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Pima County Clerk of the Board,

Attached please find a letter of support for JobPath from El Rio Health.

Our administration office is located in Pima County District 5, with 12 sites throughout Pima County districts.

Thank you.

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May 3, 2021

The Honorable Chair and Members
Pima County Board of Supervisors
130 West Congress Street, 11th Fl.
Tucson, AZ 85701

Re: Letter of Support – JobPath

El Rio Health is very supportive of JobPath's increased of funding proposal for their crucial partnership with colleges, job training centers, and employers like us to support student's career/workforce goals.

As the recent economic shift has caused challenges for all, we need more than ever to become more vigilant promoting and assisting future workforce and tooling them with skills to be successful. As a community healthcare employer, we are seeing a dire need of entry-level to skilled medical workforce lacking in our community and that, barriers to address those roadblocks for those who wanted a career of their own in the field must continue to be addressed. JobPath has created pathways for clearing those barriers for those in need and has proven success with many graduates they have assisted through the years. We believe by continued partnership with an organization such as JobPath, we will be able to not only assist in training future healthcare workers but also provide gainful employment for those who wishes to pursue serving the community.

Our hope is that JobPath's proposal for increased funding will fill much needed gap in our community by helping those unemployed Tucsonans gain valuable skills that will not only help them find meaningful jobs but also enhance their qualifications and allow them to consider alternative career paths.

For these reasons, El Rio Health believes this increase funding is not only necessary but "a must" to continue all our efforts to turn our economy and have a sustainable impact all around.

Sincerely,



Nancy J. Johnson, RN, PhD
CEO, El Rio Health

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