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Memorandum

Memo: MC12-017

DATE: June 4, 2012

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: DAVE BIGOS, MAYOR AND COUNCIL ASSISTANT *DB*

THRU: RICH DLUGAS, CITY MANAGER *RD*
NACHIE MARQUEZ, COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLIC AFFAIRS DIR. *NM*

SUBJECT: Resolution No. 4604

RECOMMENDATION:

Request approval of Resolution No. 4604 authorizing the submittal of a \$124,925 Pass-Through Indian Gaming Grant application from the Harvest for Humanity to the Gila River Indian Community.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

The grant funding sought by Harvest For Humanity is intended to be used to provide educational classes to residents of Chandler and Tempe on the benefits of a healthy lifestyle. Special emphasis will be placed on providing classes for special-needs students from Chandler Unified School District and Tempe Union High School District. The vast majority of classes will take place at the Harvest for Humanity Tempe site with future considerations to the Chandler site that is currently under construction. The attached Tribal application provides a detailed account of the request.

PROPOSED MOTION:

Move to approve Resolution No. 4604 authorizing the submittal of a \$124,925 Grant application from Harvest for Humanity to the Gila River Indian Community.

Attachments:

Resolution 4604

City Application

Tribal Application and/or Related Documentation on behalf of Harvest for Humanity

RESOLUTION NO. 4604

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHANDLER, ARIZONA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR AN INDIAN GAMING REVENUE SHARING GRANT TO GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY ON BEHALF OF HARVEST FOR HUMANITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$124,925

WHEREAS, pursuant to A.R.S. § 5-601.02, Indian tribes entering into a tribal-state gaming compact shall contribute monies to “. . . cities, towns and counties . . . for government services that benefit the general public, including public safety, mitigation of impacts of gaming, and promotion of commerce and economic development”; and

WHEREAS, those Indian tribes entering into a tribal-state gaming compact have various grant application procedures for evaluating which cities, towns and counties, and which government services, will receive gaming revenue sharing contributions pursuant to A.R.S. § 5-601.02; and

WHEREAS, it has become a relatively common practice for cities to authorize the submission of grant applications for such Indian gaming revenue sharing grants on behalf of 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations that are deemed to be providing government related services that benefit the general public; and

WHEREAS, Harvest For Humanity, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, has requested that the City authorize the submission of an application for such Indian gaming revenue sharing grant funding to Gila River Indian Community on its behalf in the amount of \$124,925; and

WHEREAS, the deadline for accepting applications for grant funding by Gila River Indian Community is June 30, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the funding sought by Harvest For Humanity is intended be used to provide educational classes to residents of Chandler and Tempe on the benefits of a healthy lifestyle. Special emphasis will be placed on providing classes for special-needs students from Chandler Unified School District and Tempe Union High School District. The vast majority of classes will take place at the Harvest for Humanity Tempe site with future considerations to the Chandler site that is currently under construction; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager’s Office has reviewed the application materials prepared by Harvest For Humanity, and believes that the funding request described in such application materials qualifies as being for government related services that benefit the

general public and is consistent with the City's Administrative Regulation regarding such grant applications.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Chandler, Arizona, that:

