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To Our City Commission,

We are asking your support in efforts to offer kids a high-quality summer education program in East Gainesville, FL. We have all seen the disparity study conducted by the University of Florida. After reviewing the study we are all left just wanting to do more. Through the partnership of the Caring and Sharing Learning School and the Gainesville Housing Authority, STEM Camp serves about 150 students. STEM Camp is offered to students from kindergarten to 12th grade in Alachua County. Elementary school students (K-5) will receive direct instruction in reading and math, Middle school students (6-8) will participate in STEM training (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math), and High school students (9-12) will participate in STEM as well as college preparation courses. These are documented areas that are constantly needed for student success in academia or vocational education.

In an effort to sponsor 20 deserving students to attend the 8 week Academic Summer Camp at \$800.00 per student (\$100 a week), we have planned an Interactive Youth Fundraising Event entitled Teach Me to Dance, scheduled Friday June 10, 2002 and Saturday June 11, 2022.

We are asking for your continued support. We are requesting the use of the Alachua County Senior Recreation Center for the Friday night event as an IN-KIND donation from the City once again. Your support for the past 3 years has been greatly appreciated.

Please contact me for more information at (904)537-7763 or blssdfuture21@gmail.com Sincerely,

Wanda Lloyd, 3rd grade Teacher at Talbot Elementary

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