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Arbor View High School Marching Band

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INTRODUCTION

Purpose of Service Site:
The Band Boosters are a non-profit organization that fundraise for the students and directors of the AVHS marching band. The purpose of the Band Boosters is to support the financial needs of the band and maintain an enthusiastic interest in the students, staff, parents, and community.

Community Service Paradigm
The charity paradigm fits the organization perfectly since they fundraises and donate all their profits to the AVHS band. The Band Boosters don’t support any other bands across Las Vegas.

Social Issue Research

The State of the Social Issue:
The social issue that the AVHS Band and the Band Boosters face is the lack of funding for the program. The Clark County School District has been reducing the budget of many schools in the past decade. This year, over $17.6 million has been cut from all high schools in the county and Arbor View has lost $579 thousand dollars in budget cuts (Forest 2018).

Approach to the Social Issue:
In order to address the social issue presented by the band, the Band Boosters fundraise at concession stands in places like the Motor Speedway and the T-Mobile Arena. They have done a great job in raising money for the band where seasonal fees have gone down for students and the band has been able to provide for more out-of-state trips.

References

Service learning Experience and Making a Difference

Service to Community and Reflection:
During my community service, I had help expedite at various events across Vegas and aided the band during competitions. I have been volunteering for the Band Boosters since the beginning of 2017. By doing this service learning experience, I have learn the importance of community service and how much it means for the students and staff to have people support the band.

Differences and Outcomes:
This experience has changed the way I view community service and importance of it within our society. I felt like I made a very small difference at the site but that’s because of to the large number of volunteers supporting the band. The band will continue to gain the support it needs for years to come.