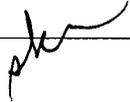
1. Harvest For Humanity, is hereby authorized to submit the application materials prepared by Harvest For Humanity, that are attached hereto, together with this Resolution, to Gila River Indian Community.
2. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the application, in the form attached hereto, in conjunction with the grant application to be submitted to Gila River Indian Community on behalf of Harvest For Humanity.
3. Within ten (10) days of the City's receipt of any grant funds from Gila River Indian Community pursuant to a grant application submitted on behalf of Harvest For Humanity, City staff is directed to mail a check to Harvest For Humanity covering one hundred percent (100%) of the funds received by the City from Gila River Indian Community pursuant to such application.
4. The City, by virtue of this Resolution, is simply acting as a financial conduit between the Gila River Indian Community and Harvest For Humanity, and is in no way:
 - (a) Agreeing or obligating itself to monitor or report on the expenditure of any grant funding distributed to or on behalf of Harvest For Humanity; or
 - (b) Guaranteeing or warranting the accuracy, completeness or truthfulness of the information set forth in the application materials prepared by Harvest For Humanity; or
 - (c) Supervising, or taking any responsibility regarding, the actions or activities undertaken by Harvest For Humanity; or
 - (d) Representing that Harvest For Humanity either has, or does not have, other sources of funding relating to the intended use of grant funding set forth in this Resolution, including funding from grant applications made on Harvest For Humanity's behalf to other Indian tribes.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Chandler, Arizona, this ____ day of _____, 2012.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK
APPROVED AS TO FORM:

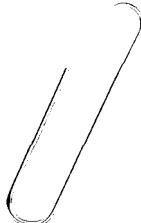
MAYOR

CITY ATTORNEY 

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing Resolution No. 4604 was duly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Chandler, Arizona, at a regular meeting held on the ____ day of _____, 2012, and that a quorum was present thereat.

CITY CLERK



**PRELIMINARY INFORMATION REGARDING REQUEST
THAT THE CITY OF CHANDLER PASS-THROUGH AN
APPLICATION FOR AN INDIAN GAMING REVENUE
SHARING GRANT ON BEHALF OF NON-PROFIT
ORGANIZATION**

1. Requestor Name: Harvest for Humanity
2. Address: 617 N. TAMARISK ST CHANDLER, AZ 85224
3. Contact Person and Contact Information: Denise Phillips - Executive Director
denise@harvestforhumanity.com 602-430-0942

4. Date of obtaining 501(c)(3) non-profit organizational status and verification of such status at time of the request. October 1992

5. Describe the nexus between Requestor and the City of Chandler and its residents.
Harvest for humanity organically grows fruits & vegetables in Tempe and Chandler and donate the produce to Chandler Christian Community Center and other organizations to help families in need.
6. Specifically, but concisely, describe how the grant funding sought by Requestor will be utilized (please do not just refer to general description included in the application materials). this grant will be used to add an outdoor classroom to help educate people & business in our community on eco & healthy life-style living. with an emphasis on children & those with "special needs". Tempe Union High Dist & Chandler High Schools work Bridge Program will be a primary focus.
7. Describe how the use for which funding is sought will provide "government (related) services that benefit the general public, including public safety, mitigation of impact of gaming and promotion of commerce and economic development". (See A.R.S. § 5-601.02(H)(4)). Community work experience for WB students and general health related education for the community, along with providing fresh nutrient dense food to families in need And to increase food output
8. Describe how the use for which funding is sought will benefit Chandler residents as a whole rather than simply benefiting a particular individual, entity or class of individuals. Chandler Special Ed students will get experience to help them get the skills they need to be competitive in the job market to live independent lives. as well as providing education and food.

9. Verify that no portion of the funding sought will be used to in any way promote or teach any religious or political viewpoint or cause. DP (initial)
10. Identify the Tribe that Requestor wishes the City to submit application materials on Requestor's behalf, and the deadline for such application submittal. _____
Gila River Indian Community

11. Identify any application for Indian gaming revenue sharing grant submitted on Requestor's behalf by another city, town or county, and the amount of funding sought. NONE

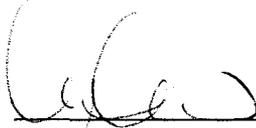
12. Attach to the request all information that is to be submitted to the Tribe on Requestor's behalf.
13. Agree that, to the fullest extent permitted by law, Requestor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Chandler, its Mayor and Council, officials, officers and employees from and against all losses, claims, suits, actions, payments and judgments, demands, expenses, damages, including consequential damages and loss of productivity, attorney's fees, defense costs or actions of any kind and nature relating to, arising out of, or alleged to have resulted from the City of Chandler's processing or consideration of this request to pass through an application for an Indian gaming revenue sharing grant on behalf of Requestor, or in passing through any grant funds awarded pursuant to such application.
DP (initial)

By signing below, Denise Phillips (name), asserts that he or she has the authority to execute the application on behalf of Requestor, has read, understands and agrees to be bound by Sections 9 and 13 of this application, and otherwise certifies that the information provided herein is believed to be true and correct.

