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To whom it may concern:

Sarge Community Base, Inc. is not only a pillar to the Pasadena community, but also within many household such as mine. My name is Tracy Davis and during spring 2007, I noticed a change within my son's attitude toward adults especially females. My son's attitude was different, but it was hard to explain at the time because I did not know what was bothering him. I did not know if it was from the lack of his father's presence or problems at school. During the summer of 2007, my son called me a **BITCH (for the first time)** and I almost lost my mind. I quickly reacted by sitting on him and grabbing him around his neck until he apologized up, close and personal.

I became ashamed of the parent I was because my son was now out of control. I fail to understand why he was so angry at his life or me. I have always placed him and GOD first and everything else second. I would even question my ability of being a good parent. While I was at work or either school, I made sure Keyon received help from the best tutors in town and I even took him to school with me so he can see my accomplishments. Keyon attitude continued to spiral out of control toward me and it began to show when I would ask him to do something.

The arguments grew intense and the fights continued from 2007 until December 2009. I would begin to see a monster no longer a child in my presence. I question him about drug usage, but he denied using anything when asked. I remembered our very first fight was so intense that I remember picking him up and body slamming him and trying to push his head out of his window. A piece of glass flew from the window glazing Keyon and I saw the blood and backed off. I called the Compton Police and Keyon disconnected the phone cord by pulling the wire out of the telephone box from outside. The police did come, but Keyon had left. I have been haunted with the most disrespectful words such as BITCH, FAT BITCH, ETC.

I was determined to get help because we were constantly at each other's throats with violent words. I knew it was wrong, but I was tired and I have cried out for help and no one seemed to be of help at all. He even pushed my mother and cursed out my aunt on several occasions. To make matters even worse he posted on Myspace.com that our neighbor likes to have d--- stuck up his a**. When confronted, Keyon laughed hysterically without a care in the world in front of his friends. The parent and I did discuss the matter and I apologized for my son's ignorance.

It was time to take action, so I turned to people that had I trusted and knew him such as his tutors and Sheriff (personnel) on campus at my workplace. My last resort was the Carson Sheriff's Station (Gang Unit). The intervention utilized by Carson Sheriff Station did not work

at all and I felt I had wasted 2 years of trying. I constantly told myself that I would find help one day, but I hope it is not too late.

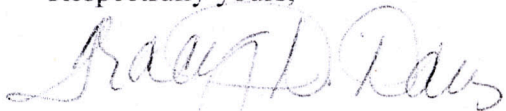
My son would go onto MySpace.com and post negative comments about me and of course, my co-workers would relay the comments to me. Yes, I was hurt, ashamed, and embarrassed. My son has threatened to kill me while fighting me. I had to react quick because this was growing out of hand day by day, so I scheduled an appointment for Keyon to see a Psychiatrist, but Keyon resisted seeing a counselor for help with his anger issues.

In 2009-10, Keyon's grades had fallen to all F's except in Physical Education. I received one warning in November and the final letter in February stating that his "PERMIT WAS REVOKED". I was devastated by the news of his lack of effort. My passion in life is to ensure that my son does **not** go to jail or even worse end up dead due to his bad choices in life such as drugs, drinking, hanging out in abandoned houses, riding in car with someone who barely knows how to drive, and being disrespectful to adults. My cry for help arrived in January 2010 while talking to a friend about my son's behavior and I can proudly say that *SARGE COMMUNITY BASE IS EFFECTIVE*. I would highly recommend this program to any parent in need to help.

The program has taught my son how to control his temper. He is still learning and I know it will take time, but I am glad to see that he is trying. In addition, the parents are required to attend a **Parent Project** for 10 weeks every Wednesday and Saturday that provides parents with the proper tools to help transition their teen into well-behaved adolescences ready to meet the world that awaits them.

In conclusion, Sarge Community Base is a non-profit organization that will not be able to survive without the help from the community and those who believe in the transformation of their once out of control adolescence. I have witnessed a change within my own son's daily routine that has proven to me that change is possible. We must remember that *sometimes it takes a group of others along with the parent to create an environment that challenges the unexpected within all of us*. Please feel free to email me at tracydenisedavis@hotmail.com.

Respectfully yours,



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