

May 20, 2002

Mrs. Sonja Bates-Norwood
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Dear Mrs. Norwood:

My office is looking forward to working with you and your family to establish a partnership between the State of Mississippi and the Norwood Kids Foundation for the benefit of disadvantaged Mississippi children and their families.

Armerita Tell and Kelly Riley of my staff have briefed me on their discussions with you and the ideas that were formulated as a result of those discussions. I would like to suggest that the Norwood Kids Foundation continue its work in Pike County and establish programs in Noxubee and Leflore counties. I think an effective program format would include activities for both the students, such as your tutoring and technology programs, as well as educational programs for their parents to assist them in developing their skills.

Armerita and Kelly are looking forward to working with you to establish 10-member local boards to oversee the work of the programs in Noxubee and Leflore counties. We will seek the advice and expertise of these local citizens to assist us in identifying potential program facilities. My staff can also assist you in establishing a marketing initiative for the programs. I am looking forward to holding press events with you to announce our partnership in these areas.

Armerita will be in touch with you shortly to discuss these and other ideas in greater detail. Working together, we are going to make a positive difference in the lives of Mississippi's children and their families!

Very truly yours,

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