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February 25, 2021

City of Appleton Community Development ATTN: Nikki Gerhard 100 N. Appleton Street Appleton WI 54911

Dear Ms. Gerhard,

Please consider this an "addendum" letter to Apricity's 2021/2022 CDBG application. At the time the grant application was being written, and projects planned, we were not aware of how much of an impact Covid-19 would have on the affordability of working on this current CDBG's cycle of projects. In addition, at the time of submission for 2019/2020's CDBG, we had not included the expense of hiring an architectural firm.

Unfortunately, the extra expenditure of that in combination with increased costs on building materials, prevented us from working on a major project: that of upgrading the treatment facilities A/C system. Providing a comfortable environment for clients is a priority of Apricity in both a physiological and psychological manner. Many of the medication's our clients take for mental health issues or blood pressure can hamper the brains ability to regulate body temperature. This inability results in increased sweating which can lead to dehydration, or by blocking the feeling of thirst which can lead to heat stroke.

For this reason, we are submitting a formal request for an additional \$32,000 to be awarded to Apricity in the 2021/2022 grant cycle. These dollars would then be utilized to complete the project of upgrading our treatment facilities A/C system.

Respectfully,

Jolie VerVoort

President, Residential Treatment

Apricity