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RE: TMWG WA COVID-19 Response

To Whom this may concern,

The Moore Wright Group (TMWG) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization with the EIN number:81-5157499. Our mission is to break the cycle of poverty, abuse, and abandonment in our community by providing hope. Our vision is to create communities where people can thrive. The Moore Wright Group operates out of 2 locations, one in Demopolis, Alabama that services the needs of Marengo County, AL, and the other in Tumwater, Washington that services the needs of SW Washington and Northern Oregon.

In 2018 The Moore Wright Group (TMWG) created a program called the Resource Connection Center, located at 2747 29th Street SW Tumwater WA 98512. The Resource Connection Center (RCC) is a resource hub that works with survivors of abuse and abandonment, with community agencies to help survivors of trauma and abuse meet their emergency and basic needs such as new clothing, home essentials, and hygiene items. All donations received through the RCC, which averages 10 pallets a week, come brand new from local retailers such as Walmart, BuyBuy Baby, Uline, Amazon, Bombass, and The Men's Warehouse. The RCC provides life and work skills classes and opportunities to foster healing and create long term success and is a certified Training and Assessment to teach Certified Logistics Technician, Certified Forklift Repair Technician Certification, OSHA 10 and Forklift training. The RCC is designed to address the social determinants of health to help survivors move out of trauma and poverty and become thriving, healed, and self-sufficient members of the community. In 2019 we have serviced over 18 organizations (2,800 families) and events with over \$3,400,000.00 worth of product. During this Christmas holiday we will service over 9,000 families alone to ensure families not just have basic needs but toys to make children feel like children.

In the midst of this COVID-19 pandemic here in Washington State, our main programming is Disaster Distribution Center (DDC). TheDDC brings in and distributes new donations from retailers to government, non-profit agencies, hospitals, faith-based organizations and Tribes that directly serve communities

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affected by COVID-19 to help assist their clients in maintaining a better quality of life. The DDC is designed to address the social determinants of health to help the community to survive this pandemic. Organizations in Thurston, Lewis, Mason, Grays Harbor, Pacific Counties are being serviced and now we are working with our Port of Olympia to build capacity, and can service organizations in all of SouthWest Washington.

To date since COVID-19, in Washington, TMWG has partnered with 22 nonprofits, 9 hospitals, 12 state agencies, and 1 tribal organization in 5 counties to assist the needs of families and vulnerable populations, during this critical time here in the state of Washington. Currently, our impact averages 1,700 community members per week through our partnerships, and we are anticipating that number to rise over the coming weeks to over 3,500 per week.

The Moore Wright Group is dedicated to our communities. As an organization, we are supplying essential needs items to multiple organizations throughout our region, and we are the only organization of our type in the region. We also have challenges during this very trying time as well. 95% of our funding has come from contracts and classes taught through our Warehousing and Logistics Academy. Those fundings are all on hold for the foreseeable future. We know our services are vital during these trying times facing our community, and we need to pay our rents and keep our doors open. Keeping essential products stocked in our facility for the community is also a challenge. As soon as we get it it's needed within the community. We know this situation has created a mass buying frenzy in our community, but created more of a need because of the inability of our low income, homeless and vulnerable populations to have access to it. These vulnerable populations often had to make alterations to their lives first, creating more challenges and could potentially increase the spread of COVID-19 because of a lack of options. With that in mind we are bringing in truck loads of donations to the community, but we have to pay for transportation costs which right now is averaging 1,500.00 a 53 ft truckload.

We are directly helping to impact our community in a humanitarian way to ensure all stay safe and have access to basic, essential and needed supplies daily. We will use all funding we receive right now to ensure more supplies coming into our community. We are working to expand our reach, and help more community

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members and countries who need the services we offer, and the only one in the state who does so.

If you have any questions or would like to donate to our mission and work, we can be contacted at info@tmwg.org, or at 360-207-0188. I can be emailed directly at Tanikka@tmwg.org.

Thank you and stay safe,

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