WANTED: SUGGESTIONS FOR CARRBORO COMMUNITY NEEDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-09 BEGINNING JULY 1

The budget process for reviewing community needs is underway. A public hearing to receive feedback from residents will be held on January 22, 2008. The Town Manager plans to submit a recommended budget to the Board of Aldermen on May 6, 2008. A public hearing to receive comments on the recommended budget will also be held on May 27, 2008.

The Board of Aldermen and the Town Manager welcome feedback from Town residents throughout the budget process. The final budget is planned for adoption on June 17, 2008. Carrboro residents may email written suggestions to the Town Clerk on the Town's website at swilliamson@townofcarrboro.org

Residents may write or fax in suggestions. You may write to the Town Clerk at 301 West Main Street, Carrboro, N.C. 27510 or fax comments to her at 918-4456.

161, Swansea Lane Chapel Hill, N.C. 27516

To the Mayor and Town of Carrboro Aldermen

January 17, 2008

Dear Mayor Chilton and Colleagues,

On behalf of the Community Dinner Committee I am asking you to support the Twelfth Annual Community Dinner to be held in March 2009. The event, sponsored by the Cultural Arts Group, The Carrboro Branch Library, The Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce, The Hillsborough Chamber of Commerce, The Preservation Society of Chapel Hill, Orange County Department of Human Rights and Relations and the Town of Chapel Hill is also supported by a large number of religious establishments, local community organizations and businesses and is testimony of the multicultural goodwill of a large segment of our very diverse community. At the 2007 Dinner held on March 4, at the Mc Dougle Schools, over six hundred people of all ages and many cultural origins sat down together and enjoyed entertainment provided by several cultural groups. This year's dinner to be held on March 2 (and which you have generously supported with a donation of \$500) promises to be equally successful.

Each year we try to reach out to still other ethnic and socio economic components of our community. The financial and material support that we have been able to obtain for this event have made it possible to include many people who would otherwise be unable to attend for financial reasons by absorbing the cost of their tickets. This has resulted in the representation of more economic as well as cultural diversity among participants in the dinner, and its major success as a community building activity. We would be pleased if you support us as you did for this year's dinner with a donation of \$500. I hope that will consider our request favorably and ask that all communications be routed through me, Nerys Levy. Our fiscal agent is the Orange County Department of Human Rights and Relations, and we ask that all checks be made out to the Orange County Department of Human Rights and Relations/Community Dinner.

Thank you for your anticipated support,

Yours sincerely,

Chaiperson, Community Dinner Committee

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