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June 26, 2024

Mar Vista Community Council P.O. Box 66871 Mar Vista, Ca 90066

RE: Neighborhood Purpose Grant

Dear Mar Vista Neighborhood Council Members,

We are pleased to submit this application for the Mar Vista Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) on behalf of the Richland Ave Booster Club, a Non-Profit 501(c)(3) organization. Our mission is to raise funds to enhance the educational services and support provided to the children at Richland Ave Elementary School. As a public school, our efforts are crucial to the academic success and overall well-being of our students.

The playground at Richland Ave Elementary School is currently covered with black asphalt, which generates excessive heat, making outdoor activities uncomfortable and potentially unsafe for the children. Additionally, the playground lacks adequate shade, leaving the children without a cool place to rest during recess.

We are also seeking to address privacy concerns by installing screens on the playground fence. This measure is crucial to protect our students from unwanted attention. There was an unfortunate incident involving a member of the public exposing themselves to the children, which has understandably raised significant concerns within our community.

To address these issues, we are applying for the NPG grant to purchase and install three-point sail shades and outdoor privacy fence screens in the Transitional Kindergarten (TK) and Kindergarten play areas. Your generous support will help us provide a safer and more comfortable environment for our young learners, ensuring their well-being and peace of mind for their parents.

For any additional information or questions, please feel free to contact us at the email address provided above. We eagerly anticipate the opportunity to collaborate with the Mar Vista Neighborhood Council in making a positive impact on our children's lives.

Thank you for considering our application.

Sincere

President Richland Boosters Club



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Dear Mar Vista Community Council Members,

I am pleased to write this letter in support of the Richland Boosters Club's application for the Neighborhood Purpose Grant. As the principal of Richland Ave Elementary School, I can attest to the critical role that the Booster Club plays in supporting our students, staff, and parents. We regularly partner with the Booster Club to enhance the educational experience and overall well-being of our school community.

This grant will be instrumental in providing much-needed shade and privacy for our students. Currently, our playground is exposed to the sun, creating a hot and uncomfortable environment for the children. Additionally, installing privacy screens will help ensure the safety and security of our students during outdoor activities.

We are enthusiastic about the potential impact of your generous assistance. The children at Richland Ave Elementary School will greatly benefit from the improvements funded by this grant, enhancing both their comfort and safety.

Thank you for considering this application. Your support will make a significant difference in the lives of our students.

Sincerely,

Mme Tabitha Thigpen Principal