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July 7, 2015

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan
And the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Justice to grant Media Power Youth (Vendor #167350) \$50,000 to support the continued implementation of violence prevention through media literacy education programming in schools upon Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2016. 100% General Funds

Funds to support this request are anticipated to be available in the following account in State FY 2016 upon the availability and continued appropriation of funds in the future operating budget. #02-20-20-200010-2601-073-500581; Department of Justice, Attorney General, Grants Non-Federal.

EXPLANATION

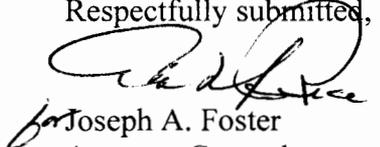
Through this request, the NH Department of Justice is requesting approval to award funding to the non-profit organization, Media Power Youth, to support the continuation of violence prevention programming through media literacy education.

Extensive research evidence indicates that children's exposure to media violence can contribute to aggressive behavior, desensitization to violence, nightmares, and fear of being harmed. Studies have shown that media education can help to reduce violent/aggressive behavior in children and help them develop pro-social behaviors including respect, empathy, compassion and engagement with peers, family and community.

Media Power Youth, a 501 (c)(3) organization based in Manchester, New Hampshire, provides media education using evidence-based curriculum which is available to teachers and school professionals for implementation in their schools. The grant will enable Media Power Youth to continue to provide programming in school districts. District representation includes commitments from the southeastern, southwestern, central and northern regions of the State of New Hampshire. Media Power Youth will offer training, both in person and on-line, to teachers and other education professionals on media literacy and the implementation of the curriculum.

Additionally, Media Power Youth will identify communities committed to providing a continuum of media literacy for adults and will continue to work with model communities to implement middle school, high school, community and parent programming over the grant period.

Please let me know if you have any questions concerning this request. Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

for Joseph A. Foster
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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE GRANT AWARD		
Agency Name: Media Power Youth	Vendor No.: 167350	
Program Name: Media Program	Amount: \$ 50,000.00	
Grant Start Date: G & C Approval	State Grant Number: 2016MPY01	
Grant End Date: 06/30/16	Federal Grant Number: None	
Appropriation No.: 02-20-20-200010-2601-073-500581		
Head of Agency	Project Director	Fiscal Officer
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Grant Name:	State Award	
Agency:	United States Department of Justice	
Bureau/Office:	Office of Justice Programs	
CFDA Number:	State Award	
Purpose of Grant:	Supporting Media Literacy through Education	
Program Requirements:	Adherence to Program Conditions and Guidelines.	
Match Requirements:	Match must be spent on program allowable activities.	
Program income Requirements:	Program Income must be reported and spent on program allowable activities.	
Reporting Requirements:	Monthly or quarterly Financial reports. Required Performance reports and audit. Adherence to Program Conditions and Guidelines. Completion of Monitoring forms and processes.	
Approval	Program Agency	NH Department of Justice
Name	Rona Zlokower	Kathleen Carr
Title	Executive Director	Director of Administration
Date		
All terms of this grant award are not valid unless signed by both authorized parties.		