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Subject: Support for JobPath

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Dear County Supervisors,
I am writing to request your support to increase Pima County's investment in JobPath.

I have been JobPath's Director of Development since June 2019. Every single day I hear first-hand accounts the impact JobPath has on the students we serve. Extra help with tuition, books, and test fees is essential, but it's the ability JobPath has to help with gas and transportation costs, emergency expenses, rent or mortgage, that make a profound difference. It's the daily and emergent expenses that can cause a student to drop out. And it's way 90% of JobPath participants finish their programs of study.

With so many of our neighbors displaced from the workforce during the past year (especially women), our community must put time, money, and effort into creating sustainable career paths.

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Dear County Supervisors,

I am a resident of District 2, and I'm writing to request your support in increasing Pima County's investment in JobPath.

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But it's not even just the financial assistance. JobPath's Career Counselors do an incredible job in helping students navigate the system and balance work, life, and school. For non-traditional and first-generation college students, this guidance is invaluable.

Economists predict that it will take years to recover from the economic fallout caused by COVID-19. I wholeheartedly believe that the work JobPath does to support adults through short-term degree and certificate programs is *the* path to economic recovery for Pima County. With so many of our neighbors displaced from the workforce during the past year (especially women), our community must put time, money, and effort into creating avenues to sustainable careers with livable wages.

Thank you so much for your current support of JobPath. Together, we can create economic opportunity for so many more of our neighbors. Opportunity that will continue for generations.

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