

July 22, 2018

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to ask you to consider donating an auction item for a fundraiser on Saturday, September 29th benefiting The City Center Transitional Living. There are presently 71 people living at The City Center and 40 of them are children – all of them were homeless. We gave them temporary housing, where they can feel safe, find stability, obtain employment and develop the life skills necessary to successfully move out into their own living situations.

The City Center is Ventura's only transitional housing center that does not receive government funding. We truly offer a hand-up . . . not just a hand-out . . . through extensive case management, counseling and mentoring. We provide housing with a goal of transitioning a resident out of the program in one to two years. Upon graduation from the resident program, they may enter our graduate program, where they receive continued support during the critical transition from The City Center into the "real world".

Our upcoming C E L E B R A T I O N event, featuring the beachy surf theme "Catch the Wave", promises to be a fun evening for all. Our guests will enjoy a cocktail hour perusing silent auction items, followed by a gourmet buffet dinner and dancing to the live band, Soul Infusion. This will take place at a lovely private venue in Ventura and is sure to be a night to remember!

Generous sponsors like you are the key to our success and make it possible for us to provide transitional living for our residents, equipping them to rebuild their lives for self-sufficiency. We are asking for community support through both monetary donations and donations of goods or services that will be promoted at our silent auction during the event. The City Center is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization, and we are happy to provide a charitable deduction receipt for any donated items. Thank you for considering this opportunity to change lives for children and families in our community.

Sincerely,

Shonda Vielbig
Silent Auction Committee

All contributions are tax deductible; Federal Tax ID# 46-5674375