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The Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) is writing this letter in support of Victims of Illicit Drugs (VOID) and Fentanyl Fathers, for a grant application to expand their fentanyl awareness education. DBH has successfully partnered with VOID in the launch of a county-wide fentanyl awareness campaign. VOID has proven to be a dedicated and impactful partner as we worked together to develop the "Fentanyl Doesn't Care. But We Do." campaign.

The expansion of VOID's fentanyl awareness education program is crucial in addressing the growing public health crisis caused by fentanyl. By providing accurate and up-to-date information about the dangers of fentanyl use, VOID can help individuals make informed decisions about drug use and reduce the risk of overdose. Education efforts should focus on raising awareness among vulnerable populations, such as individuals struggling with substance use disorders, healthcare providers, law enforcement personnel, and community members.

The funding, if received, will be used for the enhancement of VOID and Fentanyl Father's education and advocacy and naloxone distribution efforts in the Southern California region, with San Bernardino County as one of the specific areas.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any further information or clarification. We are committed to supporting VOID and look forward to the opportunity to support the success of overall fentanyl awareness.

Sincerely,

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