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It is a privilege to recognize the valuable partnership United Community Corporation (UCC) shares with RWJBarnabas Health (RWJBH), a collaboration that continues to uplift Newark families and expand access to essential resources across our community for the renewal of State-appropriated funds in the FY 2027 New Jersey State Budget.

UCC is a longstanding anti-poverty agency serving Newark and Essex County, dedicated to providing food security, youth programming, emergency services, and community resources to thousands of families each year. The support RWJBH receives through State-appropriated funds allows our partnership to directly strengthen community-based initiatives that advance health, expand access to essential resources, and uplift the most vulnerable residents of the communities we jointly serve.

Our mission at UCC aligns deeply with RWJBH's commitment to improving community health and addressing the social determinants that shape well-being. RWJBH has been an invaluable partner in our fight against food insecurity, helping us distribute groceries at our monthly food distributions and community outreach events, ensuring families have access to fresh, nutritious food. Their team has consistently tabled at our events, providing residents with critical health information, preventive care resources, and connections to services that support long-term wellness. These contributions significantly enhance the impact of our programming, enabling us to reach more households and deliver holistic support that addresses both immediate and systemic needs.

We are grateful for the history of collaboration we have built with RWJBH over the years. Their ability to mobilize resources, deliver trusted health information, and deepen outreach efforts continues to strengthen our capacity to serve Newark families. The renewal of State-appropriated funds is critical: without this investment, RWJBH's ability to support essential community partnerships like ours would be significantly reduced. This would directly limit the number of families we can feed, restrict access to health education, and weaken the support systems that vulnerable residents rely on.

We express our sincere appreciation and gratitude for our partnership with RWJBarnabas Health and their unwavering commitment to building and sustaining healthier, stronger communities throughout New Jersey. Continued State investment in RWJBH's community partnerships is essential to sustaining programs that directly benefit families across our city and our state.

Sincerely,

Craig Mainor



Executive Director
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