Denise Phillips
 (Signature)
DENISE PHILLIPS
 (Print)
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
 (Title)
May 1, 2012
 (Date)

STATE OF ARIZONA)
)ss
County of Maricopa)

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 2 day of May,
2012 by DENISE PHILLIPS.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires:





Gila River Indian Community Grant Application

Municipality Information

Date of Application: May 1, 2012

Name of City, Town or County: Chandler

Mayor or Board of Supervisor's Chairman: Mayor Jay Tibshraeny

Mailing Address: Mail Stop 603, PO Box 4008

City: Chandler **State:** AZ **Zip Code:** 85224-4008

Department/Non-Profit Information

Department or Organization Name: Harvest for Humanity

Mailing Address: 617 N. Tamarisk St. **City:** Chandler **State:** AZ **Zip Code:** 85224

Contact Person*: Denise Phillips **Title:** Executive Director

Phone Number: 480-553-8744 **E-mail Address:** denise@harvestforhumanity.com

***The individual listed here will be our direct point of contact for grant-related questions or requests for information. Duplicates of all grant correspondence will be sent to the contact person.**

Grant Information

Program or Project Name: Optimization and Education Program

Purpose of Grant: To build and sustain an education program for volunteers, business and children, with an emphasis on students with "special needs". Educating in the area of eco and health conscious topics. At the same time providing nutrient dense produce for families in need.

Beginning and ending dates of Program or Project: Sept 2012 to Aug 2013

Amount Requested: \$124,925 **Total Project Cost:** \$291,975

Multi-year Request – If checked, # of years requested: **Amount/year:**

Priority Funding Area:

Economic Development **Education** **Healthcare** **Public Safety** **Transportation**

Geographic Area Served: East Valley Area

Signature:

Mayor OR Chairman BOS: _____ **Date:** _____

Typed Name and Title: Jay Tribshraeny - Mayor City of Chandler

1. Purpose of Grant

a) Describe the proposed program or project

This program is a two part program that allows Harvest for Humanity to continue to provide nutrient-dense produce to people in need in our community, while educating the community in our practices, with an emphasis on children, especially students with “special needs”.

This program partners Harvest for Humanity, a 501(c)3 non-profit, other local non-profits, businesses, Tempe Union High School Work Bridge Program and Chandler Unified Schools Special Education.

Harvest for Humanity (HfH) is a 21 year old organization that has expertise and passion for turning unused urban land into organic growing and harvesting sites of fresh, nutrient-dense produce, while at the same time educating the community in these and other eco-friendly, healthy life-style practices. The produce and/or proceeds are donated to local community centers, natural cancer centers patients, food banks, shelters and other non-profit organizations.

HfH has two growing site. The main site is 2.5 acres in South Tempe where the bulk of the produce is grown and harvested. It is also where we conduct our larger hands-on educational workshops and seminars.

The second site was recently developed, with the help of a 2011 GRIC grant. The site is in an older, depressed, downtown Chandler neighborhood were we are transforming an abandoned, litter filled, dusty lot into an attractive outdoor “green” gathering place where neighbors work together to grow their own nutrient-dense food for their families. They are not only learning how to grow their own food to help feed their families and offset their monthly food bill, but they are taking pride in their garden and their neighborhood. Any excess produce is being donated to the Chandler Christian Community Center (CCCC) food bank for emergency food boxes for families in crisis.

