

## Stacy Clauson

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Hi Stacy!

This is Tyler Michel, Campus Pastor of CTK Blaine and a Board Member with the Community Assistance Program. I am submitting a letter with others from the local church community in support of the Community Assistance Program's full use of their new location at 508 G Street. This letter also helps clarify CAP's relationship to the local church community.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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To Stacy Clauson and City of Blaine,

**I am writing you to express my support for the Community Assistance Program and full use of their new location at 508 G Street.** I am also writing you on behalf of Blaine area churches, to clarify the nature of CAP's relationship with local churches and the importance of their partnership.

I serve as the Campus Pastor at CTK Blaine, as well as being a Board Member At-Large with the Community Assistance Program. My main role within CAP is to serve as a liaison between CAP and the local church.

I will also be sharing words from other Blaine-area pastors in support of CAP.

CAP is a unique and vital organization in our community. As you may know, it's origins and foundations are in the local church. For many years, the Community Assistance Program has served as a center point for community service, helping the church in loving their community. The Community Assistance Program the collective work of many churches in our community. We believe we can better serve our community together rather than apart, and we see CAP as an extension of the church's call to help meet the basic needs of individuals in our community.

CAP provides a neutral place for local churches to serve their community. Our community isn't big, so we know we'll be stronger if we focus our time and resources in one direction.

With the addition of the new building, CAP will function in many ways like a church. We will be using the Chapel in the facility as a place for corporate prayer services on a regular basis. It will be a central point that will promote sharing and togetherness within the local church community.

**Here are some thoughts from other pastors in our community:**

*It is a privilege for Birch Bay Bible Community Church to be in ministry partnership with CAP over these past decades. It is such a joy to serve our communities of Birch Bay and Blaine together. They are such a valuable resource in helping meet the needs of people in our community.*

*It is difficult for every church to have every resource necessary to meet growing needs. To know we can pool our resources together gives us a greater capacity for effectiveness. It is nice to*

*know I don't have to invent the wheel again on how to serve, taking up valuable resources and energy and space in our churches for it all. I can pour my resources into CAP creating greater return for what we contribute.*

*We trust them to use what resources they have been given to make a difference, and it is evident. People in our church have been helped in greater ways because of the shared vision of helping all people in need. Together we can help in greater ways than we can alone."*

- *Pastor Tim Theissen, Birch Bay Bible Community Church*

*"The Community Assistance Program has been a true extension of our care in the community as a church. For over a solid decade CTK North Bay has partnered with CAP not only in financial contribution but in volunteers because it has been one most effective agencies in meeting true practical needs in our Blaine/Birch Bay area. I believe CAP's new location in the heart of Blaine is such a gift and will be vital base of operation to be even more effective touching the many lives that are in desperate need of help now and for our future together."*

- *Pastor Dan McEvoy, CTK North Bay*

*"We as pastors and church leaders in the community look forward to being able to use this building. It comes out of a ministry that we have partnered to create together in order to host more "traditional" church services, such as community prayer nights and worship services. We are excited about this opportunity to show unity among different congregations at a time when so much of our culture, country, and community is divided. The plan of the use of the facility for these kinds of activities supports the idea that the Community Assistance Program is a "like-kind" to church buildings."*

- *Pastor Justin Long, Blaine Christian Fellowship*

We hope this perspective helps you as you make zoning decisions regarding CAP's new facility. CAP is a respected and effective extension of the local church community that has been an anchor of support for many local families. Our hope is that this new facility expands the reach and support CAP is able to offer those in need in Blaine and beyond.

Warm Regards,  
Tyler Michel, CTK Blaine Campus Pastor