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To Whom It May Concern:

I am honored to write a letter of recognition to the Columbia Area Career Center SkillsUSA chapter. Their community service project "Cause an Effect" has had a tremendous impact on the Columbia area and our ability to serve our community. The computers they donated to our center enabled us to launch our free financial counseling program as well as our free IT assistance program.

Financial counseling services are provided by University of Missouri students in the department of Personal Financial Planning. Students utilize the donated computers to work with clients during their counseling session. This includes having the capability to view online bill paying systems, pull credit scores, and create a budget.

Zou-IT is an IT assistance program provided by University of Missouri students in the IT and Computer Science departments. Students provide one on one assistance to individuals with any issue related to computers or mobile devices. The computers provided by the Columbia Area Career Center SkillsUSA chapter provided a way to demonstrate programs to clients.

In addition to helping improve the lives of individuals in our community, these programs allow students to learn more in their field of study through volunteering their time to help community members. We are proud to support SkillsUSA, the Columbia Area Career Center, and the Cause an Effect project. This student project has certainly "caused an effect" in our community!

Sincerely,

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