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Subject: School Feedback and Opinions on the SNAP Program

To: [ron@snapwestisland.org](mailto:ron@snapwestisland.org) <[ron@snapwestisland.org](mailto:ron@snapwestisland.org)>

Dear Ron,

Both Lucy Glave (principal of Kingsdale) and myself are very saddened to hear that the SNAP Organization is having serious financial difficulties.

AS A SCHOOL:

We have had families at our schools struggling with emotional and behavioral issues. After giving these students and families what we could give them as a school, a referral to SNAP has been a life-saver for these families. Once accepted, the families attend this program, as a whole and they work together with qualified personnel. These families are given strategies as parents and as children, separately. They leave these sessions feeling empowered with tools that they feel they can use at school and at home.

The parents and children themselves, have shared with us how much they have learned and appreciated their work with the SNAP Program.

I am also aware that if there is not currently an appropriate spot for them in an existing group, a councilor will meet with this family and give them support individually.

I am also aware that if the family is still struggling after the program ends, they will continue to get support on an individual level.

These extra efforts show the compassion and dedication that make SNAP the organization it is. An organization that is needed.

Sincerely,

Sandra Baldoni

"I can't tell you that I have all the answers...but I can tell you that you are not alone."

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#### **INDIVIDUAL COMMENTS:**

Sandra Baldoni -FSSTT tech at Thorndale and currently Kingsdale Academy :

"I am very appreciative of being able to recommend an excellent support to families that are confused and hurting. SNAP gives some advice along with directives.

Lucy Glave - Principal of St. Lawrence Jr. and Kingsdale Academy :

"I am very thankful to the support you have given to numerous families in my school communities."