

# Letter Template Requesting VIPs and Partners Endorsements



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I hope this message finds you well. My name is Dionne Dantzler, and I am reaching out on behalf of The H.O.M.E. Teen Youth Center and a growing coalition of community partners, city officials, educators, and advocates who are committed to revitalizing Southwest Little Rock.

Recently, a resolution was introduced to sell the former Cloverdale Middle School property (formerly Marion G. Lacey K-8) to a charter school. While we are not opposed to quality education, we believe our community needs something deeper right now—something rooted in healing, transformation, and long-term investment in our youth and families.

We are proposing a visionary alternative—a Social Hospital for the Soul—a multi-partner campus led by the community, for the community. It will be a place of restoration, development, safety, and culture. We are calling this campaign "Restore the Rock."

We are asking for your endorsement—a letter of support or a statement that affirms your belief in our mission to reimagine this property as a center of cultural, emotional, and educational restoration for our most vulnerable youth and families. Your endorsement would mean the world and send a strong message to decision-makers at the city, district, and state level.

We would be honored to speak with you further or provide any supporting materials you may need. Thank you for your time, your heart for community, and your consideration in helping us restore what our children deserve.

With hope and urgency,

Dionne D. Dantzler

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The H.O.M.E. Teen Youth Center

Attachments: Manifesto, Official Links, Example Letter, Budget Overview (Available Upon Request)



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## Restore The Rock Manifesto

### **\*\*Manifesto for Restore The Rock: A Cry for Community Healing\*\***

**We, the people of Southwest Little Rock, cry out—not in anger, but in urgent love for our children, our future, and our right to reclaim what has been stripped away, neglected, and sold off piece by piece.**

**The former Marion G. Lacey / Cloverdale Middle School building is not just a structure on Hinkson Road. It is soil soaked with decades of history, trauma, triumph, and untapped potential. Today, we fight not simply against its sale to yet another under-supported charter initiative—but for a higher vision: a *\*Social Hospital\** for our people. A place for healing, growth, and cultural recovery.**

**Our children are dying—spiritually, emotionally, and literally. We see them slipping into foster care, incarceration, addiction, depression, and violence. This is not because they lack worth. It's because we have systematically failed to show them they are worth fighting for. They need more than test scores and school walls—they need community, purpose, and daily reminders that they are loved, guided, and protected.**

**The Home Teen Youth Center, alongside community leaders, former teachers, and proud alumni of Cloverdale, now rise to reclaim this sacred space. We propose a vision rooted in healing and hope: a collaborative cultural hub dedicated to youth development, wellness, economic empowerment, and restorative justice—a true Social Hospital.**

**We do not yet have the \$1.9 million to purchase this building. We do not yet have the funds to renovate. But we have something stronger—\*\*unity\*\*, \*\*vision\*\*, and \*\*a call too loud to ignore\*\*. With support from citizens, city officials, partners, and believers in justice—we will build it.**

**Let this be our collective cry to *\*\*Restore The Rock\*\**. This is not just about a building. This is about a movement to give our community back its voice, its children, and its hope.**

**We ask you: Stand with us. Endorse this mission. Share your resources. Add your voice. And together, let's turn this cry into a chorus of restoration.**

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## **OFFICIAL LINKS**

**RESTORE THE ROCK ONLINE  
PETITION**

**RESTORE THE ROCK OFFICIAL  
INFORMATIONAL WEBPAGE**

**RESTORE THE ROCK GOFUNDME  
ONLINE DONATION PAGE**



**A COMMUNITY INITIATIVE PRESENTED BY THE HOME TEEN YOUTH CENTER**

## ENDORSEMENT EXAMPLE



**LOGO OR  
ORGANIZATION/  
BUSINESS  
LETTERHEAD IF  
APPLICABLE**

**LETTER BODY**

**CONFIRM SUPPORT  
AND/OR COMMIT  
SERVICES, IN-KIND  
DONATIONS, GOODS,  
AND/OR PRODUCTS**

To whom it may concern, I've had the awesome privilege of knowing and working with Ms. Dionne Dantzler for well over 15 years. In times like these we need organizational movements and a growing coalition like H.O.M.E.

This letter of support is a confirmation of partnership that affirms that I believe and stand with their vision for the community. Our youth are in need of an educational restoration that meets the needs of our families.

H.O.M.E. is proposing a visionary alternative that will change the community. A Social Hospital for the Soul. With the support of our community leaders, we can make this happen. So, I'm challenging the citizens of our community to step up and make this happen.

I look forward to hearing from you soon and remain hopeful through this process.

Sincerely,

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