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Jazzarae Jones Founder/CEO Music Theory Studios 253 Monticello Avenue, SUITE 444 Norfolk, VA 23510

Dear Jazzarae and the Music Theory Studios Leadership,

I cannot begin to express my appreciation for your continued partnership with us at Tidewater Youth Services. Your STEAM programing was exactly what our juvenile justice population needed to increase their math, science, and art skills through experiential learning activities. Beats per Minutes, Sound Theory, and Designing their own attire takes STEAM skills. MTS programming gave them space to practice and develop those skills.

I remember the first group we brought to your studios - it was such a quiet and timid group of guys! However, it wasn't long before you all were bringing the youth, their sound, and their stories into the safe space you have created with your studios. Empowering youth isn't about doing for them - it is creating a space for them to step into and feel supported to create and dream big.

All the Best,

Jenny Hodge

Jenny Hodge, Executive Director

