Dear *[Name]*,

I’ve always needed community to help fill my cup. The disruptions of this year continue to remind me of the value of connection through caring relationships. With so much changing as we navigate 2020, I am thankful for my community’s support.

What has not changed this year is our AmeriCorps members’ commitment to their students and helping them to learn, grow and strive—their dedication is stronger than ever. When our students started their school year virtually a City Year AmeriCorps member was there to help create a trusting relationship and a learning environment built on belonging and a love of learning. These are all things we know a student needs to be successful.

In Philadelphia, our AmeriCorps members are serving in 16 schools across the School District of Philadelphia and the charter school network, supporting 10,000 students. The transition to virtual learning has been challenging for students and our teams alike but our AmeriCorps members continue to show incredible creativity and innovation, finding ways to connect with their students and make sure that their new virtual environment still feels like a community.

We are grateful for {your contribution last year of $X / your past support} and ask for your continued support this year by renewing, or even increasing, your gift.

Your gift helps ensure that our students continue to have the support of AmeriCorps members as part of their school day.

Yours in service,

*[Executive Director signature]*