

Hospitals, Health Care, & Human Services Committee Priority Development and Advocacy Committee

Re: Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center

**Dear Committee Members:** 

Dayton Children's Hospital is thrilled to write this letter in support of Sunlight Village's request for PDAC funding for the Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center which will provide low-income women and children access to healthy and affordable food and high-quality health care in West Dayton.

Dayton Children's is focused on the relentless pursuit for optimal health for every child in our reach. We know children in West Dayton have significantly lower health outcomes than their counterparts in other areas of our community. Through our work in the hospital's Center for Health Equity, we are working to better understand the health disparities that exist amongst our children, identify the reasons behind why a child is not thriving and work with the community to provide the support necessary at a much earlier point. As we have identified through conversations with the community and review of our data, we know families in this community lack access to high-quality food, health education and health services. Through this partnership with Sunlight Village, we believe the Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center is the perfect opportunity to provide meaningful and impactful services to improve health outcomes.

Located at the intersection of James H. McGee Boulevard and Germantown Streets, proximal to two new housing developments, this market would also revitalize a blighted site and bring new traffic and energy to the West Dayton community. We urge your support of this development which brings much-needed services to some of the most vulnerable families in West Dayton.

Sincerely,

Jessica Salem, MPA

Executive Director, Center for Health Equity

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Hospitals, Health Care, & Human Services Committee Priority Development and Advocacy Committee

Re: Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center

**Dear Committee Members:** 

The City of Dayton is pleased to write this letter in support Sunlight Village's request for PDAC funding for the Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center which will provide low-income women and children access to healthy and affordable food and high-quality health care in West Dayton.

The proposed Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center will bring another major investment opportunity to a community working coopertaively to erase years of economic, health, and housing disparities in Southwest Dayton. The City of Dayton, along with key strategic partners have employed the tenets of asset-based development to leverage almost \$80 million in community and economic development projects bringing quality jobs, housing, and healthcare opportunities to residents in the Miami Chapel and Edgemont communities. This proposed health, wellness, and medical project will establish innovative and sustainable food and pediatric medical options that address both the food and healthcare insecurities deeply rooted in this community.

This community development project will bring new traffic and energy to the community which is finally seeing signs of revitalization through the infusion of new housing, businesses, and other meaningful community investment. Located at the corners of Germantown Street and James H. McGee Boulevard, at the edge of an eclectic neighborhood business district, this market would also revitalize a site positioned for redevelopment.

The City of Dayton is in full support of the Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center project and urge your support of this development which will bring much-needed grocery and healthcare services to some of the most vulnerable families in our City.

Thank you for your consideration.

Veronica Morris

Respectfully,

Veronica Morris, Acting Division Manager

Division of Development

Department of Planning, Neighborhoods, & Development



October 20, 2023

Hospitals, Health Care, & Human Services Committee Priority Development and Advocacy Committee

Re: Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center

Dear Committee Members:

CityWide Development is pleased to write this letter in support Sunlight Village's request for PDAC funding for the Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center which will provide low-income women and children access to healthy and affordable food and high quality health care in West Dayton.

CityWide has been engaged in planning and community organizing in southwest Dayton neighborhoods since 2016, when we became the planning coordinator for the HUD Choice Neighborhood planning effort, led by Greater Dayton Premier Management and the City of Dayton. We led a community process that engaged more than 500 people and led to the development of an adopted transformation plan, Renew Miami Chapel. The plan, based on direct feedback from residents, calls for the development of new amenities that ensure residents have better access to healthy and affordable food and quality health care. The proposed project meets these needs.

Located on Germantown St., at the edge of the neighborhood business district, this market would also revitalize a blighted site and bring new traffic and energy to the area.

Located at the intersection of James H. McGee Boulevard and Germantown Streets, proximal to Economy Linen and two new housing developments coming online, this market would also revitalize a blighted site and bring new traffic and energy to the West Dayton community. Collectively the partners have raised 70% of the funds needed to bring this project to fruition. We urge your support of this development which brings much-needed services to some of the most vulnerable families in West Dayton.

