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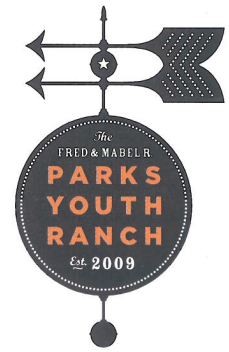
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April 6, 2010

Judge Robert Hebert
Fort Bend County
301 Jackson Street, Ste. 719
Richmond, TX 77469

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Dear Judge Hebert,

On January 22 the bulldozers arrived at 11614 FM 361 in Fairchilds, TX and construction of the Fred and Mabel R. Parks Youth Ranch, a temporary shelter and counseling center for homeless and at-risk youth in Fort Bend County, was underway. It will provide services to young people between 13 and 17 years of age. In October 2008, the Fred & Mabel R. Parks Foundation awarded Parks Youth Ranch, Inc. a \$500,000 capital campaign challenge grant. The George Foundation approved a \$300,000 capital grant towards the match and as result in January 2009 the 8-acre site in Fairchilds, TX was purchased.


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The youth ranch and counseling center will allow community agencies to refer homeless and at-risk youth for counseling and/or shelter services. Youth will be able to stay at the shelter for up to 90 days. Services will focus on creating a stable living environment, continuing education and connecting to community based social services that will enable them to become healthy productive adults.

In just over two months we have made significant progress. We expect to adhere to our timetable and have the buildings completed mid summer. In an effort to reduce our construction and furnishings costs we have been vigorously pursuing donations of materials and labor. Clark Condon Associates generously developed a landscape plan for us. The plan included among other things planting trees along our perimeter to provide privacy, shade and be aesthetically pleasing. The Board of Directors is requesting 400 Live Oak trees from the County to be used for this purpose. I have included a copy of our landscape plan and I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

I hope you and the County Commissioners will favorably consider our request and help us provide an environment at the ranch that is welcoming, safe and nurturing.

Best Regards,



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