

August 31, 2022



To the California Department of Social Services selection team,

We are writing in enthusiastic support of the McKinleyville Family Resource Center's (McKFRC) application to bring a Guaranteed Income Pilot to our community in Humboldt County.

As a local non-profit, Changing Tides Family Services has almost 50 years of direct engagement and service to our community as a dynamic family resource agency providing child care, children and youth behavioral health, special needs & disability support, and other family services. Our over 150 full and part time staff provide quality, community-based services which demonstrate the agency's values of respect, integrity, excellence, health and wellness, flexibility, and fiscal responsibility in carrying out our mission to increase the health and success of children, youth, families and individuals.

We know that McKFRC's proposal for a Guaranteed Income (GI) Pilot would have a tremendous and lasting impact on so many people in Humboldt County. Rural communities like ours, where the need is so great, are often overlooked or passed by for projects like this, but our strength lies in a history of close collaboration across many partner agencies that ensures success. Our agency is committed to supporting our neighbors and friends at McKFRC in this work, and we stand ready to offer outreach, resources, and support to nurture their work in the development and implementation of a Guaranteed Income Pilot in our community.

In funding the McKinleyville Family Resource Center's (McKFRC) application proposal, your team would be making a critical investment in rural families and a better life in our corner of California. We wholeheartedly encourage the support of this project and appreciate your consideration for funding it.

Sincerely,



Kerry R. Venegas  
Executive Director  
Changing Tides Family Services

Kerry Venegas, Executive Director

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August 18, 2022

California Department of Social Services

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing on behalf of Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). We are pleased to support McKinleyville Family Resource Center's (McKFRC) application to CDSS for a Guaranteed Income Pilot in Humboldt County.

DHHS and McKFRC have a long history of collaborating to improve the lives of Humboldt County residents. Most notably, DHHS is a core partner of The Center at McKinleyville. Along with Open Door Community Clinics, Department of Child Support Services, Trinidad Rancheria Tribal Social Services, and Cal Poly Humboldt Social Work, McKFRC and DHHS worked together for ten years to bring a first of its kind integrated services center to the Northern Humboldt Region. We continue to collaborate to create and maintain an environment that is safe, welcoming, and respectful for all staff and visitors to The Center.

In addition to work related to The Center, DHHS and McKFRC collaborate on a variety of projects related to child abuse prevention, mental health promotion, substance use prevention, youth workforce development and health equity in Humboldt County.

McKFRC and The Center are an ideal home for a GI Pilot in Humboldt County. We look forward to partnering with McKFRC to serve youth aging out of foster care and pregnant people in Humboldt County. Our team has already been working to support McKFRC's application by providing data and access to benefits waiver. We look forward to partnering to design and implement a successful GI Pilot in Humboldt County. We know that this Pilot will have lasting impacts for the individuals, families, and communities served.

Sincerely,

*Connie Beck*

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## Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria



To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing on behalf of Trinidad Rancheria Tribal Social Services in support of McKinleyville Family Resource Center's (McKFRC) application for a Guaranteed Income Pilot in Humboldt County.

The mission of the Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria is to preserve and promote our cultural and traditional beliefs; improve quality of life and self-sufficiency; uphold tribal sovereignty; create positive partnerships; and protect the environment in order to provide a healthy community, honor our elders, and guide our youth. The Trinidad Rancheria Social Services Department was created and designed to support our Tribal Members with cultural integration and holistic approaches. Our programs include Court and Child Welfare Advocacy, Substance Use Education, Emergency Services, Case Management, Victim Services, Behavioral Health Support and more.

We have worked alongside McKFRC as a Core Partner with The Center. In addition to participating in the design and implementation of this first of its kind Integrated Services Center, we have a longstanding relationship with McKFRC's case management team. We regularly work together to support individuals and families in the Northern Humboldt region.

We support McKFRC's Guaranteed Income Pilot serving foster youth and pregnant or parenting people in Humboldt County. McKFRC staff are committed to equity, with a specific focus on partnering with Tribes. We know that McKFRC will hold equity at the core of the development of this pilot program. We look forward to partnering with McKFRC to make this Guaranteed Income Pilot a success in Humboldt County.

