

Honorable Mayor Lara and Distinguished Members of the Beaumont City Council,

My name is Alicia Valdivia. I am a resident of our wonderful city and the Fundraising Committee Chair for the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 322. As many of you know the future of our community is shaped by those that volunteer and participate in leading our youth in a purposeful direction. The members of Troop 322 include young men that have a desire and passion to support the Community of Beaumont while learning ethically valued life lessons. In the past Troop, 322 has participated in the Veterans Day Parade, Annual Christmas Parade, Cherry Festival, the City Clean-up Day, and Community Food Drives. We have also participated in honor guard/flag ceremonies at the Civic Center.

As you know participation is one key role in the development of our youth. We the members of the Troop 322 leadership often try to develop ways for the boys to earn money to aid with their activities. We have traditionally utilized donated locations from various civic groups within our community. Lately, this has become a challenge, space is limited and these locations are booked.

On behalf of Troop 322 leadership, we are requesting the use of the Chatigny Center for our annual Troop 322 Taco dinner fundraiser. This annual event raises much-needed funding for the troop and is our first fundraiser since the start of COVID. We rely solely on fundraisers to support our troop and help the boys with activities such as camping, rank advancements, achievement awards, leadership training, and summer camp. We are graciously asking for the Beaumont City council for the use of the Chatigny Center and to waive the fees associated with the use. You can be assured that we will be respectful of the property, neat, and clean, and adhering to one of the core mottos "Leave no trace." Meaning we will leave the Chatigny Center just as we found it.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

Alicia Valdivia