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The Honorable John R. Kasich
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Dear Governor Kasich:

It is my pleasure to write in support of the Boys & Girls Club of Lorain County's application for the State of Ohio's Community Connectors grant.

The Lorain Community Connectors Teen Mentorship Program is a unique collaboration between the Boys & Girls Club of Lorain County, Lorain County Urban League, Lorain City Schools, as well as several business partners, including Nordson Corporation, Equity Trust, and Lorain County Community College.

By joining forces, these non-profit, corporate, and educational partners will be able to offer robust, high quality mentoring, career and college readiness, and life skills services that each entity would be unable to offer individually. This collaboration will enable career exploration, job placement, and mentoring opportunities for some of Lorain County's most disadvantaged and vulnerable teens.

Due to the enormous strengths that each partner will be contributing to the project, the Teen Mentorship Program is poised to successfully prepare its teen participants for 21st Century careers while building character and resiliency. I encourage you to fund the Lorain Community Connectors Teen Mentorship Program to help Lorain County teens believe in and realize a positive future for themselves.

Please feel free to contact Michelle Gillcrist, Director of Programs & Development, at 216-212-0029 or Michelle.Gillcrist@OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov, if I can provide you with any additional information.

Very respectfully yours,

Mike DeWine
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