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Dear Friends of Guilford's A Better Chance Program,

You may notice that A Better Chance has a more contemporary look with a new logo. Our local Guilford logo reflects the National Organization, A Better Chance, Inc. The National Organization has created an up-dated Charter for the Public Schools Program and has hired a staff person to be a liason with the 25 Public School Programs. This creates a newly strengthened relationship with the National Organization. One thing, though, has not changed. Guilford A Better Chance must raise all of our operating funds and gets no financial support from National A Better Chance or Government agencies.

Local program funding is the commitment and responsibility of our community. Guilford A Better Chance is fortunate to receive significant funding from the Hole in the Wall resale shop on Boston Street and the Secret Garden Tour, the second week in June, but 1/3 of our income comes from the generosity of individual contributors like you.

As we start our 35th year of hosting A Better Chance scholars, we have much to reflect on. We have graduated just over 50 young women who have been successful in college and gone onto interesting careers in business, research, social work, and education to name a few.

Our five current students are thriving at the Guilford High School and are following in their predecessors' steps. They are taking challenging courses and are making a difference in many of the extracurricular activities.

The opportunity to experience an excellent High School experience is the driving force behind the A Better Chance Program. We are privileged to be part of this organization.

Remember to contribute to and shop at the Hole in the Wall and please join us in supporting this program that enriches the whole Guilford community with your tax deductible contribution. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Winnie Seibert

Winnie Seibert, President