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Memo

To Board of Education

From Tony Smith, Ph.D., Superintendent

Board Meeting Date *6-23-10*

Subject Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) regarding Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministation - Havenscourt Campus

Action Requested Approval by the Board of Education of the MOA between OUSD, The Eisenhower Foundation, and Safe Passages regarding the working relationship to replicate and evaluate the Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministation being created at the Havenscourt School Campus.

Background The Youth Safe Have-Police Ministation will serve 50 children and youth, from K through 8th grade. The new replication will provide participants with after school homework assistance, social support, one-on-one adult mentoring, group mentoring, nutrition and youth advocacy by civilian staff and specially training by District police.

To evaluate the impact of the program a comparison group will be created. This comparison group will be composed of 50 children and youth who live in a comparable community and do not attend the Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministation program. The Eisenhower Foundation will also evaluate the impact of the program on the local community - by analyzing target community crime rates, relative to crime rates in a comparable neighboring community and in the city as a whole.

Discussion The goals of the replication are to improve school-performance by youth, positively develop youth, reduce delinquency and crime in the community, reduce fear in the community, improve resident-police relations, strengthen the institutional capacity of the District Police Department, communicate program success through the media, sustain the program after the Eisenhower Foundation support has ended, and create a model worthy of national replication by the Eisenhower Foundation in partnership with public sector national urban policy.

Recommendation Approval by the Board of Education of the MOA between OUSD, The Eisenhower Foundation, and Safe Passages regarding the working relationship to replicate and evaluate the Youth Safe Have-Police Ministation being created at the Havenscourt School Campus.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT
AMONG
THE EISENHOWER FOUNDATION,
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
AND
SAFE PASSAGES

This MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA), entered into on May 1, 2010 is among the EISENHOWER FOUNDATION, hereinafter called the FOUNDATION, SAFE PASSAGES, a 501 (c)(3) organization, hereinafter called SP; and the OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, hereinafter referred to as the DISTRICT.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the FOUNDATION seeks to replicate and evaluate a Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministration in the Havenscourt School Campus, with fiscal management provided by SP;

WHEREAS, the FOUNDATION, SP and the DISTRICT agree to cooperate in the evaluation of the Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministration;

WHEREAS, the FOUNDATION, SP and the DISTRICT agree that the intent of this relationship is to maximize the positive impact of the Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministration replication and the quality of the evaluation program.

This MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT shall remain in effect for the period of 3 years, unless an extension is agreed to by all parties.

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this MOA is to define and facilitate a collaborative working relationship among the FOUNDATION, SP and the DISTRICT to replicate and evaluate the Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministration being created at the Havenscourt School Campus. The goals of the replication are to improve school-performance by youth, positively develop youth, reduce delinquency and crime in the community, reduce fear in the community, improve resident-police relations, strengthen the institutional capacity of Oakland Unified School District Police Department, communicate program success through the media, sustain the program after FOUNDATION support has ended, and create a model worthy of national replication by the FOUNDATION in partnership with public sector national urban policy.

II. BACKGROUND

The Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministration will serve 50 children and youth, from K through 8th grade. The Havenscourt Campus (which houses two middle schools: ROOTs and Coliseum College

Preparatory Academy) administrators, and adjacent Lockwood Campus (which houses two elementary schools: Futures and Community United@Lockwood) administrators/or their designees will select the participants. The participants need to be in addition to any other youth being served by SP. The new replication will provide participants with after school homework assistance, social support, one-on-one adult mentoring, group mentoring, nutrition and youth advocacy by civilian staff and specially trained DISTRICT police. DISTRICT Police will institute school-based, policing in the schools and will work with Oakland Police Department's community-based problem-oriented policing efforts in the surrounding Havenscourt neighborhood. DISTRICT police will work with OPD police to ensure safe passages of youth to the Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministration. A civilian director will lead the overall replication.

To evaluate the impact of the program on the Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministration youth, a comparison group will be created. This comparison group will be composed of 50 children and youth who live in a comparable community and do not attend the Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministration program. Information from student report cards, school conduct records, annual surveys and other resources will be used by FOUNDATION staff to evaluate the performance of the Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministration participants, relative to children and youth in the comparison group.

The FOUNDATION will also evaluate the impact of the Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministration program on the local community – by analyzing target community crime rates, relative to crime rates in a comparable neighboring community and in the city as a whole. In addition, changes in resident fear of crime, resident attitudes toward police and community-wide economic indicators (like property values) will be measured in the target community, relative to the comparison community.

III. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE FOUNDATION

The FOUNDATION will fund the replication and will assist SP in raising local matches. Initial FOUNDATION funding will be for twelve months, with continuation funding based on good performance and positive outcomes, as evaluated by the FOUNDATION.

The FOUNDATION will provide on-site training, on-site technical assistance, evaluation, media support and an annual national cluster workshop in which staff from all Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministration replication programs across the nation meet, learn from one another and learn from Foundation experts.

