September 17, 2018

Ms. Jennifer Brackney  
Interim Executive Director  
WorkNet Pinellas d.b.a. CareerSource Pinellas  
13805 58th Street North, Suite 2-140  
Clearwater, FL 33760

Dear Ms. Brackney,

The St. Petersburg Housing Authority (SPHA) is pleased to support the continued efforts of CareerSource Pinellas on its YouthBuild Grant. SPHA’s mission statement is to provide a variety of safe, sanitary, accessible, decent and affordable housing to eligible citizens of the city of St. Petersburg, while enhancing and promoting resident self-sufficiency. YouthBuild’s goal of enabling disadvantaged youth to obtain education and employment skills necessary to achieve economic self-sufficiency, while improving their academic skills and helping serve the community is an excellent fit with our mission.

SPHA is committed to working with CareerSource Pinellas by referring residents and connecting qualified participants to employment through the Section 3 Program, established by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Section 3 helps connect qualified, low-income residents with employment opportunities. SPHA will also provide YouthBuild’s participants with approximately 260 hours of work via participation at our work sites for an estimated in-kind value of $150,000.

SPHA was a worksite partner during the 2016 Tampa Bay YouthBuild grant cycle and we look forward to our continued participation through CareerSource. As a low-income/affordable housing provider, SPHA’s worksites would meet the restrictive covenant clause of the YouthBuild program. We thank you for including SPHA in your partnership to better serve at-risk youth in our community.

Sincerely,

Robin Adams
Asset Management Officer
St. Petersburg Housing Authority
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