Sincerely,

Karen DeMasi

Senior Vice-President

Community Development





October 31, 2023

Hospitals, Health Care, & Human Services Committee Priority Development and Advocacy Committee

Re: Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center

**Dear Committee Members:** 

On behalf of Co-op Dayton, I write to express our support of Sunlight Village's request for PDAC funding for the Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center. The market will provide low-income women and children access to healthy and affordable food and high-quality health care in West Dayton.

We strongly support Sunlight Village's proposal to develop this project so that we can expand access to food and healthcare in our community. The efforts underway by Co-op Dayton are well aligned with Sunlight Village's project. We hope to add healthy food and healthcare amenities to food desert areas that have struggled with decades of disinvestment and redlining. The market will not only bring access to healthy and affordable food to West Dayton but is using a model that focuses on low-income mothers and young children and strives to create a convenient process that directly fits their needs. Located on Germantown St., at a key intersection in West Dayton proximal to two new housing developments, this market would also revitalize a blighted site and bring new traffic and energy to the community. We urge your support of this development which brings much-needed services to some of the most vulnerable families in West Dayton.

Sincerely,

Cherrelle Gardner, Program Director

Co-op Dayton



Oct. 25, 2023

Hospitals, Health Care, & Human Services Committee Priority Development and Advocacy Committee

Re: Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center

**Dear Committee Members:** 

The Hall Hunger(HH) Initiative is pleased to write this letter in support of Sunlight Village's request for PDAC funding for the Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center which will provide low-income women and children access to healthy and affordable food and high-quality health care in West Dayton. HHI has collaborated with the Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center from its earliest stages, providing a small microgrant of \$5000 to support early development of the project.

Since our founding by Ambassador Tony Hall in 2015, HHI has been working in partnership with the community to create a sustainable and just food system in the Miami Valley. As a part of that work, we were instrumental in the development of the Gem City Market, a community owned and operated grocery store in an area where fresh produce was impossible to find. We devoted a great deal of our time and resources to develop and sustain the market because we know access to healthy food is fundamental to health. Areas where it's hard to get fresh vegetables and fruit have significantly higher rates of diet related diseases, literally robbing years of life from people simply because of their zip code.

In the same way we believed deeply in the community value of the Gem City Market, we believe the Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center would change lives by bringing healthy food to West Dayton neighborhoods. We strongly support the focus on low-income mothers and children who use WIC and are some of our most vulnerable populations.

Located on Germantown St., at a key intersection in West Dayton proximal to two new housing developments, this market would also revitalize a blighted site and bring new traffic and energy to the community. We urge your support of this development which brings much-needed services to some of the most vulnerable families in West Dayton.

Sincerely,

Mark Willis, Director



## **Greater Dayton Premier Management**

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October 30, 2023

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Re: Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center

**Dear Committee Members:** 

Dayton Metropolitan Housing Authority dba Greater Dayton Premier Management (GDPM) is pleased to write this letter in support Sunlight Village's request for PDAC funding for the Healthy Family Market/Dayton Children's Westside Pediatric Center (the Project) which will provide low-income women and children access to healthy and affordable food and high-quality health care in West Dayton.

GDPM is the local metropolitan housing authority and services residents of Montgomery County, Ohio. Sunlight Village has worked with GDPM for over 7 years, and in partnership, we are realizing great progress and real investment in West Dayton. GDPM has been an engaged partner in the Project from its inception.

The Project will be located directly across the street from DeSoto Bass, one of the largest public housing communities in Dayton. GDPM recently secured over \$30 million in Low Income Housing Tax Credits, along with other resources, for the first two redevelopment phases of the DeSoto Bass site. These funds will provide new, sustainable housing for low income residents over the long-term. Development of the Market and Pediatric Center will be critical to support the families that will continue to live on the DeSoto Bass redeveloped site.

Located on Germantown St., at a key intersection in West Dayton this market will also revitalize a blighted site and bring new traffic and energy to the community. GDPM is confident that funding for Sunlight Village will benefit not only West Dayton, but all of Montgomery County. We urge your support of this development which brings much-needed services to some of the most vulnerable families in West Dayton.

Sincerely,

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