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Ms. Tania DeYoung 1420 Twelve Oaks Ct. Alamo, CA 94507

Dear Tania and the Holiday Adopt a Bike Program,

Thank you for your generous donation of wonderful bikes this year. Your donation directly benefits many clients in the community here in Concord. These bikes provide necessary transportation for our clients to go to work, school, and appointments as well as present great health and wellness opportunities. This year's bike distribution was particularly welcomed. With the extreme downturn in the economy owning a bike is more essential than ever for those we serve. It can mean the difference between getting quickly to work and being able to provide for your family. It can mean getting to run errands or attend appointments in a practical manner. Many of our clients walk everywhere because they can't afford a car or gas and public transportation is fragmented, expensive and infrequent here in the Monument Corridor. The arrival of the bikes was a highlight for all of us!

Each donation we receive whether a bicycle or cash is extremely important for the health and welfare of our clients. As you know, the Monument Crisis Center provides nutritious food, community education and referrals to families and individuals in crisis situations, while promoting public awareness and support. We continue to see an increase in new families in need of our services; many seniors, disabled, and mothers with small children.

Our services include the Food Distribution Program, After School Café tutoring for elementary and middle school children, Youth Action Board (YAB) for at-risk neighborhood teens and Senior Moments for our elders. We also provide nutrition, health, employment and community education workshops, and offer English (ESL) classes. A variety of nonprofit agencies provide probono services including health screenings, cooking classes, housing services, and legal aid.

Working together, dedicated staff, hundreds of enthusiastic volunteers, and generous donors like you, we are making a difference in our community! Thank you again for your consideration and generosity. We look forward to your continued support in the future. Thank you!

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Sandra Scherer Executive Director

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