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December 27, 2021

Re: The Betty Chinn Homeless Foundation's Support for The City of Eureka, UPLIFT  
Eureka Program's Application for The Encampment Resolution Funding Program

Dear Grant Administrators:

Let this letter serve as a Letter of Support for the above-named applicant regarding The Encampment Resolution Funding Program. The proposed project will enable The City of Eureka's UPLIFT Eureka Program to serve members of our community experiencing homelessness who reside in the encampment along the south end of The Eureka Waterfront Trail in a new, innovative way, not yet explored in this area.

The Betty Kwan Chinn Homeless Foundation has worked closely with UPLIFT Eureka since its inception, in various capacities. Through our ongoing partnership, The Foundation has celebrated numerous successes, all serving one purpose: to empower and to serve more individuals of this community experiencing homelessness and to help those individuals retain their dignity and independence, while assisting them in achieving their goals, ultimately finding meaningful pathways to safe and stable housing.

In full support of UPLIFT Eureka's proposal for innovative interim and permanent housing service models, The Betty Kwan Chinn Homeless Foundation will provide case management services to the residents of the proposed ERF project that are person-

centered and trauma-informed. The foundation will also provide an on-site trauma counselor for the residents. A core principle of The UPLIFT Eureka Program is empowerment of the individuals it serves. Providing case management services to the residents of the ERF project will allow The Foundation the opportunity to continue to serve UPLIFT Eureka's participants. Providing a therapist who specializes in trauma will allow the residents' needs to be met on-site, giving them the opportunity to heal in a therapeutic environment.

While The Foundation has been in service of this community for some time, UPLIFT Eureka has been a vital addition to the homelessness services provider sector of the area. The Mission of The Foundation is to honor all of humanity by providing direct responses to immediate needs and helping the homeless achieve the dignity needed to return to society as contributing members. UPLIFT Eureka's policies and practices are in direct alignment with our mission statement, and we are excited to expand our capacity through the enhancement of our relationship with UPLIFT Eureka, regarding the prospect of the proposed ERF project.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



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Subject: Eureka Police Department Community Safety Engagement Team's Support for  
The City of Eureka, UPLIFT Eureka Program's Application for The Encampment  
Resolution Funding Program

Dear Grant Administrators:

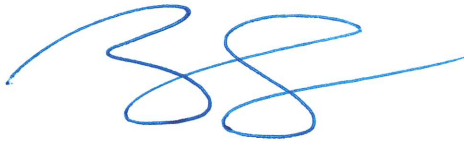
As the City of Eureka continues looking at alternative, non-traditional, and innovative ways to address issues of homeless, UPLIFT Eureka (UPLIFT) and Eureka Police Department Community Safety Engagement Team (CSET) have been significant partners in moving this vision and mission forward. Over the past three years, CSET and UPLIFT collaborate on a daily basis as members of CSET and UPLIFT Homeless Outreach Workers (HOWs) are embedded together. This daily collaboration includes co-response to individuals in crisis, responding to calls-for-service and proactively engaging with Eureka's homeless community, working with a multitude of other community partners, and streamlining community members to services.

Just as with current daily collaboration, CSET will provide support and collaborative efforts with UPLIFT in various fashions for this proposed project. To address



encampments, CSET partnered with UPLIFT, will proactively engage individuals offering services, resource information and options while still balancing accountability. Once encampments are vacated, CSET, in collaboration with community partners, will coordinate clean-up efforts and implement Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) strategies to decrease the likelihood of the area being re-settled. Moreover, to ensure encampments are not re-established, CSET will proactively patrol these locations. Along the way, CSET will continue directly connecting individuals to services as shown in the 200 individuals streamlined to substance abuse treatment facilities over the past three years.

Sincerely,



Brian Stephens, Acting Police Chief