Until now our focus has been on fine tuning our natural/sustainable growing practices, emphasizing growing a large variety of nutrient-dense fruits and vegetables here in the Valley on vacant land. This years program is shifting our focus to expanding our community education programs, with an emphasis on children and more specifically high school students with “special needs”. This program will allow us to expand our education piece of our organization, which enables us to:

- educate more people on awareness of where their food comes from
- start food and health awareness at a younger age
- have higher quality volunteers
- have more people growing their own food
- create healthier people in the community
- have a healthier environment

all while still increasing our food output, thus serving more families in need.

In addition to adding community eduction program in gardening, food preparation, healthy eating, exercise etc, we are working with many organization, such as the Boys and Girl Scouts, various schools and clubs. We have partnered with a variety of high schools in the East Valley and their Work Bridge Educational Program. This program gives students in Special Education (students with physical, mental or emotional disabilities) a variety of work experience in the community. HfH program is a hands-on work experience program designed to give the students a variety of tasks to give them the skills necessary to be competitively employed at some point in their future. With our proposed outdoor classroom and operating greenhouse (from last years grant) these students will get

work experience of planting, harvesting, feeding plants, working with the soil, washing and sorting vegetables and flowers, starting seedlings, pruning trees, garden art work, leadership skills and many other valuable skills to help them live independent lives as a productive adult in our community.

We have been running a test pilot program with 30 Tempe Union High School students from 4 different schools for 90 days. One day a week students are split into two classes for 1.5 hours, a morning class and an afternoon class. We have tested and proven this program to be very successful. Teachers and councilors have evaluated and shown marked improvements on many, if not all of the students. From increased eye contact, improved communication skills, being able to follow direction and leadership skills. Many of these students are autistic and do not communicate well. To date at least three of the students are now using spoken words to communicate. Better yet they are communicating and interacting with other students at the garden site and now in their traditional classrooms. This is a huge improvement and so imperative to the students future and success. It is been noted and proven that being in outdoors, in the fresh air, sunshine, amongst the plants and getting exercise has a profound impact on the health and happiness of these and all children.

b) Describe how the proposed program or project satisfies one or more of the “priority areas” identified by the Gila River Indian Community.

This program addresses two areas.

Education – Providing workshops and hands-on education for all of the community, with an emphasis on children. Educating where their food comes from and teaching how to grow your own food, live more eco and health conscious lives and be better citizens in our community. Classes in growing food, cooking, exercise and other healthy lifestyle choices. Principles such as water retention and conservation, composting, soil and plant science. These all add to the social fabric of our community. Work experience education for these “special needs” students will be a prime focus.

Health Care Services - Providing local, nutrient-dense produce to families that would otherwise not have access to fresh quality food. It is this area alone that we, as a society, are in desperate need. Most diets today are void of useful vitamins, minerals and other nutrients vital to good health. Socially, it is recognized that when families are involved in the growing of some of their own food, they become more cohesive, have a better understanding of the important role food plays in our lives and more cognizant of wastefulness. Because of this program the students we are serving are eating better as well which can help with emotional issues that a lot of these children deal with. We have also been able to include a group of cancer patients under doctors supervision that are fighting for their lives utilizing raw, organic vegetable diets. Most of these families cannot afford the cost of their diets, so we are helping out where we can.

c) Identify the needs/problems to be addressed, target population and number of people to be served by the project.

In the last few years we are seeing more people struggle to make ends meet, especially something as important as food. 45 million U.S. Citizens are now on food stamps and all food banks and community centers are struggling to keep up with the demand, especially in the area of fresh produce. 80% to 90% of food boxes are processed canned or boxed food. The target population is not only the over 9000 families a year that are given emergency food boxes by CCCC, but also people fighting life-threatening health issues such as cancer, diabetes and heart disease.

In addition there are tens of thousands of children in the greater Phoenix area alone with “special needs”. Our program is looking at helping educate at least 75 of these “special need” students this year

to improve their chances of living an independent, productive life. And educate over 500 local volunteers and business in healthy, eco-friendly, self-sustaining methods of living. Families will have access to education in growing their own food to create greater health and be more self-sufficient.

d) Describe the project goals and objectives, and your plan to meet them.

