

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

November 23, 2021

Program Council 1111 Franklin Street Oakland, CA 94607

RE: 2021 Call for CE Positions

Dear Members of the Committee,

We are pleased to provide this letter of support for the program: Breaking the Cycle of Poverty, through Nutrition, Health, Wellness and STEAM education for Black, Latinx and other People of Color in the Alameda County urban unincorporated communities of Ashland, Cherryland, Hayward Acres and San Lorenzo which we represent.

The "Cluster Hire" proposal developed by Bay Area County Director, Frank McPherson will help address Education, Nutrition, Health & Wellness disparities impacting our Black, Latinx and other minority communities of color, especially our youth and senior populations from a wholistic framework.

Students of color in our communities lack a holistic educational approach that incorporates STEAM, Nutrition, and Health Education. The science-based insights the Advisors and Specialist can provide, as outlined in the proposal will help to promote and create resilience within our community.

Our offices see an urgent need of programs such as these, and fully supports the creation of the Youth Development, Community Development, and Nutrition Education Advisor positions in the Bay Area. We also see a need for the Specialist positions being proposed at UCSF and UC, Berkley.

This proposal comes at a crucial time, as our communities face multiple challenges including high health disparities, including diabetes and hypertension, pathways to STEAM careers, and healthy lifestyle education. We are impressed with the team of Advisors and Specialists that Frank is proposing. Its impact could be powerful and far-reaching.

If positions are approved for hire, we are committed to supporting their individual goals and objectives and will work with them to jointly improve the societal conditions within our minority and marginalized communities.

Sincerely,

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