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Dear Community Connectors,

I am writing this letter in support of the Greater Hilltop Area Shalom Zone receiving the Community Connectors grant. The Greater Hilltop Area Shalom Zone provides critical services to the families living on the Hilltop in Columbus. The Teen Drop In Center, Teen Free Store, Mediation Center and the Basketball Program all serve youth right here in the Hilltop. These services assist young people to safely stay at home and provide safe havens in the community. The New Beginnings Mentoring Program will allow the Greater Hilltop Area Shalom Zone to expand their services to more vulnerable youth.

The Hilltop YMCA *organization* supports the proposal to accomplish the following goal:

- Provide mentorship opportunities for youth and young adults who have either dropped out of school or face social, economic or other challenges, that will allow them to develop skills and confidence to complete their high school education and/or develop life skills to permit them to function within society

The funding the Greater Hilltop Area Shalom Zone would receive from Community Connectors would be critical in assisting them in achieving their mission of Working Together for the Preferred Future of the Greater Hilltop.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request. If you would like any additional information please feel free to contact me at 614 276 8224.

Sincerely,

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