

MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF PLACER

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jim Holmes, Supervisor District 3

DATE: November 23, 2010

SUBJECT: REVENUE SHARING – Approve appropriation of \$500 in Revenue Sharing monies to the Placer High School *Breaking Down The Walls Program* to help offset the cost of the school workshops, as requested by Supervisor Holmes (\$500).

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve appropriation of \$500 in Revenue Sharing monies to the Placer High School *Breaking Down The Wall Program* to help offset the cost of the school workshops, as requested by Supervisor Holmes (\$500).

BACKGROUND/COMMUNITY BENEFITS: In approving the following contributions, the Placer County Board of Supervisors finds that each and every approved contribution serves a public purpose by promoting the general welfare of the County and its inhabitants therefore a benefit results to the County.

The Board of Supervisors is being asked to approve appropriations to help fund the Placer High School *Breaking Down The Walls Program*. *Breaking Down The Walls* is an interactive program that creates a unique environment of self reflection and community building designed to bring unification to schools. The *Breaking Down The Walls* leadership program empowers positive leaders from a variety of peer groups to help create a school climate that is safe, comfortable, and supportive for everyone. Together, students build a common purpose that creates a more compassionate and respectful climate on campus. The funds designated towards this program will help offset the cost of the workshops and the workshop facilitator.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds are available in the Revenue Sharing budget.



PLACER HIGH SCHOOL

"A California Distinguished School"

Peter Efstathiou, Principal
Gary A. Pantaleoni, Assistant Principal
Kim K. Barry, Assistant Principal

October 26, 2010

To the Placer County Board of Supervisors

My name my name is Addie Pass and I am a senior at Placer High School. The reason I am contacting you is because I am starting my Senior Project and I am interested in bringing a program called Breaking Down the Walls to Placer High School. The program is designed to bring unification to schools. It is a powerful interactive program that creates a unique environment of self reflection and community building. Students discover the power of getting to know one another as well as the impact they have on those around them. Breaking Down the Walls is also a leadership program as it empowers positive leaders from a variety of peer groups to help create a school climate that is safe, comfortable, and supportive for everyone. The Program starts off with an all school assembly where a speaker, using compelling stories and humor, asks student to reflect on themselves and how they interact with those around them on a daily basis. The following days are called workshop days. You assemble 150 different students a day for 2-4 days to work with a Breaking Down the Walls facilitator in an powerful all day program. Together, student build a common purpose that creates a more compassionate and respectful climate on our campus. In order to bring this program to Placer High School we need between \$6,500 and \$10,000. For my senior project I am meeting with various service groups and community organizations with a goal to raise a minimum of \$6,500 I have support from Placer HS principal's at risk fund, Friends of Placer, Rotary, and individual private members. I would like to ask a donation of \$500 to \$1,000 from the County Board of Supervisors. I have met with Mr. Jim Holmes and he indicated he would be in support of this program and asked that I write this letter explaining my request. If you decide to give a donation, the check can be made out to Placer High School and mailed to Principal Peter Efstathiou, Placer High School, 275 Orange Street, Auburn, CA 95603.

Thank you for your time considering this matter in support of the students at Placer High School.

Your support is greatly appreciated

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Addie G. Pass". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Addie Pass