

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN
GADSDEN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
AND
COMMUNITY SCHOLARS, INC.**

This **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING** ("MOU") for services is entered into, by and between Gadsden Independent School District, P.O. Box Drawer 70, Anthony, NM, 88021 and Community Scholars, Inc., organized under the laws of the State of Texas with offices at 200 N. Ochoa St., El Paso, Texas, 79901.

WITNESSETH THAT:

Whereas, Gadsden School District desires to engage Community Scholars to render certain services listed below:

I. SCOPE OF SERVICE:

Community Scholars anticipates the participation of two GISD students in the 2008 summer session, a contract value of \$12,200.

The student selection will be announced in late April. Community Scholars will notify Gadsden Independent School District of the students who will be admitted into Community Scholars for the 2008 summer session.

- a. Community Scholars, in partnership with GISD, will recruit up to two students from the district; students will be hired in April 2008.
- b. Community Scholars will pay each participating student a salary of \$7.50 per hour to perform economic development and public policy research.
- c. Each participating public student will be provided training in the following technical skills: MS Word, Power Point, Excel, GIS Mapping, public speaking, presentation skills, effective writing, conducting professional interviews and quantitative research and analysis.
- d. In accepting this offer, students must make Community Scholars their top priority. Students are expected to attend all training sessions (**May 5th through May 30th**) and work every day work day (**June 9th – July 25th**). **Training will be held Monday- Friday from 5:00p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Work will be Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.** The only exception would be a documented illness or events outside of the student's control, such as a family emergency. If they cannot make this commitment to Community Scholars, the job offer will be extended to someone else.
- e. Research will be published in the fall of 2008 and distributed throughout El Paso, other areas in Texas and the region.
- f. Community Scholars will coordinate speaking engagements and presentations where the scholars will continue to present to community organizations and other interested groups throughout the fall of 2008 and the spring of 2009.

II. TIME OF PERFORMANCE:

This **MOU** shall commence on April 10, 2008 between Gadsden Independent School District and Community Scholars and will continue through August 31, 2008.

Gadsden Independent School District

COMMUNITY SCHOLARS, INC.

Superintendent or representative

Sofia Larkin, Executive Director

Date of Acceptance

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