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**Subject:** CYBS (Crossville Youth Baseball Softball) formerly Dixie Youth Baseball and Softball

Dear City Council,

Good evening, My name is Gina Leary and I serve on the board of CYBS, as the secretary since 2000. My boys, Clay and Tyler are now in college. I serve on the board for the kids of this wonderful city and county.

As you may know, we are volunteers on the board. We have asked that the City Park and Recreation take over the league. We have been told that the city does not have and do not see in the near future of hiring an athletic director for the parks.

We would like the legacy of the league to continue for all kids in the city and county. We encourage all children no matter of their financial situation, to play ball.

The county and city use to give our league a total of \$5000.00 combined to help our league with the cost to run our ball program.

The county stopped giving our league money several years ago and the city continued to give us money until this year. CYBS went from \$5000.00 to \$4000.00 to \$2000.00 to this year zero. We are no longer on the city budget list.

We will no longer be able to give out high school scholarships or let the children play for free. With all the expenses of insurance, umpires, equipment and uniforms it cost our league over \$20,000.00 a year to run this program.

We desperately need your help in continuing to run this program successfully for the kids of Cumberland County.

Sincerely,

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