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May 30, 2002

Mr. William D. Waller
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RE: Youthbuild, The Next Generation

Dear Mr. Waller:

Once again, your organization, SHARE, of North Carolina, Inc. has identified a program desperately needed to help people and improve communities.

I commend you for undertaking the project. You have our utmost support and best wishes for success.

If my office can be of future assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

HOWARD COBLE
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Mr. William Waller, Executive Director
SHARE of North Carolina
3803 Burlington Road
Greensboro, NC 27405

Dear Mr. Waller:

The Employment Security Commission (ESC) supports the effort of the Greensboro Lifeskills Center (GLC) in its effort to secure funding for the Youthbuild the Next Generation project. This project will provide educational services and on-the-job training which I think would be very valuable towards reaching a goal of self-sufficiency through job attainment. The goal to create a better life for these youth is worthy of your agency's support.

The ESC will refer individuals who are in need of adult literacy education for the completion of the General Education Diploma to the Youthbuild the Next Generation Training program. Our agency will also offer job placement assistance for the individuals exiting the program as we do for the rest of the Greensboro community. The ESC also provides placement assistance through our web site at www.ncesc.com.

Since a good job with good pay is an excellent way to achieve self-sufficiency, granting the GLC with funding for the Youthbuild the Next Generation program would greatly enhance this effort.

Sincerely,



Ben Barnwell, Jr.
Manager





Project Independence at Partnership Village
GREENSBORO URBAN MINISTRY
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May 28, 2002

William Waller, Executive Director
SHARE of North Carolina, Inc.
3803 Burlington Road
Greensboro, NC 27405

Dear Mr. Waller

RE: Collaboration with Youthbuild - The Next Generation - 1 July 2002—30 June 2004

Project Independence at Partnership Village is writing in support of your proposal, Youthbuild - The Next Generation. This proposal is being submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on May 30, 2002. Youthbuild will provide on the job training and education for 16-24 year old members of the St. James Community in Greensboro. The role of Partnership Village will be to provide Transitional Housing with supportive services to single individuals and families.

Partnership Village is a Transitional Housing Program. It is joint effort of Greensboro Urban Ministry; Habitat for Humanity; HME, Inc.; Housing Opportunities, Inc.; United Child Development Services; and the Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro. The purpose of transitional housing is to move people out of homelessness into a stable living situation. During a residents stay in transitional housing they will participate in case management and life skills training. Budgeting, handling a savings account, and dealing with creditors will be areas that will be addressed while participating in case management. Efforts will be made to assist residents in establishing or re-establishing a good credit report. Community involvement, and chaplaincy support services are readily available. Partnership Village is a drug and alcohol free environment.

We will continue to support Greensboro Lifeskills, and we look forward to working with you in the near future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michelle Wilson".

Michelle Wilson
Assistant Director
Project Independence at Partnership Village



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May 28, 2002

Mr. William Waller
Executive Director
SHARE of North Carolina, Inc.
3803 Burlington Road
Greensboro, NC 27405

Dear Ms. Foster:

RE: Collaboration for your proposal-Youthbuild-The Next Generation

As a Court Counselor Supervisor working in the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Provision, we frequently need resources for our older clients-those 16-18 years of age who are returning to the community from our Youth Development Centers and need support and direction while on post-release supervision. Your proposal that you plan to submit to US Department of Housing and Urban Development on May 30, 2002, would provide the opportunity for our clients to receive educational services as well as on-the-job training which will benefit them as they become contributing members of society.

This grant would allow our young people the opportunity to develop marketable skills in a more nontraditional educational setting, which is preferable for many of our young people upon their return to the community. The ability to provide for their needs will hopefully deter them from further crime. In this case, the young person as well as the community will win!

Please keep us informed of the progress of the proposal.

Sincerely,

Court Counselor Supervisor



Greensboro Housing Coalition

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May 28, 2002

Bill Waller
SHARE of North Carolina
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Dear Bill:

We are excited to hear that you are doing a YOUTHBUILD program. Your strong experience in training unemployed youth to be construction workers--including GED and other important lifeskills--fits so well with this program. And we know how important it is for our community to have skilled construction workers to build and rehabilitate needed housing in our community and to support their families in such a positive way.

Greensboro Housing Coalition advocates for decent, affordable housing for low and moderate income people and those with special needs. Our Campaign for Safe & Healthy Housing brings together those who can repair or replace unsafe housing, the Homeless Prevention Group we facilitate brings together those who serve people who have lost housing, our tenant and homebuyer education programs prepare people to be responsible residents, and our neighborhood outreach identifies residents whose housing needs improvement. Through all of these programs, we can find connections with the work you will be doing through YOUTHBUILD so that our partnership can do more than either of us separately.

Thank you for not only your fine record of building homes but also your commitment to making them affordable, to including in your workforce those who have often been left out, and to working cooperatively with others in the community. You have our full support!

Sincerely,

Beth McKee-Huger
Executive Director