- Fully implement Community Educational Program and Work Bridge
 - build outdoor classroom
 - hire and train staff
 - obtain proper supplies
 - advertise – via Cox Communication commercial
- Increase food production, storage and delivery
 - better educated thus more productive volunteer staff
 - utilization of cold storage via an efficient refrigerated truck
- Improve and continue striving towards our Earned Income Self-funding business model
 - utilizing Work Bridge and other educated staff/volunteers to produce and sell fruit tree, vegetable and flower plants, fruits, vegetables and flowers, amendments and garden decor

e) Define the project as a new or continuing program.

Part of this project is the new Work Bridge Special Educational Program. The other is the optimization and continuing improvement of providing nutrient-dense produce for families in need. As well as our drive to be self-sufficient with our earned income model for our 3-5 year self-funding goals.

f) Identify other organizations, partners or funders participating in the project and their roles (see attachments section).

Starbucks – partnership with, we have developed a Store Recycle program and donations. Used coffee grounds are turned into soil amendment for use on the property and to resell.

Cox Communications – in-kind donation of a 30 second commercial that will be aired 75 spots a month. This will help raise awareness of HfH, its programs and income generating events and programs. Increasing our volunteer base, our customer base and our donation base. Grant application in for funding.

Intel – Volunteer Matching Grant Program up to \$10,000/yr

ING – Corporate and volunteer donations

Sea-of-Green – in-kind donations for growing lights and other equipment

J2 Engineering and Environmental Design – in-kind donation of engineering and design services for this project.

Achen-Gardner – in-kind services of engineering, surveying, grading, and other heavy equipment use

for the installation of the outdoor classroom.

Ewing Irrigation – in-kind donations of irrigation materials for greenhouse and outdoor classroom and cash donations

Agave Environmental Contracting – in-kind donations of installation of irrigation systems.

Arizona Renewable Energy Alliance (AREA) – in-kind donation of installation of classroom structure with solar panel roof.

Clean Energy Systems (CES) – in-kind donation of solar system to run Tempe Site.

Chandler Christian Community Center Food bank - beneficiary of produce.

Naturalpathic Medical Doctors of AZ Cancer Clinic – beneficiary of produce.

Singleton Moms – Non-profit that helps single parents battling cancer. Beneficiary

Tempe Union High School District – this partnership is for HfH to educate all of their students in their Work Bridge Program and the students, teachers and supporters to help with volunteer work on our Tempe Site.

Chandler High School – This grant will allow us the resources to add this school and their Work Bridge Students into our program.

g) Indicate any application to and/or awards made by a Tribe other than the Gila River Indian Community for state shared revenues for this and/or any other projects/programs.

We currently do not have any other Tribal funding application submitted or have ever received any funds from other tribes.

h) Provide a timetable for implementation.
(see attachment)

i) Identify long-term funding resources or project sustainability.

As stated previously we have in place a 3-5 year self-funding business model. This model includes but is not limited to producing and selling fruit trees, vegetable plants, flowering plants, seeds, planting soil and soil amendments, compost, gardening tools and decorations. We have also allotted specific higher end crops to be sold at a field market on our Tempe Site, in our proposed Outdoor Classroom area.

With the proper equipment, environment (green houses, shade structures and outdoor classroom) and staff we can economically produce these products and sell them to community gardens, schools, churches and the public through our field market (Tempe Site)

In addition we will charging a nominal fee for some of our educational programs.

Community and residential growing of produce is quickly becoming a trend.

With the price of commodities and food increasing at a rapid pace, people growing their own food is

becoming the “new thing” to do in communities around the country, especially here in the Valley. Harvest for Humanity has been doing this and providing food for various centers and food banks for 21 years now. We have become the 'go to' organization for individuals and organizations to learn the skills necessary to be successful here in the desert. These programs will help strengthen the community by educating people and providing fresh, local, nutrient-dense produce to families in need. Thank you for your consideration.

