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Chesterfield Parks and Recreation C/O Thomas McCarthy 690 Chesterfield Parkway West Chesterfield, MO 63017

Dear Thomas:

## Thank you for your generous in-kind donation to the International Institute!

On behalf of our clients and our dedicated staff, I'm so grateful for your gift of 20 boxes of craft supplies.

Many of our clients are refugees who have struggled to survive after they fled situations that caused them to fear for their lives, with little or none of their personal belongings.

Mani and Aaiti were welcomed to St. Louis in 2014 with their three children as Bhutanese refugees. This family was driven out of their home in Bhutan to live within the confines of a refugee camp in Eastern Nepal for many years.

Arriving in America with very little, Mani and Aaiti received basic household items from the International Institute, which allowed them to prepare meals for their family and to make their apartment a clean new home from the very beginning. Because of your support, families like Mani and Aaiti's can get the basic items they need to begin a new life in the St. Louis community.

I hope you'll stay connected to our mission and the work we do in the St. Louis community. I invite you to follow us on Facebook and Twitter. If you've provided an email address, you will receive updates from us to keep you abreast of Institute news. Feel free to opt out if you prefer.

Your support of immigrants and refugees, especially newcomers, is essential as we continue to serve as St. Louis' Welcoming Center for New Americans.

Singerely.

President & CEO

PS: The Internal Revenue Service requires the International Institute to inform you that the agency has not provided you with any goods or services in exchange for your donation. The full amount of your gift is tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. The Institute is not responsible for the accuracy of the value assigned to donated items. Please retain this receipt for your tax records.

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