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To Encino Neighborhood Council:

Thank you so much for supporting New Friends Homeless Center every year. We really appreciate your involvement in our mission to serve the unmarginalized people of the San Fernando Valley.

Addressing the first & second question, attached to this email is the Completion Report, as well as the revised application form with the corrected Expected Completion Date.

For the third question asking for the cut-off information, here are full copies of the answers:

- 4) The intent of this grant request is to gain financial support for food supply expenses required for feeding the unhoused and food insecure population in Encino. New Friends Homeless Center currently operates meal services on Sunday afternoons at 17114 Ventura Boulevard in Encino. Any funds received as part of this grant will be used exclusively for food supplies for an estimated 500 meals provided at NFHC for the upcoming months. This includes regular meal service on Sunday afternoons, with the intent of restarting our Tuesday & Monday evenings in Encino, which had to be paused due to COVID last year. NFHC, with its strong and courageous leadership and committed group of volunteers, is up to the task of feeding those who need it the most in our community. This grant will help support our ability to provide meals for the less fortunate in the community while also bringing together those from our community to serve and make a lasting difference.
- 5) New Friends Homeless Center is dedicated to feeding the unhoused and food insecure in our community. We offer a place of respite, sanctuary and home for those who have no place to call home themselves. When our guests enter through the doors, they are made to feel welcome and are shown they are loved by a warm and kind staff of volunteers. Every Sunday afternoon, New Friends Homeless Center provides its guests with a free, nutritious four-course meal. In addition to meals, we offer our guests free clothing, hygiene kits, pet food, water and extra food packs. We are staffed by a group of over 50 volunteers from the community who provide personal attentive services designed to bring encouragement into the lives of the less fortunate. This includes live entertainment, food service and a friendly ear for all our guests. We have had the honor to serve those most marginalized in our community for over eleven years and the positive effect we have had on the community has not gone unnoticed. The work being undertaken by New Friends Homeless Center is both inspiring, and at times, sobering to witness. The number of people seeking our assistance has grown enormously since our inception,

especially during COVID, and it shows no sign of abating. The financial demand for providing our services has also escalated as the cost of food prices have gone up due to the pandemic.

As per the fourth question, our service days are still Sundays, and we are currently working on bringing our Tuesday nights back.

To answer the fifth question, the number of guests each week is different, and we document how many meals are served per service.

For the last question, we will thank the Encino Neighborhood Council for their generous donation in our newsletter.

God Bless You,

April Belt

Pastor April Belt, CEO and Executive Director / Founder New Friends Homeless Center/Miracle Minded Ministries 3