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November 27, 2023

Attn: Emily Diehl  
City of Olathe  
100 E. Santa Fe Street  
Olathe, KS 66061

Dear Ms. Diehl,

In Johnson County, Kansas, nearly 40% of all renters and nearly 20% of all homeowners are housing cost-burdened— meaning they pay more than 30% of their income on housing. When a family is housing cost-burdened, they're forced to make impossible choices between a safe place to call home and healthcare, healthy food and their child's education.

To better understand the housing challenges many residents face, Johnson County municipalities recently implemented a Community Housing Study. The conclusion? The Johnson County housing inventory must grow to keep pace with demand, especially in the low-to-moderate income market that includes families working in the service sector of the Johnson County economy.

To help meet this demand, Habitat KC has developed the Olathe Pathway Project. This new construction development will include green space featuring community amenities including a playground. Habitat KC will build up 14 affordable homes available to low-income families struggling to live and work in Kansas' most wealthy county. All the homes will be purchased through Habitat KC's affordable homeownership program and mortgages will be less than 30% of the homebuyer's monthly income. Additionally, Habitat KC will provide HUD-certified pre-and-post purchase counseling to ensure that the homebuyers are prepared for homeownership.

To make this meaningful project happen, Habitat KC is requesting \$1 million in HOME funds from the City of Olathe to support the vertical construction of the single-family homes. The total project cost is estimated to be near \$5.5 million – your investment is instrumental to our success.

Habitat KC knows that this project is not only building homes, but it will also build a stronger community. We will intentionally engage residents, community leaders, faith groups and many others to join Habitat KC in providing the affordable housing Johnson County needs.

We appreciate your support and commitment to building a Kansas City community where every single person has a safe, decent and affordable place to call home.

Gratefully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lindsay Hicks".

Lindsay Hicks  
President and CEO  
Habitat for Humanity of Kansas City

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<b>Sources/Uses Summary</b>	
Building Project	<i>Olathe Pathways</i>
Address:	159th and Black Bob
City/St/Zip	Olathe, KS
Primary Point of Contact:	Lindsay Hicks
Phone:	913-475-9466
Email:	Lhicks@habitatkc.org
<b>Sources</b>	
Public Grants	
ARPA	\$950,000.00
HOME Funds	\$1,000,000.00
Private Sources	
Fundraised dollars	\$2,500,000.00
Program Dollars (ReStore Revenue)	\$994,248.00
<b>Total Sources</b>	<b>\$5,444,248.00</b>
<b>USES</b>	
Land Development	\$961,848.00
House Construction (14 homes)	\$3,500,000.00
Contingency	\$247,400.00
Legal/Consulting	\$200,000.00
Finance	\$100,000.00
Marketing	\$200,000.00
Overhead	\$200,000.00
Soft Contingency (5%)	\$35,000.00
<b>Total Uses</b>	<b>\$5,444,248.00</b>

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