



The Unitarian Society of Santa Barbara

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December 7, 2010

Honorable Helene Schneider
735 Anacapa St.
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Dear Mayor Schneider,

I am writing you to make a request of the City of Santa Barbara for immediate funds in the amount of \$10,000 to support the current Freedom Warming Center activities that began December 1, 2010 and will continue through March 31, 2011. The Unitarian Society of Santa Barbara is serving as fiscal agent for the Warming Centers, and we are actively building an interfaith coalition of Santa Barbara congregations to support the operations of the Warming Centers.

As I am certain you are well aware, the operation of the Warming Centers is focused on addressing the needs of some of Santa Barbara's most vulnerable residents. The funds made available from the County of Santa Barbara will ensure only 27 service nights for the centers, and we do anticipate as many as 50 total service nights this year.

These funds from the City of Santa Barbara will be utilized with funds from the County of Santa Barbara as well as generous private donors in Santa Barbara and a growing coalition of faith communities in Santa Barbara.

I appreciate your consideration of our most urgent request. If you have any questions I encourage you to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy Edmundson".

Nancy Edmundson
Director of Administration
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CC: James Armstrong, Brian Boose