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Supervisor Richard Elias,

On behalf of Tucson High M.E.Ch.A.'s Unity Festival Committee, we would like to request a contribution for this year's Unity Festival on our campus. We are currently asking for donations for our event that is entire youth driven. It is our belief that this event is evidence of how we can work together to continue to demonstrate the positive impact Mexican American Studies has and will have on our lives and the rest of our community.

Tucson High M.E.Ch.A., a non-profit organization, is sponsoring the 6th annual Unity Festival on Saturday, April 6, 2013 to celebrate youth through hip hop, art, and cultural activities. We encourage youth to express themselves through performance in a positive, creative, and critically conscious manner. This event will be an evening full of music, art, food, and presentations. It will end with a culmination of cultural music starring a collective of conscious artists from our community, music, and art scene. We have asked for financial support and resources that can help us such as food donations (vegetables, fruit, tortillas, meat, etc.), hotel and travel accommodations for our artists, art supplies, gift cards, etc. from several different community sources. We are specifically in need of funds to pay for the cost of necessary Tucson High custodial and engineering staff to be present during the day of the event. These wages take over \$1000 from our budget, but we and our Unity Festival Advisory Board want to be true to the integrity and dream of Consuelo Aguilar alive in keeping the event on this campus, which means adhering to some site mandates.

As mentioned, we believe that it is important to publicly applaud the efforts and accomplishments we have had as a collective of students and a movement. This is a unique celebration our school is hosting to celebrate youth in our community. We can make it a huge success with your help. We are especially grateful that you have taken the time to read this letter and hope that your contribution will work towards making this event a reality. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact:

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Respectfully yours,
Tucson High Magnet School
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