SUBJECT: Agape House Grant Application	
Background: The Board has been requested to provide a letter of support for funding application for Eastern Oregon Mission for construction of additional buildings for use for the Apage House. The letter is before the Board for review and approval.	Requested Action: Approve letter of support for Agape House and authorize the chair to sign
ATTACHMENTS: Proposed Letter ********For Internal Use Only************************************	
Checkoffs: () Dept. Heard (copy) () Human Resources (copy) () Fiscal (X) Legal (copy)	To be notified of Meeting: Needed at Meeting:
() (Other - List:) ***********************************	
Action taken: ***********************************	

AGENDA ITEM FOR ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING

FROM (DEPT/ DIVISION): County Counsel

() Discussion only (X) Action

Board of Commissioners



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April 24, 2024

Re: Eastern Oregon Mission Application

To Whom It May Concern:

Umatilla County Board of Commissioners strongly supports the application of Eastern Oregon Mission, and its Agape House program, to receive funding to construct an additional storage building and garage on its property in Hermiston, Oregon.

Space in the current Eastern Oregon Mission building is limited for storage for the items provided to the communities. With the increased requests for services, additional storage space is crucial. Currently the agency is servicing over 900 families and over 3,000 people each month, along with 275 homeless individuals. The back pack program serves 250 elementary students each week during the school year. The expansion will help provide the much needed services to the citizens of Umatilla County.

Please consider providing the necessary funding for this important project in our community. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

John M. Shafer Chair, Board of Commissioners