National Church Residences
CENTER FOR SENIOR HEALTH

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Community Connectors Grant Committee,

National Church Residences Center for Senior Health is very eager to support All THAT in its proposal to provide after school mentoring for teens in our community. Our adult day services program provides the elderly with the opportunity for socialization and participation in mentally and physically stimulating activities in an environment that is filled with respect, dignity and independence. We welcome the opportunity to have an increased number of students from All THAT continue to participate in an inter-generational program with seniors at our facility this fall.

Students from All THAT offer assistance to our clients in activities such as arts and crafts, adapted sports, discussion groups, outings, games, music, yoga and daily exercise programs. Youth are also mentored by their senior counterparts who draw on their work and life experiences. Our clients have stories to tell and lessons to share and the weekly interaction with students allows them to develop problem solving and decision making skills while allowing the seniors to participate in stimulating activities and maintain a sense of purpose.

We believe that the quality of life for both parties will be improved as the young and the elderly continue to learn from one another. We also believe that this community service opportunity will assist All THAT youth in identifying positive character traits that are needed for success.

National Church Residences is pleased to continue a relationship that is beneficial to both All THAT students, the seniors who attend our program and the Columbus community as a whole.

Sincerely,

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