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Dear Fellow Kiwanians ...

As the District Key Club Administrator, I'm approaching you all for help yet again to support our Key Club members that are hoping to attend the 2023 International Key Club Convention

We are planning for the Key Club International Convention in Anaheim, California. I've attached the brochure given to Key Club members. Again, we are planning a pre-convention tour alongside 9 other districts! Last year's experience was so positive for our students that we have grown from 6 to 10 districts.

This year's event has two huge events for the Nebraska-Iowa Key Club attendees to celebrate! Our district will, for the first time in history, be presented the International Key Club Key of Honor. This award is the highest service award at the international level and was announced at our District Convention and presented to Ron Petsch – but will be formally presented at the International Convention in Anaheim.

Also at this year's convention, we will be running a candidate for international office. Blake Corbisier from Southeast Polk Key Club will be running and the more members that we have in attendance, the more we can support him in his election!

I know that everyone has experienced the increases of travel expenses as we have come out of Covid times. This trip is no exception. Students from Nebraska and Iowa are anticipating nearly \$600.00 for airfare costs alone. This is why I've offered the trip without the airfare included for the ease of parents issuing their students' tickets on their own.

Please understand that some of these Key Club members can afford to pay for their costs or at least a portion of them. Most cannot. I'm asking you as Kiwanians for your help. I would like to be able to supplement all of the members as reimbursement after their travel. Many clubs have told me that they either don't sponsor a Key Club or their youth budget has been awaiting the opportunity, or their Key Clubs that they sponsor haven't approached them for support. This is how those clubs can help!

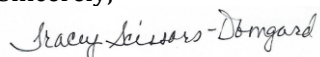
If you do not sponsor a Key Club, this is your opportunity to HELP! Any amount of support is helpful! Please discuss with your board or club members to see what your club might be able to help with.

If you have budgeted funds that haven't been used yet for a Service Leadership Program (SLP) please consider helping out! ANY amount of help is appreciated!

If you have your own Key Club that you sponsor, please consider sending them to the International Convention! You have a Kiwanis Advisor that can communicate with the Faculty Advisor and encourage attendance and declare support from your club. I promise that they will experience a once-in-a-lifetime event!

We currently have chaperones ready and committed for the Key Club Convention trip! As you can see by the brochure, students are able to attend the convention itself, or add on the tour prior to the convention. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email or call me! Any financial support can be made out to NE-IA KEY CLUB and mailed directly to me at 6125 Rosebud Drive, Lincoln, NE 68516.

Sincerely,



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