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Dear Friend of APALC,

Two of APALC's greatest assets are its building and its staff. Our building has served as a gathering point for community action and a place of help and hope for community members in need of legal services. Because we so fortunately have these resources, we take seriously the mandate to steward them well. And so, despite the troubled economic times, we have undertaken a building renovation project to increase effectiveness and efficiency, so that we might better serve the community.

History

APALC had intended to undertake a large scale renovation that would create additional office space to accommodate APALC staff and interns, as well as create a large community room on the first floor. In the last several months, as the economic downturn has continued to affect many sectors, including the nonprofit community, some of the foundations APALC had approached last year have canceled their plans for capital grant making. APALC has also lost \$150,000 this past year in rental income since the anchor tenant moved out of the first floor space, and with a larger renovation project no longer feasible, it is now a priority to rent out the space.

There is an urgent need to complete the first phase of the building renovation, especially in making the first floor anchor space available for rental so that we do not continue to lose rental income. APALC has decided to undertake a limited renovation that would ready the first floor anchor space for rental, create a large community multi-purpose room on the first floor, and move some APALC staff from the first floor to the second floor so that all staff are located in the same office suite.

Your Support

We were fortunate to recently receive two foundation grants totaling \$100,000 for this first phase of renovation. We are also pleased to announce that we have a donor who has issued a challenge gift and will match dollar for dollar, up to \$40,000, any donations for the remainder of the first phase of building renovation.

We need your support to complete the first phase of this renovation project and achieve the \$40,000 challenge gift.

Would you give now so that APALC can more effectively and efficiently serve the community?

We are asking for your support and your pledge by June 1, 2009 to help APALC complete this project. Recognition opportunities are available for major donors at the \$1,200 or greater level. Please see the attached pledge form for more information.

Very truly yours,

Stewart Kwoh

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A gathering space for the community: a rendering of APALC's completed community room.

