From: O"Neal, Chantell
To: Prairie, Crystal
Subject: FW: From Art Explorers
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From: Mara Thomas <mmthomas@mcn.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 3:41 PM
To: O'Neal, Chantell <COneal@fortbragg.com>
Subject: From Art Explorers

Dear Ms. Chantell O'Neal:

Thank you for all of your help shepherding Art Explorers through the process of requesting a loading zone in front of our new location at
333 N. Franklin Street. Last spring when we made our request, we envisioned a host of problems with picking up and dropping off our clients in a much busier spot. Thankfully, those problems have not really materialized over our last two months of occupancy. Rocking the back lot and replacing the decrepit stairs have made the rear of the building a feasible and safe entrance for us. Dial A Ride is using both the alley and North Franklin Street. So far we have not run into real difficulties with clients who do need to be dropped off and picked up in front.

I discussed the situation with our executive co-directors, Sarah De Angelo and Maria Trombetta, and they are in agreement that we can manage without a loading zone in front. In an ideal world it would be quite convenient for Art Explorers to have such a loading zone, but we are cognizant of the fact that removing three parking spaces from North Franklin Street will create a burden for others in the central business district.

Art Explorers appreciates the Traffic Committee's consideration of our request. We see no reason to object to your recommendation to deny it.

We are delighted to be in our new location and hope you will come visit us on First Fridays.

Sincerely,

Mara Thomas
Board President
Art Explorers