



January 29, 2013

Councilman Alarcón,

As you know, United Way of Greater Los Angeles stands in strong opposition to the Community Care Facilities Ordinance (Council File 11-0262). This Ordinance would impact housing affordability in the City of Los Angeles and put thousands of people at risk of homelessness. The Ordinance is also in violation of Fair Housing and Disability Rights Laws and puts Los Angeles at risk of losing millions in federal funds to help alleviate poverty and homelessness in our region.

The revised version of the Community Care Facilities Ordinance released in early January 2013 does not resolve these issues. An alternative to the proposed ordinance in its current form is the only direction to protect human and civil rights and funding for all in Los Angeles.

We believe that your proposed Enhanced Nuisance Abatement Program is the ideal alternative. We are committed to partnering with the City to secure private funding for the pilot phase of this alternative, as we believe that this offers the City the legal and effective approach to address nuisances in local communities and strengthen our City for all our residents.

We look forward to working with you to successfully launch this program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Elise Buik".

Elise Buik  
President & CEO  
United Way of Greater Los Angeles

Cc: Council President Herb Wesson  
Sharon Gin, City Clerk