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September 28, 2020

Mr. Justin Weller, Project Manager
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Dear Mr. Weller & the GrandWorks Foundation,

Thank you for sharing information about the Urbana Youth Center project with Bridges Community Action Partnership.

Bridges is committed to improving the community of Urbana and the surrounding area. When there are 1,155 kids who are classified as disadvantaged and nearly one in three kids live in poverty, Bridges believes we all have a responsibility to step up and address the situation.

For these reasons, Bridges is proud to give our endorsement and full support to the Urbana Youth Center project. GrandWorks has a track record of developing and accomplishing important community projects and we believe in their ability to make this youth center a reality.

Bridges is looking forward to working with GrandWorks and the community to make the Urbana Youth Center a success.

Sincerely,

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Andrew Binigar
Executive Director



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April 13, 2020

Mr. Justin Weller, Lead Project Manager
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Re: Letter of support for the Urbana Youth Center

Dear Mr. Weller and GrandWorks Foundation,

Please accept this letter of support, on behalf of myself and the Bundy Company, for the Urbana Youth Center project which seeks to provide needed resources to local youth in our area.

Our company is committed to improving our local communities. As a local manufacturer, I see the need for the project to move forward for many different reasons; some of which including the following:

- In our school districts, 53% of children are classified as disadvantaged and 1 in 3 live in poverty
- Improved economic resources can lead to greater applicant prospects and support strong stable workforces

GrandWorks Foundation has been able to assist the community with other projects and this one can be the same. As an employer, our growth stems from the growth of our youth and community; therefore, an organization like the Urbana Youth Center could provide necessary resources to our youth.

Additionally, as a board member of the community being a Champaign County Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau and a member of the local Manufacturers group, we are always looking to find ways to improve our community which includes repurposing buildings. This redevelopment project is another way of partnering for economic development to strength our community and provide opportunities to our youth and families which currently are limited.

I am a strong believer in this community and working together for the success of our economy. Together we can make a strong impact on the now but a lasting impact on the future. We look forward to aiding and witnessing the success of the Urbana Youth Center.

Sincerely,

Tom Coles
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April 14, 2020

Mr. Justin Weller, Project Manager
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RE: Letter of Support for the Urbana Youth Center

Dear Mr. Weller,

Please accept this letter of support on behalf of the Champaign County Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau for the Urbana Youth Center project.

Our organization is committed to making our community a great place to, live, work and play. As the Executive Director of the Champaign County Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau, I see the need for the project to move forward for many reasons including the following:

- A Youth Center will add to the quality of life in our county making it more attractive to future and current employers and workers.
- In our school districts, 53% of children are classified as disadvantaged and 1 in 3 live in poverty.

GrandWorks Foundation has assisted the community in the past by bringing back to life a historic theatre proving it can do the same for other historic buildings. The Urbana Youth Center project compliments the Champaign County Chamber of Commerce whose mission is to advance the business and community interests of Champaign County and its trade area.

I believe in this community and all that we can accomplish when we work together for the success of future generations. We look forward to being involved in this project and helping to ensure the success of the Urbana Youth Center.

Sincerely,

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Sara Neer
Executive Director
Champaign County Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau



Dear Mr. Weller & the GrandWorks Foundation,

Thank you for sharing information about the Urbana Youth Center project with Mercy Health Urbana Hospital.

Our company/team is committed to improving the community of Urbana and the surrounding area. When there are 1,155 kids who are classified as disadvantaged and nearly one in three kids live in poverty, Urbana Hospital believes we all have a responsibility to step up and address the situation. Our mission statement stated below directly reflects our commitment to the UYC project. Our staff and leaders are excited to brainstorm ways we can contribute to the wellness of the youth that will utilize this facility.

"Mercy Health Partners extends the healing ministry of Jesus by improving the health of our communities with emphasis on people who are poor and under-served."

For these reasons, **Urbana Hospital is proud to give our endorsement to the Urbana Youth Center project.** GrandWorks has a track record of developing and accomplishing important community projects and we believe in their ability to make this youth center a reality.

Mercy Health Urbana Hospital is looking forward to working with GrandWorks and the community to make the Urbana Youth Center a success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jamie Houseman".

Jamie Houseman, President Urbana Hospital

RIVER^{of}LIFE

Christian Center

Dear Mr. Weller & the GrandWorks Foundation,

Thank you for the opportunity to meet with you and Pastor Jim. It was exciting to hear you share the information about the Urbana Youth Center project.

