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Dear Keith,

My name is Adam Strand and I am a Scout Leader of KD15 Scouts based on the Habberley estate in Kidderminster. I have recently wrote a letter to councillor John-Paul Champion asking if there were any funds available for charitable / voluntary groups like us. John-Paul explained that they don't have huge amounts of funds available for this type of thing but advised me to write this letter to you asking for a small contribution e.g. £250 to head up our fund raising efforts already.

To give you a better understanding why it is that KD15 Scouts are currently in desperate need of funding is that we / I as a leader do not have the funds available to be able to afford the upkeep of the building and the equipment we need to be able to support our scouts in the adventures and camps they so very much enjoy.

As a young boy I used to go to KD15 Scouts, which is where I can honestly say I learned the life long skills that give me a head start in adult life. At the age of twenty five I am looking to put something back into the community and into something I valued so much as a child. The reason I mention the above is that since I left scouts at the age of fourteen there has obviously been many leaders that have taken on such an influencing and dedicating role. The unfortunate thing is that the equipment is exactly the same equipment I used when I was a scout. Nothing has been renewed or updated since I had left and there are also now much needed repairs to be done to our hut.

I took over the scout section of KD15 Scouts exactly one year ago and since then the scouts and I have taken part in many fund raising opportunities e.g. car washing, bag packing at Sainsbury's, selling hot food and drinks at local football matches etc. We too have helped fund other charities locally to ensure we as a group are giving something back too. Fundraising is the key income to our scout section but there is only so much time that us as volunteers can give within a year.

To give you an idea on what we need the funding for, please see below a few key items that we need against what it will cost us:

- One of the fire exit doors is rotting and tarmac behind hut will need to be replaced to make it a safe fire door to exit the premises £940 (Key on our fund raising agenda)
- Replacement glass for one of our huts double glazed windows – £70
- Trailer wood is deteriorating (key for carrying our equipment to the camp sites) - £90
- 10 x Light weight tents – £525
- 10 x Trangia's (cooking equipment) - £500
- 10 x 85 litre Rucksacks - £499.90

The above are all things we look to raise money for over 2008 and will do our best to get as much money in as possible.

Thanks ever so much for your time and I do hope very much you will be able to help. If at all a donation was possible to head up our current and future fund raising events then please make cheques payable to KD15 Scouts and send cheques to the above address.

Yours truly,

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