



August 16, 2017

Supervisor Karen Mitchoff, Chair
Supervisor John Gioia, Vice Chair
Finance Committee
Contra Costa Board of Supervisors
651 Pine St., Martinez, CA 94553

Dear Supervisors Mitchoff and Gioia,

On behalf of the Ensuring Opportunity Campaign to End Poverty in Contra Costa and the community members with whom we work, I am writing to urge you to support establishing the Stand Together Contra Costa rapid response network.

As you know, the Ensuring Opportunity Campaign brings together policy makers, residents, business leaders, labor leaders, government agencies, nonprofit providers, and faith-based organizations to create better opportunities for all residents in the county. Ensuring Opportunity advocates for fair and effective policies in several issue areas, including health security, economic security, food security, housing, education, immigration and community safety.

The members of our Leadership Team (see list on this page) support programs such as this rapid response and community education program to ensure all immigrant residents will feel safer, be less likely to withdraw from the safety net services that they are eligible for, and pursue the life they want for themselves and their families in Contra Costa.

It is important for the Board of Supervisor to do its part to help the county live up to your stated vision of being a world-class service organization where innovation and partnerships merge to enable our residents to enjoy a safe, healthy and prosperous life. I encourage you to support Stand Together Contra Costa to support and protect the residents who are the fabric of our community. Thank you for your vision and leadership on this important issue.

Sincerely,

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