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Dear Peggy:

I can't thank you enough for your patience and generosity in working with Delta College over these past several years. At our school, we plan a variety of diversity and inclusion events throughout the year. I am a member of the LGBTQ Awareness Month Committee, and like other activity committees, we have found it challenging with campus scheduling to plan events that get good attendance. Over the years, we learned that exhibits such as those from the Family Diversity Project are the best kind of event to host because they allow the broadest reach and the greatest accessibility for our community.

We have enjoyed hosting Love Makes a Family, We Have Faith, and Pioneering Voices. Our college Librarians have been wonderful at providing space for the exhibits. Our library houses classrooms, a tutoring center, a writing center, and computer labs, so we know this is the most trafficked area on our campus where these exhibits receive the greatest exposure.

Because the images are so striking, people regularly stop to view them. The narratives that accompany each image are also accessible for different levels of readers and are brief enough to allow students and faculty who are between classes to stop and get a quick bit with each pass by the exhibit. Every year, campus members have been excited about the upcoming exhibit – even asking in advance if we'd have another one that year! And every year, we receive overwhelmingly positive feedback from those who have viewed the exhibits. How they are “refreshing” and “eye opening” and “perspective changing.”

Each year, we also host an opening reception with a speaker and some refreshments. This helps to draw attention to the exhibit and invites the community into the conversation of what these exhibits explore. As one speaker noted this year for Pioneering Voices: “Just stopping to view the exhibit, to read the narratives, is activism. Let people see you standing and taking it in. Show your acceptance by just this small act of participation. That can be enough to create even greater change in our world.”

I can't thank you enough for all your help and support. The exhibits come to us in such great shape, well packaged and easily set up. Your patience in working with our college internal administration has been greatly appreciated. And each time, at the end of the exhibit, we have received clear instruction on how to send it to its next destination. It has always been a super easy, super smooth process with your help.

Thank you again for all you do. We look forward to hosting more exhibits at our college, and I have and will continue to highly recommend your organization to my colleagues. Keep up the GREAT work!

Sincerely,

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