The Foundation will provide SP and the DISTRICT with an annual evaluation report regarding the impact of Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministration on program participants and on the target community. The report will allow staff at SP to make midcourse corrections, based on what is working and what is not working.

FOUNDATION staff will meet semi-annually with Safe Passages and DISTRICT staff including DISTRICT Police Department staff to verify the partnership is working well together and to solve problems that may arise.

FOUNDATION evaluation and program staff will be available to discuss issues that may arise during the program replication period.

The FOUNDATION'S continuation of this agreement is contingent upon funding by the United States Department of Justice and other sources, as well as good performance by local Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministation staff, as judged by the FOUNDATION.

B. RESPONSIBILITY OF SP

SP will lead, house and operate the Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministation replication, as detailed in the program description by the FOUNDATION.

Using leveraged funding in the total of \$51,092.00 (without using FOUNDATION funding), SP will cover the cost of a 0.5 FTE DISTRICT police officer to participate in the Youth Safe Haven Ministation program at the Havenscourt-Lockwood school campus by providing mentoring services to youth 20 hours per week and to conduct school-based policing on the Havenscourt campus.

At the end of each participant school grading period, SP staff will provide the FOUNDATION with report card data/copies of report cards, school conduct reports and any related information that can be disclosed for the 50 Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministation youth participants and 50 comparison children and youth (i.e. those not in the Youth Safe Haven Police Ministation program). SP will submit information to the FOUNDATION on Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministation program youth participation. SP will partner with the FOUNDATION in collecting community measures (including, but not limited to, resident fear, resident attitudes to police and changes in economic indicators).

SP will work with the DISTRICT POLICE DEPARTMENT to provide school crime data for the Havenscourt (and Lockwood) schools, the comparison school community and the DISTRICT as a whole. The data will be provided at least semi-annually.

SP will work with the City of Oakland (including Oakland Police Department) to provide reported community crime for the Havenscourt community/neighborhood, the comparison community and the city as a whole. The data will be provided at least semi-annually.

C. RESPONSIBILITY OF THE DISTRICT

The DISTRICT will cooperate in the evaluation process by ensuring that schools in which Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministation children and youth are enrolled will provide SP with participant student report cards, student conduct information and any related academic information that can be disclosed for the 50 Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministation youth participants and the 50 comparison children and youth (i.e., those not in the Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministation program).

The DISTRICT will assure that local schools will continue to adhere to this MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT during the Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministation replication period, particularly in the event of a change in school administration.

a. RESPONSIBILITY OF THE DISTRICT POLICE DEPARTMENT

The DISTRICT POLICE DEPARTMENT will provide a .5 FTE police officer to mentor youth 20 hours per week and to conduct school-based policing on the Havenscourt campus.

The DISTRICT Police will coordinate with Oakland Police Department to bridge Havenscourt school-based policing efforts with existing Oakland Police Department community-based policing efforts in the surrounding Havenscourt community/neighborhood with a focus on improving youth and law enforcement relationships. Designated Havenscourt DISTRICT Police will help coordinate school-based enrichment activities such as recreation, sports and mentoring with assigned Oakland Police Department Havenscourt community-based officers as well as other District police officers to help eliminate barriers and misconceptions between youth, community members and law enforcement officers.

DISTRICT POLICE will convene quarterly meetings with SP and assigned Oakland Police Department to help strengthen the relationships between Oakland Police and DISTRICT Police efforts in the Havenscourt community and schools.

IV. CONFIDENTIALITY

The parties will ensure confidentiality of all student school information and all community resident information generated, created or reviewed in connection with the Youth Safe Haven-Police Ministation program.

V. MISCELLANEOUS

The following terms shall apply:

The MOA constitutes the entire agreement between parties with regard to the subject matter hereof. No promises, terms, or conditions not recited, incorporated or referenced herein shall be binding upon any party.

The MOA may be amended only upon the written agreement of all parties. Any amendments will be appended to this agreement.

Each year the FOUNDATION will initiate a review of the MOA. The purpose of the review will be to reaffirm organizational commitment to the MOA and to share lessons learned, thereby strengthening collaborative relationships among Safe Passages, District and Foundation.

This MOA will be effective upon signatures by all parties. Any of the three parties may terminate this agreement by providing 30 calendar-days written notices to the other two parties.

VI. POINT OF CONTACT

The individual named below shall serve as the point of contact for all correspondence pertaining to this MOA:

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties agree to the above terms and responsibilities and have caused this MOA to be signed by their duly authorized representatives:

For Milton S. Eisenhower Foundation:

Alan Curtis
President and CEO

Date

For Safe Passages (501) (c)(3)

Josefina Alvarado Mena
Executive Director

Date

For Oakland Unified School District

Tony Smith, Ph.D.
Superintendent

Gary D. Yee, Ed.D.
President, Board of Education

Date

Peter Sarna
Oakland Unified School District Police Chief

Edgar Rakestraw, Jr., Secretary
Board of Education

Date

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Office of General Counsel
APPROVED FOR FORM & SUBSTANCE
By [Signature]
Attorney at Law