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**Subject:** Please keep the equestrian center

Dear board members,

I was born and raised in Newport Beach and live in Eastside Costa Mesa just a few blocks from the fairgrounds. I grew up riding horses at the fair and my two daughters now 16 and 9 have both written at the fair. We go to the fair every year. We've never been fortunate enough to own our own horses but we love having horses so close by. During regional emergencies, our local equestrian center becomes an evacuation site for friends horses. We are aware of therapeutic equestrian activities and all sorts of special events that welcome the non-paying public all year. There are less expensive places for my daughters to ride however I always chose to pay more to have my daughter's ride at the fairgrounds because as a working mother I could never manage having to drive them all over the county. Horses aren't free. It requires a tremendous amount of money and upkeep in the city. However what is happening at the OC fairgrounds equestrian center is an incredible public resource and needs to continue. I have been fighting to protect it My entire adult life and I will continue doing so.

Warmly,  
Caroline

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