc: Jomsky, Mark; Megan Katerjian
Subject: Door of Hope Loan Request

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Hi Ms. Williams,

I hope all is well with you. My name is Nick and I am a resident of your district living in the 91104 area. I am writing this letter in support of Door of Hope's loan request to the City of Pasadena for its Transitional Housing Project at 724 N. Marengo Ave. in Pasadena, which will be considered by City Council on Monday, February 26, 2024.

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For this reason, I urge you to support this new project and help provide the needed funding by approving Door of Hope's loan request to the City of Pasadena.

Thank you!

Iraheta, Alba

From: Audrey Durden
Sent: Friday, February 23, 2024 1:49 PM
To: Masuda, Gene
Cc: Jomsky, Mark; Megan Katerjian
Subject: Door of Hope

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Dear Councilmember Masuda:

We are residents of your district, I _____, and we are writing this letter in support of Door of Hope's loan request to the City of Pasadena for its Transitional Housing Project at 724 N. Marengo Ave. in Pasadena, which will be considered by City Council on Monday, February 26, 2024.

Pasadena needs more shelter and affordable housing options for unhoused families, and this project will meet that need. Affordable housing is almost impossible to find in our area as you are well aware.

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Thank you!

Steve and Audrey Durden

Iraheta, Alba

From: Ellen Guevara <[REDACTED]@ecg.com>
Sent: Friday, February 23, 2024 4:28 PM
To: Felicia Williams
Cc: Jomsky, Mark; megan@doorofhope.us
Subject: Door of Hope - Loan Approval for Pasadena Property

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Felicia,

I know your heart is to help families that are on the fringes of society and to keep them from becoming homeless. As you have mentioned on your campaign, Pasadena needs more shelter and affordable housing options for unhoused families, and the proposed Door of Hope project will meet that need. Michael & I have been involved with the Door of Hope for many years because of their follow-through for a family to stay together with a Christian heart of counseling, support for the children, finding apartments and consistent follow through once the families graduate from the Door of Hope Program.

Therefore, I am writing this letter in support of Door of Hope's loan request to the City of Pasadena for its Transitional Housing Project at 724 N. Marengo Ave. in Pasadena, which will be considered by City Council on Monday, February 26, 2024. I urge you to support this new project and help provide the needed funding by approving Door of Hope's loan request to the City of Pasadena.

Thank you again for your support.
Ellen Guevara

P.S. See you tomorrow morning to support your campaign.

Iraheta, Alba

From: Donna & Bob Menzies
Sent: Friday, February 23, 2024 5:30 PM
To: Masuda, Gene
Cc: Jomsky, Mark; megan@doorofhope.us
Subject: Door of Hope loan request

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Dear Council Member Masuda:

I am a resident of your district, _____, and I am writing this letter in support of Door of Hope's loan request to the City of Pasadena for its Transitional Housing Project at 724 N. Marengo Ave. in Pasadena, which will be considered by City Council on Monday, February 26, 2024.

Pasadena needs more shelter and affordable housing options for unhoused families, and this project will meet that need. Door of Hope has a wonderful Christian program with concerned staff who care for all individuals who live in their homes.

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For this reason, I urge you to support this new project and help provide the needed funding by approving Door of Hope's loan request to the City of Pasadena.

Thank you!

Donna & Bob Menzies

Iraheta, Alba

From: Elizabeth Patterson <elpatters@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 24, 2024 9:18 AM
To: Masuda, Gene
Cc: Jomsky, Mark
Subject: Door of Hope Loan Vote

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Greetings:

I'm writing to ask for your supporting vote for Door of Hope's loan request to the City of Pasadena for its Transitional Housing Project at 724 N. Marengo Avenue in Pasadena. It is being brought to the City Council on Monday, February 26, 2024.

I am a member of your district but I know Door of Hope well. I have watched it grow from a small single dwelling into the very successful nonprofit that they are now. They keep careful records, and so can demonstrate that 86% of the families who move from their shelters to affordable housing are still housed five years later. They now have two transitional housing sites in Pasadena, both of which are well kept, and they work hard to be good neighbors in their local areas. The addition of this new location can only be a plus for our city and, more importantly, for those families.

I urge your positive vote, and thank you for your service to us as our Council member.

Elizabeth Patterson

Pasadena, CA 91107

McMillan, Acquanette (Netta)

From:
Sent: Sunday, February 25, 2024 3:11 PM
To: Williams, Felicia
Cc: Jomsky, Mark; megan@doorofhope.us; 'Nancy Guyer'
Subject: Door of Hope loan request support

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Dear Councilmember Williams:

I am a resident of your district, living at _____ and I am writing this letter in support of Door of Hope's loan request to the City of Pasadena for its Transitional Housing Project at 724 N. Marengo Ave. in Pasadena, which will be considered by City Council on Monday, February 26, 2024.

Pasadena needs more shelter and affordable housing options for unhoused families, and this project will meet that need. My wife and I attended Door of Hope's 2023 fund raiser, learned about the good work being done and readily donated to the cause.

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For this reason, I urge you to support this new project and help provide the needed funding by approving Door of Hope's loan request to the City of Pasadena.

Thank you!

Best regards,
Eric Guyer | Managing Partner
+1 (630) 881-5085 | eric@remend.com | [LinkedIn](#)

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McMillan, Acquanette (Netta)

From:
Sent: Sunday, February 25, 2024 5:02 PM
To: Dyson, Darla
Cc: Jomsky, Mark; 'Megan Katerjian'; Sue Sloat
Subject: Door of Hope loan request (City Council February 26 agenda)

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Dear Councilmember Williams:

As a resident of District 2, a local attorney, and a 60-year member of Lake Avenue Church, I am writing to ask that you support of Door of Hope as it seeks a loan from the City of Pasadena to build upon its highly effective service to at-risk families, using federal and local funds already allocated to addressing homelessness. I knew the founders of Door of Hope, Lake Avenue Church and its people are deeply involved in its support, my wife leads a team in providing monthly meals to the residents, and my friend Andy Bales' former home is at the center of this strategic move forward. I have seen—and no doubt you are aware—how effective Door of Hope's approach has been in preventing homelessness and overcoming its effects on the most vulnerable members of our community.

I look forward to the City Council's approval of the loan, with your full support.

Very truly yours,

Bob Sloat (

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