



September 21, 1995

Hon. John Kitzhaber
Governor
State of Oregon
254 State Capital
Salem, Oregon 97310

Re: Community Action Organization of Washington County

Dear John:

On October 20 at 5:30 p.m. Community Action Organization of Washington County will celebrate the opening of its new building in Hillsboro. This multi-purpose center allows this private nonprofit agency to consolidate many of its services in one location and culminates a fund drive which raised the necessary several million dollars for this structure.

Community Action runs the very successful Headstart program throughout Washington County, as well as being the county's primary provider of services to the homeless and others who are in need of a hand up, rather than a handout.

This organization is a sterling example of how the private nonprofit sector of our society can attend responsibly and effectively with public needs - doing what the government would have to do if not done privately.

Community Action would be honored if you could say a few words - or many if you wish - at this program. In addition to yourself, Senator Hatfield and Congresswoman Furse have been invited.

Sincerely,

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cc: Jerralynn Ness, Executive Director

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