April 12, 2011

Ren Scammon Administrative Serviçes Officer El Dorado County Department of Human Services 3057 Briw Road, Suite A Placerville, CA 95667

RE: White Rock Village, El Dorado Hills Boys and Girls Club Facility Enhancement Feasibility Study

Dear Ms. Scammon:

The Boys and Girls Club of El Dorado County has been operating a highly successful program at the White Rock Village Apartments owned and operated by Mercy Housing in El Dorado Hills since the Summer of 2010. The Club operates a full service program M-F during the school year from 2pm-6pm and a Summer Camp M-F from 12pm-6pm during the summer months. The program serves on average 30 kids, aged 6-18 daily. There are well over 200 school age kids that live at White Rock Village and surrounding areas that could benefit from the program but are unable to participate due to the space constraints at the current location.

The Club strives to help all of our Members in the following areas; Academic Success, Good Character & Citizenship and Healthy Lifestyles! Help with Homework, a nutritious snack, a mentor to talk to and full slate of engaging programs focused on positive youth development and activities are all part of our Club experience everyday!

All of the children that participate currently live at the 168 unit White Rock Village affordable housing development. There are many more children from White Rock Village and surrounding areas that would like to participate, but due to space constraints, are unable to. We are currently sharing Mercy Housing's multipurpose room with the many other valuable programs that Mercy Housing operates at the development. The County Head Start Program also operates a class room in another part of the building. As currently configured, the physical building constraints are not sustainable and we are exploring other options to run the program offsite. We would like this to be temporary.

Therefore, we are requesting that the County consider applying for and conducting a CDBG Planning and Technical Assistance Grant to study the options for enhancing the physical space for providing our program at the White Rock Village Apartments for the Youth of White Rock and the surrounding areas.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. We look forward to working with you on this critically important project.

Sincerely yours, Sean McCartney

CPO/Executive Director



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