Reports

- **Describe your plan to document progress and results. Interim and final reports will be required for every grant awarded.**

The plan to document our progress and results will be recording and reporting of

- 1) Number of children tours and education classes held.
- 2) The number of East Valley Work Bridge Students that attend and benefit from our community work experience classes.
- 3) Number of participants in general public workshops and seminars.
- 4) Pounds and value of fresh produce being donated to Chandler Food Banks and other non-profits, charitable organizations and families in need.
- 5) Number of field markets held and amount of money raised for ongoing sustainability.



**Harvest
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Tempe Site Optimization and Education Program Budget

Proposed Funding for:	Amount requested of GRIC	Amount Secured other Funders	Funder or In Kind	In Kind Expenses	Total Budget
Executive Director Salary (partial)	\$20,000			\$20,000	\$40,000
Field Manager	\$14,000	\$7,000	Cox*	\$4,000	\$25,000
Teacher (part-time)	\$20,000				\$20,000
Admin Asst	\$10,000	\$8,000	Cox*	\$2,000	\$20,000
Payroll Taxes	\$5,950				\$3,850
Land Lease			Dr. Anand	\$8,000	\$8,000
Water			Dr. Anand	\$6,000	\$6,000
Irrigation Material			Ewing	\$12,000	\$12,000
Irrigation Install			Agave	\$12,000	\$12,000
Grading Site			Achen-Gardner Inc.	\$10,000	\$10,000
Engineering, Site Plans			J2 Engineering	\$3,500	\$3,500
Outdoor Classroom Structure Material	\$7,500				\$7,500
Outdoor Classroom and Solar Install			A.R.E.A.	\$24,000	\$24,000
Pavers – flooring for classroom			Aker Stone	\$3,750	\$3,750
Pavers install	\$2,450				\$2,450
Solar System			C.E.S.	\$24,000	\$24,000
Tools	\$2,750				\$2,750
Classroom Storage Shed	\$1,700				\$1,700
Soil Amendments	\$2,350				\$2,350
Signage	\$1,000				\$1,000
Classroom Seating	\$4,000				\$4,000
Solar Lighting	\$2,500				\$2,500
Potting/Prep Table	\$1,500				\$1,500
Sinks	\$500				\$500
Fountain and décor for classroom	\$3,400				\$3,400
Packaging Crates and Materials	\$2,200				\$2,200
Refrigeration Truck	\$15,000				\$15,000
Seeds/Starts	\$1,200				\$1,200
Start Tray/Pots			Phx Zoo	\$1,200	\$1,200
Bare root fruit trees	\$4,500				\$4,500
Insurance		\$3,200	Intel		\$3,200
Trees/shrubs/vines			Dave Wilson Nurs	\$3,500	\$3,500
Office Supplies	\$1,425				\$1,425
Marketing and Promotional Materials	<u>\$1,000</u>		Cox	<u>\$17,000</u>	<u>\$18,000</u>
	\$124,925	<u>\$18,200</u>		\$150,950	<u>\$291,975</u>



Date	Description
August 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grading and irrigation installation• Work Bridge curriculum approved• Volunteer recruitment• Fall volunteer workshop scheduling• Staffing• Soil prep for fall planting
September 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Start install of outdoor classroom• Start fall gardening workshops• Work Bridge classes start• Fall planting starts
October 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Planting continues• Fall plant sale• Gardening 101 workshop• Field Market Fund Raising Event• Outdoor Classroom complete
November 2012 December 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Winter Cooking Classes• Winter planting• Harvesting• Monthly workshops and classes
January 2013 February 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fruit Tree Sale – fund raiser• Start Spring seedlings – for sale• Monthly workshops and classes
March 2013 April 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Spring Plant Sale – fund raiser• Spring workshops and classes• Spring Fling Celebration with Work Bridge Students• Spring planting
May 2013 through September 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work Bridge Graduation Party• Summer planting• Monthly workshops and classes



