



January 22, 2019

Tanya Bell
Indiana Black Expo Inc.
3145 North Meridian Street
Indianapolis, IN 46208

Dear Ms. Bell,

After a rigorous review process, we are delighted to inform you that Indiana Black Expo Inc. is named a My Brother's Keeper Alliance (MBKA) Community to Watch. We are inspired by your strong track record of working to improve life outcomes for boys and young men of color in your community, while building cross-sector coalitions focused on measurable progress and lasting, structural change. Your designation as a Community to Watch is noted on the Obama Foundation website, which can be accessed [here](#).

As a Community to Watch we will not only spotlight your success but, we will also provide support and technical assistance training to strengthen your funding proposal and create opportunities for funders to learn about your work. In addition to granting you access to a curated list of funding opportunities, we are also planning to leverage an online platform that we believe can attract funders' attention to your local efforts. Additional information will follow.

President Obama launched My Brother's Keeper from the White House nearly five years ago to address the persistent opportunity gaps faced by boys and young men of color and to ensure all youth can reach their full potential. Since that time an unstoppable movement has grown to uphold and advance that promise; MBKA works to sustain that mission. You and your organization are a critical part of that movement and we're excited to work alongside you in the months and years ahead.

Please contact Cecilia Gutierrez, Deputy Director, MBK Alliance, Network and Partnerships (cgutierrez@obama.org), or Jared Brown, Partnerships Analyst (jbrown@obama.org), should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Broderick D. Johnson".

Broderick D. Johnson
Chair, MBK Alliance Advisory Council

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Michael D. Smith".

Michael D. Smith
Executive Director, MBK Alliance,
Director, Youth Opportunity Programs, Obama
Foundation