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Michelle Jones  
Ohio Police Athletic League

Dear Ms. Jones,

This letter is to express our support for the K.O. Drugs boxing academy.

For the past five years **Chuck Nelson**, Bill Malone and Jimmy Cordova have given their time and money to sponsor and promote boxing for pre-golden gloves high school kids. They set up a "basic" gym and accept kids at no charge to train. Once a year they hold a tournament, due to the number of participants it takes three or four days to complete. This is their only source of income to our knowledge and it does not cover their expenses to pay for the tournament itself and the rest of the year that their gym is open. The number of participants in itself demonstrates to us that it is indeed a worthwhile project which shows these kids of all ages, race and social status what they are capable of and can achieve without getting involved in drugs and the type of life associated with them.

These men have proven to us by their perseverance that their's is not an idea or plan that will be abandoned.

Our department in the past has had members who have participated in the Police Olympics and are currently putting together a boxing team to participate in the International Police Olympics in 1994. Our members will be working hand in hand with the K.O. Drugs Boxing Academy and would appreciate immensely, any monetary assistance you could help arrange for them.

I can personally vouch for the characters of these men as I have known Chuck and Jimmy for approximately thirty years and Bill for the past five. Their only concern as long as I've known them has been for the welfare of our youth.

Respectfully,

Sgt. Philip B. Rogers  
Ranking Representative  
FOP#28 Labor Council