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Good Evening -

I wanted to reach out in support of the Colorado Kids Ranch. This is a family-owned business and I really appreciate the owners giving my daughter a job last September and October. She learned so much in 2 months! She was almost 14 when she got hired on to earn money for her Washington DC/New York Trip for 8th Grade. We told her that she needed to make half of what the trip cost and she was able to do that only working weekends with this awesome company. She was taught work ethic, how to work with others, about the animals and much, much more. She really enjoyed watching all the families show up and enjoy the pumpkin patch. There is so much to do and family time is special. My daughter was really hoping to work the next 4 years for the Colorado Kids Ranch as they really like to help motivate and teach kids hard work leads to success.

If this company could just get the backing from El Paso county and gain access to Highway 105 so that the neighborhood would see less traffic that would help move everyone in the right direction. The neighborhood would be happy and all the people that enjoy their time at the pumpkin patch would be happy. Let's not hinder this small business and move to put them out of business. Stand up for the small business owners who are just trying to make a living and in-turn creating family memories that will last a lifetime. Some of my best memories with my kiddo are at the pumpkin patch! Some of the best photos I have are her with the animals, the pumpkins and hay bales.

I thank you for taking the time to read this and I am more that happy to show up in person in support for the Colorado Kids Ranch!

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