Sincerely,

Angela Sundberg, MSW

Trinidad Rancheria

Social Services Director



August 25, 2022

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing on behalf of First 5 Humboldt in support of McKinleyville Family Resource Center's (McKFRC) application for a Guaranteed Income Pilot in Humboldt County. First 5 Humboldt believes this could be a life-changing intervention for many struggling families, and that the Center and McKFRC are well positioned to succeed in this effort. We urge you to support their application.

First 5 Humboldt is a local government agency that improves the lives of children and their families by supporting and advocating for comprehensive integrated systems of services that use prevention and early intervention to foster secure healthy children, reduce disparities, and promote equity and positive change.

Children have no voice or choice in the circumstances that they are born to, and many families in Humboldt County are struggling to provide for the basic needs of their children. We believe that the Guaranteed Income Pilot proposed by McKFRC's would help improve the lives of children and families and serve as a valuable pilot program to explore the individual and community scale effects of this approach.

First 5 Humboldt has a long history of collaborating to improve the lives of Humboldt County children. We work with partners throughout the County, including the McKFRC, to provide Playgroups, concrete needs assistance, and parenting support and education in Humboldt County. In addition, we have supported the development of The Center at McKinleyville; a first of its kind integrated services center.

The Guaranteed Income Pilot will require collaboration across partner agencies and communities. McKFRC and The Center are an ideal home for this kind of collaboration. We look forward to working with McKFRC and its many partners to help design a Guaranteed Income Pilot program that improves the lives of the children, families, and communities in Humboldt County.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Ann Hansen" followed by a horizontal line.

Mary Ann Hansen

Executive Director



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August 31, 2022

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing on behalf of Humboldt Network of Family Resource Centers (HNFRC) in support of McKinleyville Family Resource Center's (McKFRC) application for a Guaranteed Income Pilot in Humboldt County.

HNFRC acts as a hub and a collaborative mind for local organizations to share best practices, build relationships, and form coalitions to address community concerns. Through collaboration, mutual support and respect, our family strengthening network improves child, family and community health and well-being.

Together, our 16 member sites, including McKFRC, provide support to thousands of Humboldt County residents each year. Resource Centers hold valuable relationships with the communities they serve. These relationships will be an important part of the Guaranteed Income Pilot in Humboldt County. From referrals to optional resources, our sites are prepared to support participants of the Guaranteed Income Pilot Program.

Like The Center, the Guaranteed Income Pilot will require collaboration across partner agencies and communities. McKFRC and The Center are an ideal home for this kind of collaboration. We look forward to working with McKFRC and our many partners to create and support a Guaranteed Income Pilot program that improves the lives of the children, families, and communities in Humboldt County.

Sincerely,

Cassi Le-Hue  
Chair, Humboldt Network of Family Resource Centers



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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing on behalf of Child Support Services in support of McKinleyville Family Resource Center's (McKFRC) application for a Guaranteed Income Pilot in Humboldt County.

Our mission is to provide Child Support Services to meet each family's unique needs. As an onsite partner with The Center at McKinleyville, we've been working closely with McKFRC for nearly a decade to meet the needs of the children and families of our rural communities.

Child Support Services is ready to work alongside McKFRC to support any families enrolling in the Guaranteed Income Pilot who may have existing Child Support cases or who open Child Support cases during the Pilot. We pride ourselves on our ability to ease the navigation of complex systems for those we work with and are prepared to do the same in support of this important initiative.

Like The Center, the Guaranteed Income Pilot will require collaboration across partner agencies and communities. McKFRC and The Center are an ideal home for this kind of collaboration. We look forward to working with McKFRC and our many partners to create and support a Guaranteed Income Pilot program that improves the lives of the children, families, and communities in Humboldt County.

Sincerely,

*Bennett Hoffmann*

**Bennett Hoffmann**

**Director of Child Support Services**

**North Coast Regional DCSS**

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and Information Network

To Whom It May Concern,

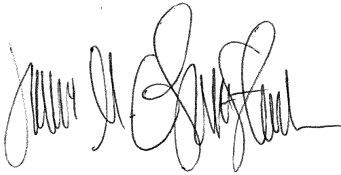
I am writing on behalf of North Coast Health Improvement and Information Network (NCHIIN) in support of McKinleyville Family Resource Center's (McKFRC) application to CDSS for a Guaranteed Income Pilot in Humboldt County.

