

May 1, 2018

Ms. Jacki Credico, SPHR Staff Services Manager Health & Human Services Agency San Benito County 1160 San Felipe Road Hollister, CA

Re: Request for Donation of Van 18 (Dodge Caravan) for Homeless Shelter

Dear Ms. Credico

Community Homeless Solutions is respectfully requesting the County consider donating its 1999 Dodge Grand Caravan for use by our homeless shelter located in Hollister.

The San Benito H.O.M.E. Resource Center is operated by Community Homeless Solutions to provide shelter and supportive services to homeless women and men. Guests stay in our shelter nightly and are provided a warm dinner, a light breakfast and sack lunch, and access to showers, lockers, and restrooms. The shelter offers case management assistance and links guests to essential services and stable housing opportunities. The shelter has been using our outreach van to pick up and drop off guests but need this van to restore outreach services.

It is our understanding the County is no longer using the 1999 Dodge Grand Caravan that was previously used by the County-operated homeless shelter. If this is the case, the donation of the van to our program would enable Community Homeless Services to resume much-needed outreach services and to provide pickup/drop off services for our shelter guests in San Benito County.

On behalf of the vulnerable women and men we serve, I thank you for the consideration you will give this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 831.384.3388, ext. 116 or at rbonilla@communityhomelesssolutions.org.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director