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Dear Friend,

I am a member of the [Golden Empire Drum & Bugle Corps](#), a performing arts program at Bakersfield College. We are a group of over 100 students perfecting skills in brass, percussion, and visual performance. In addition to helping us become better at our craft, our activity is helping us all develop skills in **teamwork**, **discipline**, and **responsibility**.

But we're not just practicing to become better performers. We also **compete** regionally against some of the best drumcorps in the nation. In fact, Golden Empire is the first ever [Drum Corps International](#) Open Class corps from our community and we are currently preparing for our next competitive season. We will be touring throughout California and as far north as **Seattle, WA**.

I'm writing because **we need your help** to make it happen. Because we are self-funded, we each need to raise \$1800 to pay for our travel expenses this season, food, production of the show, equipment, etc. Your **tax-deductible** contribution would be so helpful.

I would be very grateful if you would consider being one of our sponsors. Any amount you donate would be **greatly appreciated**. It would give us a chance to not only represent Bakersfield College, but to represent all of the *Golden Empire!*

Thank you in advance,

Checks (or money orders) can be made payable to the "Bakersfield College Foundation". Please list "Golden Empire Performing Arts" in the memo (and the name of the specific member you would like to support). **Mail donations to:**

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You can also **donate online!** Check out <http://www.geperformingarts.org/support.html> for more details!