## **Public Comments re: Childcare negotiations**

Angie Stunz

Mon 9/20/2021 4:21 PM

To: Distrib- City Clerk < City.Clerk@cityofsanrafael.org >

My name is Angie Stunz. I have worked for the City of San Rafael in the Childcare Division for 20 years. I have been the director at Mary Silveira Childrens Center for the past 15 years. I have gotten to know many families in the San Rafael community over the years. I feel very proud of our division. The quality of care we provide is exceptional. Working with kids throughout Covid has been challenging. Our division was asked to work pop-ups in the very beginning when there was so much fear and uncertainty. We've navigated many changes throughout the pandemic; from running pop ups for healthcare workers, to opening small cohorts at our own centers, to assisting with remote schooling, and now trying to run regular sized programing while often being understaffed. We've managed to do it all throughout this time, while adhering to the ever-changing covid protocols, and keeping the children and ourselves safe and healthy

Our negotiations have started, and I would like the city to stand up for us. More than ever, we deserve to receive decent pay increases and more money for our healthcare benefits.

Thank you for your time.

Angie Stunz Center Director Mary Silveira Children's Center

## **Public Comment**

## Jocelyn Hallroan

Mon 9/20/2021 4:30 PM

To: Distrib- City Clerk < City.Clerk@cityofsanrafael.org >

Mayor and Council Members,

My name is Jocelyn Hallroan, I have worked for the City of San Rafael for over 28 years, over half my life I am currently the director at Glenwood Children's Center. I am also a Union Steward and have served for many rounds of negotiations. I love my job and serving the community I live in I have also worked the front lines through the pandemic, working with essential workers children that I have never met and trying to keep them and my self safe for getting sick. Those and these are truly scary times. Child Care was up and running, we didn't get to work from home. And now that we are able to get back to normalcy, we can't staff our programs. The rate of pay we are offering is less that you can make at In and Out Burger. And we struggle to maintain the staff we have because we don't even make a living wage or provide adequate heath care. We are only asking to be brought up to par with other union members in the city. We deserve to be compensated equally. We need a living wage and better benefits. I will be paying \$1044.60 per month for heath care while other workers are paying \$561. This is ridiculous. We provide such an essential service to this community and are so under paid for it

Please make things right for us

Thank you,

Jocelyn Hallroan

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