Our Mission is to improve the health of the people of Humboldt County with health information exchange and support for community health improvement. We know that McKFRC's Guaranteed Income Program will have community wide health benefits in Humboldt County.

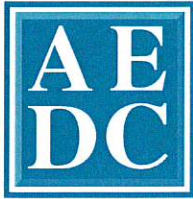
Like NCHIIN, McKFRC is committed to the attainment of the highest level of health for all people. Equity is a key goal in the design, implementation, selection, and monitoring of our services and projects. Over our years of partnership, we have seen McKFRC's ongoing commitment to equity across its programs. We know that equity will be foundational to McKFRC's Guaranteed Income Pilot.

McKFRC and The Center are an ideal home for GI Pilot in Humboldt County. We look forward to partnering with McKFRC to serve youth aging out of foster care and pregnant people in Humboldt County. We know that this Pilot will have lasting impacts for the individuals, families, and communities served.

Sincerely,



Jessica Osborne-Stafsnes, COO



## Small Business Lending Center

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Sept. 2, 2022

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing on behalf of Arcata Economic Development Corporation (AEDC) in support of McKinleyville Family Resource Center's (MCKFRC) application to CDSS for a Guaranteed Income Pilot in Humboldt County.

A regional Community Development Financial Institution, our mission at AEDC is to provide loans and support to entrepreneurial, innovative business and community endeavors. We provide financing for businesses and community development projects in Del Norte, Humboldt, Mendocino, Lake, Siskiyou and Trinity Counties, and sometimes Shasta County, in Northern California.

Through programs like our Individual Development Accounts, we look for opportunities to support economic mobility efforts by helping business owners acquire business assets. We are also working closely on making sure our economic development efforts account for equity. We have recently hired a Public Investing and Innovation Director who will be addressing the capital absorption capabilities of our area, convening a variety of voices and seeking funding to address our economic development needs from not just a business perspective, but from a people perspective.

Recently, we have been working with the County of Humboldt and our Child Care community to support our child care industry. Child Care is an integral piece of our economic infrastructure. Taking care of our young people is critical strategy for the economic health of our community. Providing Guaranteed Income to those most vulnerable to these hardships, including youth aging out of foster care and pregnant or parenting people will have far-reaching positive impacts on individuals, families, and communities across Humboldt County.

McKFRC and The Center are an ideal home for GI Pilot in Humboldt County. We look forward to partnering with McKFRC and other community partners to support this project.

Sincerely,

Program Director, AEDC





August 30, 2022

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing on behalf of Partnership HealthPlan in support of McKinleyville Family Resource Center's (McKFRC) application for a Guaranteed Income Pilot in Humboldt County.

Partnership HealthPlan of California (PHC) is a non-profit community-based health care organization that contracts with the State to administer Medi-Cal benefits through local care providers to ensure Medi-Cal recipients have access to high-quality comprehensive cost-effective health care. PHC provides quality health care to over 600,000 lives. Beginning in Solano County in 1994, PHC now provides services to 14 Northern California counties - Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Marin, Mendocino, Modoc, Napa, Shasta, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Trinity and Yolo. Our Mission is to help our members, and the communities we serve, be healthy.

We have partnered with McKFRC on the delivery of an Asthma Home Visiting Program in Humboldt County and regularly refer our members to receive services with McKFRC. We are excited to partner with McKFRC to bring a Guaranteed Income Pilot to Humboldt County. We know that this program will have positive health impacts for the youth and pregnant or parenting people it serves.

Like The Center, the Guaranteed Income Pilot will require collaboration across partner agencies and communities. McKFRC and The Center are an ideal home for this kind of collaboration. We look forward to working with McKFRC and our many partners to create and support a Guaranteed Income Pilot program that improves the health of the children, families, and communities in Humboldt County. Sincerely,

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Elizabeth Gibboney

CEO, Partnership HealthPlan of California