

Grants for My Brother's Keeper Initiative and Criminal Justice Reform Initiative

WHEREAS, the Board previously, at its meeting in June 2014, adopted My Brother's Keeper Initiative (the "MBK Initiative"); and

WHEREAS, the Initiative is a coordinated interagency effort that seeks to address, among other things, those disparities and opportunity gaps faced by boys and young men of color, to measurably improve their expected life and educational outcomes, and to unlock their full potential by making use of both public and private resources; and

WHEREAS the Board previously, at its meeting in May 2015, authorized the creation of the Justice Reform Task Force tasked with making recommendations on law enforcement best practices and initiatives to promote effective crime reduction while demonstrating the transparency, integrity and accountability necessary to restore public trust and ensure justice for all (the "Justice Reform Initiative"); and

WHEREAS, the Board deems it to be in the best interests of the Corporation to authorize up to two (2) grants, each in the amount of \$2,500.00 (collectively, the "Grants"), to be made available to organizations recommended by those Active Members of the Corporation working on and participating in supporting either the MBK Initiative or the Justice Reform Initiative; and

WHEREAS, organizations eligible to receive the Grants shall include municipalities situated within the United States of America and those organizations described under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to delegate to staff members of the Corporation, the authority to develop an application or applications for the Grants and to make recommendations based on such applications to the Corporation's Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to delegate to the Executive Committee, the authority to approve the final recipients of the Grants, provided that, no member of the Executive Committee shall be eligible for any Grant or permitted to nominate anyone to receive any such Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to make available the Grants at the Corporation's annual conference to be held in April 2016 (the "2016 Annual Conference"); and

WHEREAS, the Corporation has sufficient funds to make such Grants;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY

RESOLVED, that the Corporation is hereby authorized to make available the Grants at the 2016 Annual Conference for the purposes set forth above and subject to the selection process set forth above; and

WHEREAS, the use of the Corporation's funds for such Grants shall be consistent with the Corporation's tax-exempt purposes.