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Dear Prospective Employer:

## "A true charity is not giving bread and money, but providing employment." –Ilkin Santak

In other words, Work, Works! At Harmony Hall we assist those with a history of mental illness in regaining their independence, building their confidence, and improving their quality of life. One of the ways we do this is through developing partnerships with local business to give members opportunities to regain employment. Members of Harmony Hall participate in a work-ordered structure day, in which the membership works side-by-side to complete all essential functions of the Clubhouse. The hours of operation and unit needs are designed to mimic that of a typical work environment. Through their activity and dedication to Clubhouse needs members are selected to participate in the Clubhouse's Transitional Employment Placement Program (TEP).

Our Transitional Employment Placement program is the jewel of our Clubhouse. Through this program the Clubhouse is able to give its members a supportive means to gain work experiences to propel them into permanent placements in the community. TEPs are unique to Clubhouse, and cannot be found in any other vocational rehabilitation program. The Clubhouse maintains a symbiotic relationship with the employer, in which we provide quality employees, job training, and 100% coverage guarantee and the employer provides opportunity. These positions are part-time (12-20 hrs. a week) and time limited (6-9 months). Following the completion of the 6-9 month cycle another Clubhouse member will be trained (by the Clubhouse) and then maintain the position for 6-9 months.

Employment is often an over looked step in a person's recovery. It provides individual's living with a mental illness a sense or purpose, belonging, and a wealth of other positive attributes. The effectiveness of employment on a person's recovery is truly amazing.

If you are interested in developing a partnership with Harmony Hall or have any questions regarding our employment programs please contact Brian Schmitt, the Clubhouse director at 810.667.0251. Thank you for your interest in our program.

Sincerely,

Harmony Hall Membership