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Re: Mid-Year Progress Report on City of Morgan Hill Funding of Community Outreach to Enroll Uninsured Morgan Hill Children into Health Coverage for the First Half of Fiscal Year 2016-2017

Dear Chris,

On behalf of Healthier Kids Foundation's (HKF) health coverage enrollment program, I am pleased to provide the City of Morgan Hill with a mid-year progress report on the status of our efforts to identify uninsured Morgan Hill children and assist them with enrolling into subsidized health coverage.

Health Coverage Enrollment

Between July 1, 2016 and December 31, 2016, HKF identified 12 uninsured Morgan Hill children. Of those children, 8 have successfully enrolled into a health coverage program. The remaining 4 children are still in the process of applying for and enrolling into health coverage. Currently, Santa Clara County has successfully insured 98% of our children. The City of Morgan Hill has successfully decreased their number of uninsured children as well. As of 2016, the City of Morgan Hill has decreased the number of uninsured children ages 0-17 to 3.4% (U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2016).

Community Outreach

While the City provided funding for .33 FTE Outreach Specialist to focus on the Morgan Hill community, HKF provided additional staff to assist with building relationships among community-based organizations and schools. HKF staff conducted community outreach to the following organizations which resulted in HKF identifying more uninsured Morgan Hill children who need assistance obtaining health coverage:

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| - Boys & Girls Club | - Discovery Counseling |
| - Morgan Hill Values Youth Meetings | - MHUSD Liaison Office |
| - Morgan Hill CABB | - Morgan Hill Library |
| - Cultural Center | - Voices Academy |
| - St. Catherine Catholic Church | - Starbucks |
| - Migrant Education | - Trader Joe's |
| - Panaderia Ortiz | - Jamba Juice |
| - LATI event | |

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HKF's outreach efforts in Morgan Hill is primarily centered on establishing and maintaining a larger presence among and within the Morgan Hill community. Our South County Outreach and Educational Lead, Maria Padilla, has been a constant figure at Morgan Hill youth collaborative meetings and community gatherings. She is assisting with the planning of and advocacy for the Morgan Hill Values Youth Fair and was on the planning committee for the LATI's Annual Community Event. Maria has created strong community relationships and has become a true advocate for children in the Morgan Hill Community.

Leveraged Services

While staff work with the Morgan Hill community to identify uninsured children, HKF was able to provide dental and vision screening services to Morgan Hill children. Between July 1, 2016 and December 31, 2016, HKF screened 141 Morgan Hill children for dental problems at El Toro Elementary, Barrett Elementary, and the Boys and Girls Club. HKF screeners provided 76 Morgan Hill children with vision screenings at the Morgan Hill Unified School District Migrant Education Program and the Boys and Girls Club. Roughly 13.5% of children vision screened had a result that indicates a potential vision issue and 24% of those dental screened had a result that indicates one or more dental problems. HKF case managers provide follow up to all parents whose child's screening result indicates a potential issue in order to assist the child with accessing the appropriate treatment. Moreover, HKF assists children with finding a dental and vision home so that they may access regular, preventative, health services. HKF is pleased to bring these additional services to the Morgan Hill community.

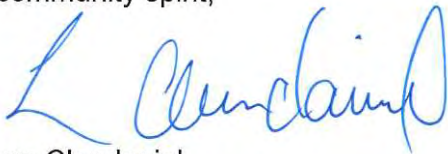
Next Steps

HKF staff is committed to continuing its work assisting more uninsured Morgan Hill children with obtaining health coverage and services. Establishing strong, strategic partnerships with service providers in Morgan Hill is critical to our success in identifying more uninsured Morgan Hill children. HKF will continue to build on its current relationships while also establishing new ones.

HKF is extremely grateful to the City of Morgan Hill for its investment in our efforts to ensure that Morgan Hill children have access to health coverage and preventative health services. We are looking forward to providing a report at the end of the year that summarizes all our efforts to ensure Morgan Hill children become and remain healthy.

Do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or need additional information. I can be reached by email (laura@hkidsf.org) or by phone (408.564.5114x220)

In community spirit,



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