November 28, 2011

Denise Phillips, Executive Director
Harvest for Humanity
617 N. Tamarisk St.
Chandler, AZ 85224

Dear Ms. Phillips:

Chandler Christian Community Center (CCCC) is pleased to offer this letter in support of Harvest for Humanity as you seek to enhance and sustain your programs through targeted grant funds. As the City of Chandler's single most comprehensive and largest food bank, CCCC provides a critically needed service to families that are economically disadvantaged and/or in crisis and facing food insecurity and your fresh, local, nutrient dense produce is a great asset to our program.

Since January 2010 our organization has received fresh fruits and vegetables for distribution to individuals and families in need. This partnership allows our organization to contribute towards eliminating hunger and food insecurity within the community while ensuring that vulnerable individuals have an assortment of nutritious, fresh food choices.

We are always grateful to receive your fresh produce and continue to identify, screen and serve individuals and families in need of emergency and supplemental food to families in need within our community during these challenging economic times.

We support your endeavors to seek financial support to sustain the infrastructure necessary to provide healthy, nutrient dense produce to local food banks and other non profit agencies.

We look forward to continuing to partner with Harvest for Humanity in the future. If needed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Trinity Donovan".

Trinity Donovan
Executive Director

Tempe★Union

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Associate Superintendent

May 1, 2012

Denise Phillips, Executive Director
Harvest for Humanity
617 N. Tamarisk St.
Chandler, AZ 85224

Dear Ms. Phillips:

The Tempe Union High School Work Bridge Program provides many opportunities for students to develop work skills necessary to be competitively employed. We strive to expand volunteer and work opportunities within the community where students can explore their interests and learn many valuable work skills and expand their resumes. Through these experiences, students are able to find out what they are good at as well as what type of work they enjoy. They learn many other valuable work skills such as how to work in a team setting, how to lead a team, as well as how to take directions from supervisors. We are so thrilled and impressed with the outcome of our initial pilot program with Harvest for Humanity that we are hopeful to expand this program next school year to include all of our students.

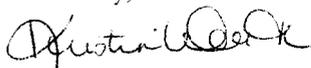
The Work Bridge Program is pleased to offer this letter in support of Harvest for Humanity as you seek to expand, enhance and sustain your Tempe Harvest Site Optimization and Education program through targeted grant funds. We are excited about the partnership with Harvest for Humanity and the educational program for our Work Bridge students.

We look forward to continuing our work with Harvest for Humanity to expand the education of our students in the areas of working with the soil, planting, starting seedlings, maintenance, and even in the business of selling plants, flowers and vegetables.

We support your endeavors to seek financial support to fully implement the infrastructure necessary to provide quality community education for our Work Bridge Students.

We look forward to our partnership with Harvest for Humanity. If needed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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May 1, 2012

Denise Phillips, Executive Director
Harvest for Humanity
617 N. Tamarisk St.
Chandler, AZ 85224

Dear Ms. Phillips:

The Chandler High School Work Bridge Program provides opportunities for students in Special Education to work at various job sites in the community. The program is designed for graduating seniors and enables us to provide the students with the vocational and employability skills needed to become productive citizens after leaving high school. Next school year we would like to use your location as a platform for learning.

The Work Bridge Program is pleased to offer this letter in support of Harvest for Humanity as you seek to expand, enhance and sustain your Tempe Harvest Site Optimization and Education program through targeted grant funds. We are excited about the partnership with Harvest for Humanity and the educational program for our Work Bridge students.

We look forward to working with Harvest for Humanity to expand the education of our students in the areas of working with the soil, planting, starting seedlings, maintenance, and even in the business of selling plants, flowers and vegetables.

We support your endeavors to seek financial support to fully implement the infrastructure necessary to provide quality community education for our Work Bridge Students.

We look forward to our partnership with Harvest for Humanity. If needed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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