

Abundance Centres  
uLearn Naturally Learners' Co-Operative  
Chestnuts Community Centre  
280 St Ann's Road  
London N15 5BN

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

**Subject: Reference for Abundance Centres Funding Appeal**

I am writing to support the application of Abundance Centres for funding to support their project.

I am Gill Aouya and hold the position of Industry Placement Officer with the Science and Engineering Department at The College of Haringey, Enfield and North East London. I know the Abundance Centres team as I have administered several cohorts of work placements with them.

I support their project, and believe it will be successful because the organisation has demonstrated consistent creative determination to engage communities into STEM advancement. All of my colleagues who have dealings with Abundance Centres (uLearn Naturally) have also been consistent in their positive commendation of their experience with the Abundance team and management. They demonstrate highly professional systems for staff management and working with young people. We have also heard positively from our students who have been engaged at Abundance Centres (as work placements) into very interesting research and development projects.

Abundance Centres have taken on the commitment of our longer term industry placements, a 45 day placement, two weeks and then two days thereafter, this commitment from Abundance has been so valuable, with great learning curves on a par with the MRC (Medical Research Council London) and TFL. That engagement capacity is greatly valued by both the young people and their parents. It is also very much appreciated by CONEL.

I am willing to be contacted by a member of the fund team to discuss my thoughts and experience of professional engagement with Abundance Centres and their project.

Yours Faithfully

**Many Thanks**

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