

September 25, 2013

The Members of the Hayward City Council
David Korth, MSW
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Neighborhood Service
777 B Street, Hayward 94541-5007

Dear Esteemed Council Members,

The Alameda County Human Relations Commission (HRC) recently learned of the proposal before the Hayward City Council to begin regulation of organizations and individuals in the City of Hayward that provide emergency food assistance to vulnerable community members. The mission of the Alameda County HRC is to “preserve human rights and work to foster mutual respect for all people who live or work in Alameda County”. In alignment with our mission, the HRC wants to ensure that any action considered by the Hayward City Council offers the least restrictive access to basic needs and uplifts the dignity of all community members. The HRC respectfully requests your heartfelt consideration of the people who will be affected by your decision around permitting and regulation of emergency food access.

Sincerely,

Tuere Anderson, LCSW
Commissioner, Acting Chair
Alameda County Human Relations Commission