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GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME PREVENTION AND POLICY

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The Honorable Wes Moore
Governor of Maryland
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The Honorable William C. "Bill" Ferguson IV
President of the Senate
State House, H-107
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The Honorable Adrienne Jones
Speaker of the House of Delegates
State House, H-101
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RE: Public Safety Article § 4-1012(j) (MSAR #14878)

Dear Governor Moore, President Ferguson, and Speaker Jones:

In accordance with § 4-1012(j) of the Public Safety Article, which requires the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy (Office) to submit a report on the Officer and Community Wellness Training Grant Fund, please accept this letter as fulfillment of the required report.

Section 4-1012 of the Public Safety Article established the Officer and Community Wellness Training Grant Fund to provide grants to local law enforcement agencies for Mental Health First Aid for Public Safety (MHFAPS) training and Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) peer support training. It also requires the Office to administer the special non-lapsing fund and submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 31 of each year, as it relates to the established grant program and the following subrecipient reported information:

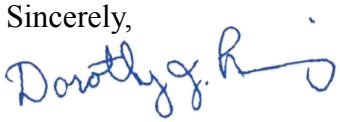
1. Proof of the expenditure of the grant funds and the purposes for which the funds were expended;
2. The total number of grants awarded and amount per police officer;
3. The total number of grants awarded separated by training program; and
4. Any related outcome-based performance measures as required by § 4-1009 of this subtitle.

Although the Office is eager to launch and manage the program, no funds were appropriated in the State budget for the grant program. For this reason, and once funds are appropriated, the Office will hire a grants manager to oversee the administration of the program.

Should you have any questions relating to the information provided, please feel free to contact me at 410-697-9338.

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Sincerely,



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