

## SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMISSION

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**RE**: Community Economic Development (CED) Program

To Whom It May Concern:

The San Juan County Commission writes to endorse the grant proposal to create a business incubator in the former JC Penney building in Price. For our remote and rural communities in San Juan County, access to centralized resources is fundamental to economic development and opportunity.

Entrepreneurs in San Juan County face significant barriers due to geographic isolation. This facility will provide a tangible, accessible destination for them to receive crucial mentorship, training, and support. It represents a vital piece of infrastructure for building small businesses, which are the lifeblood of our local economy.

By funding this project, you are investing in a resource that will directly serve the most rural corners of our state. We believe this is an efficient and impactful way to support entrepreneurship and enhance community well-being for all of Southeastern Utah and urge you to fund the request.

Sincerely,

Silvia Stubbs San Juan County Commission Chair