

COTA STREET STUDIOS, LLC &
235 EAST HALEY PARTNERS
Dan Upton and Leon Olson

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Alan Macy and Cindy Macy
Santa Barbara Center for Art, Science and Technology

Dear Alan and Cindy,

Thank you for the tour of your proposed project at 515 Garden Street. We are excited about and supportive of your innovative project adding to Santa Barbara's evolving art district "South of Cota". We are your adjacent neighbor at 235 E. Haley and majority owners of Cota Street Studios around the corner at 225 E. Cota. Leon and I have been involved in many interesting and innovative projects ourselves in Santa Barbara. We both worked with "Homes for People, Inc." adding 44 affordable housing units including live/work artist housing at "El Zoco". Since then we have successfully teamed with Jeff Shelton Architect creating some very interesting and artistic infill housing.

Because of our background and our support of the "SOCO" art district, we are delighted that your team has proposed this project in our neighborhood. The concept of the Center is new and fresh. The clean architecture combined with the choices of materials, particularly the use of recycled shipping containers, fits perfectly with the concept of the Center itself and the mixed nature of the block. We can be counted on in support of your project.

Sincerely,

Dan Upton

Leon Olson