River of Life Christian Center is committed to helping our community in the Urbana and surrounding area. When there are 1,155 kids who are classified as disadvantaged and nearly one in three kids live in poverty, we believe we all have a responsibility to step up and help. The vision you shared and the areas of service you have planned I know will make a significant impact.

GrandWorks has a track record of developing and accomplishing important community projects and we believe in their ability to make this youth center a reality.

For these reasons, River of Life looks forward to the opportunity of working with GrandWorks and the community to make the Urbana Youth Center a success.

Thank you again for sharing with us the vision for the Urbana Youth Center and the opportunity to support such a great cause.

Sincerely,



Pastor Daniel R. Leiker



URBANA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 2, 2020

Dear Mr. Weller & the GrandWorks Foundation,

As a member of the GrandWorks Foundation Board, I have had several opportunities to learn about the Urbana Youth Center project. And while several churches throughout our community provide youth ministry opportunities for our students, having a youth center devoted to assisting our student population succeed academically and with life skills that will help them thrive and make a positive impact on our community and world, is vital.

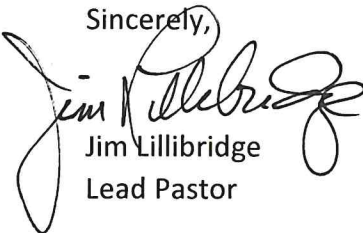
The Urbana United Methodist Church's mission has always been, in part, to improve the community of Urbana and surrounding areas. As such, we are 100% behind the mission of GrandWorks to reach, restore and revive our community for the glory of God. The Urbana Youth Center is another big step in that direction.

Further, when I look at the statistics and discover that in our school district there are 1,155 kids who are classified as disadvantaged and nearly one in three kids live in poverty, I was greatly surprised. The Urbana United Methodist Church certainly believes that we all have a responsibility to step up and address the situation.

For these reasons, **I am proud to give my endorsement and full support to the Urbana Youth Center project.** GrandWorks has a track record of developing and accomplishing important community projects and I continue to believe in their ability to make this youth center a reality.

I, along with the Urbana United Methodist Church, look forward to working with GrandWorks and the community to make the Urbana Youth Center a success.

Sincerely,



Jim Lillibridge
Lead Pastor



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10/20/20

Dear Mr. Weller and the GrandWorks Foundation,

Thank you for sharing information about the Urbana Youth Center project with Mercy Health Mercy REACH, outpatient alcohol, drug and tobacco treatment program serving Champaign, Clark and surrounding counties.

Our program is committed to improving the community of Urbana and surrounding area. When there are 1,155 kids who are classified as disadvantaged and nearly one in three kids live in poverty, Mercy REACH believes we all have a responsibility to step up and address the situation.

For these reasons, Mercy REACH is proud to give our endorsement and support to the Urbana Youth Center project. We believe in GrandWorks ability to make this youth center a reality.

Mercy REACH is looking forward to working with GrandWorks and the community to make Urbana Youth Center a success.

Sheri Haines, LICDC-CS
Sheri Haines, MA., LICDC-CS, LPC

Manager Mercy Health Mercy REACH

Outpatient Alcohol, drug and tobacco treatment program

April 15, 2020

Mr. Justin Weller
Project Manager
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Dear Mr. Weller:

Thank you for sharing information about the Urbana Youth Center project with Urbana University, a branch campus of Franklin University.

GrandWorks has a track record of developing and accomplishing important community projects. I believe in their ability to make this youth center a reality.

Further, GrandWorks has demonstrated their expertise in the renovation of historic and iconic structures like the Castle. It seems like a practical use of space to allow for the Urbana Youth Center to be located in this community treasure.

My team can see the value in adding a youth center to the community. We are committed to understanding the multifaceted educational issues faced by youth in Champaign County, and believe that we have a supportive role to play in improving youth education in our region. We can envision supporting new youth center programming and initiatives, and linking interested staff and students as volunteers and mentors to support area youth. Our team has a track record of providing students to assist local school kids in grades k-12 with homework, tutoring, ACT/College-Prep, and performing and visual art educational support. We have also designed summer camps for youth as well.

I support this project.

Sincerely,



Christopher L. Washington, Ph.D.
Executive Vice President and CEO