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Dear Community Member,

Ocean Charter School has served young people in Del Rey and the wider Los Angeles community for over 15 years, and we ask for your generous support as we embark upon our next exciting phase: the construction of a new campus in the heart of Del Rey.

OCS provides a public education inspired by Waldorf principles, a developmental framework normally reserved for private school settings. This educational philosophy is particularly necessary today. Our curriculum enhances the growth of curiosity and imagination in our students through an arts integrated approach, promoting academic excellence through experiential learning. To date, we have served over 1,025 families, and currently serve 524 students in grades TK-8th.

For the past fifteen years, however, our school has bounced between several locations including a privately leased church and various shared school campuses. We are therefore excited to announce that we have secured a parcel of land and initiated construction on a state-of-the-art, permanent TK-8 campus set to open in Fall 2020. We are reaching out to our community because the public funding that has been secured, in the form of loans and grants from the state of California and LAUSD, does not fully cover this extensive project. Additionally, the funds we receive from the district do not cover all of our unique programs. Each year, we must raise over $450,000 to provide our students with assistant teachers, specialists, music and wood working programs, and many other services.

You can help us bridge these gaps by supporting our Banner Sponsorship Program. This unique annual fundraiser will give your business the opportunity to sponsor student artwork. The artwork will be displayed with your logo on Culver Blvd., Braddock Dr, and/or Panama St., providing excellent exposure as you show your support for exceptional public education. Please reference the included documents for examples of student work and the sponsorship levels.

Ocean Charter School believes that teaching the arts nurtures the whole child, promoting the development of healthy, responsible and creative human beings. We hope you will join us in nourishing and empowering our community’s young people!

Sincerely,

Ocean Charter School