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President and Chief Executive Officer

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Mr. Phil Keith

Director
Office of Community Oriented Policing Services
United States Department of Justice
145 N Street, NE
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Director Keith:

The Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) is committed to collaborating with MovementForward, Inc., and its One Congregation One Precinct (OneCOP) initiative. I write today in support of OneCOP's application to your recently released grant proposal solicitation.

LISC champions the power that community developers wield to reduce crime – by rehabilitating problem properties, by building collective efficacy among residents, and by creating economic opportunity in places where hope is in short supply. A 2017 research report found that LISC's strategy for deploying those resources to complement evidence-based law enforcement yielded crime drops as big as 41% in three neighborhoods, compared to what occurred in similar, nearby communities over the same time period. Since 2012, LISC has served as the national technical assistance provider to 75 urban and rural sites in BJA's Innovations in Community Based Crime Reduction (CBCR) program. LISC has also continued to work with community and law enforcement leaders in other jurisdictions through projects such as ones supported by the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services.

As a nationwide organization, LISC has constituents, members and offices in local communities across the United States. If the OneCOP grant application is successful and receives funding from your agency, we will continue to assist and collaborate with MovementForward to offer the initiative to our nationwide network.

Our commitment to the OneCOP initiative may include delivering subject-matter expertise, counsel and coordination in the following manner:

- Engaging in technical assistance conference calls with partners and program staff
- Serving as a partner by participating in special events and coordination meetings
- Hosting web-based trainings for partners and project participants

• Serving as a convener to connect the project to LISC's larger national network and partners

If grant resources are available, we also have the capacity to assist the OneCOP initiative with other training programs, written materials, and other educational products.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide support for this important effort. Please reach out directly should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

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