



**Hi Desert
Division 62**

December 17, 2019

Joshua Tree Residential Education Experience
Board of Directors
P.O. Box 980
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On December 13, 2019, our Board voted unanimously, with general membership approval, to submit this Letter of Support for the Joshua Tree Residential Experience (JTREE). We are delighted to do so on behalf of the California Retired Teachers Association, High Desert Division 62.

California Retired Teachers, High Desert Division 62, believes in quality education programs that provide opportunities for students in the Morongo Basin, and we feel strongly JTREE will do such for our area. We are confident JTREE will also make a positive difference in the lives of many students and community members as they explore environmental education, learn about being positive stewards in our world, and feel empowered to make a difference in society while building their self-esteem, personal knowledge, and skills.

With the interdisciplinary educational programs, the integration of science, technology, math, social and cultural sciences, and the humanities, we believe this residential experience will be a great motivational learning experience for the students of the Morongo Basin, and surrounding areas.

We look forward to hearing more about JTREE, and its development.

Sincerely,

Doris Lawless and Gay Smith
Co-Presidents
California Retired Teachers Association
High Desert, Division 62