
CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance

The undersigned states, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

If any funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions. Submission of this statement is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

*** APPLICANT'S ORGANIZATION**

Citizens Crime Commission of New York City

*** PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE**

Prefix: * First Name: Middle Name:

* Last Name: Suffix:

* Title:

* SIGNATURE:

* DATE:

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424		
* 1. Type of Submission: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preapplication <input type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Changed/Corrected Application	* 2. Type of Application: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision	* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s): <input type="text"/> * Other (Specify): <input type="text"/>
* 3. Date Received: 05/24/2021	4. Applicant Identifier: <input type="text"/>	
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State Use Only:		
6. Date Received by State: <input type="text"/>	7. State Application Identifier: <input type="text"/>	
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:		
* a. Legal Name: Citizens Crime Commission of New York City		
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): (b)(6)	* c. Organizational DUNS: 1144558500000	
d. Address:		
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Street2:	9TH FLOOR	
* City:	NEW YORK	
County/Parish:	<input type="text"/>	
* State:	NY: New York	
Province:	<input type="text"/>	
* Country:	USA: UNITED STATES	
* Zip / Postal Code:	10017-4611	
e. Organizational Unit:		
Department Name: <input type="text"/>	Division Name: <input type="text"/>	
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:		
Prefix: <input type="text"/>	* First Name:	CLAIRE
Middle Name: <input type="text"/>		
* Last Name:	ABRAHAMS	
Suffix: <input type="text"/>		
Title:	PROGRAM DIRECTOR	
Organizational Affiliation: <input type="text"/>		
* Telephone Number: (b)(6)	Fax Number:	<input type="text"/>
* Email: (b)(6)	<input type="text"/>	

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*** 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:**

M: Nonprofit with 501C3 IRS Status (Other than Institution of Higher Education)

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

*** 10. Name of Federal Agency:**

Department of Homeland Security - FEMA

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

97.132

CFDA Title:

Financial Assistance for Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

DHS-21-TTP-132-00-01

* Title:

Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention (TVTP)

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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*** 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

Citizens Crime Commission Signals Project - Innovative Solutions for Preventing Targeted Violence and Terrorism through Online to Offline Interventions

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant

* b. Program/Project

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date:

* b. End Date:

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

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* b. Applicant	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* c. State	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
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* e. Other	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* f. Program Income	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="770,221.00"/>

*** 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**

a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on

b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.

c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

*** 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**

Yes No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)**

** I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix: * First Name:

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Suffix:

* Title:

* Telephone Number: Fax Number:

* Email:

* Signature of Authorized Representative: * Date Signed:

Cover Page for the Citizens Crime Commission of New York City Application to The Department of Homeland Security Fiscal Year 2021 Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention (TVTP) Grant Program

Name of entity applying: The Citizens Crime Commission of New York City
Primary Location: New York, New York
Application Track: Innovation Track
Project Types: Innovation Track: Implementing Innovative Solutions for Preventing Targeted Violence and Terrorism through Online to Offline Interventions
Funds Requested: \$770,221.38

Project Abstract

Terrorist and violent extremist organizations and movements successfully use the internet as a recruiting platform to reach vulnerable individuals and mobilize them to violence. (b)(4)

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In some cases, family or peers may be worried about an individual, but not know what to do or who to call, unwilling to contact law enforcement. (b)(4)

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1. Needs Assessment

Even though New York State has experienced an increase in violent extremism and targeted violence¹²³⁴ (b)(4)

(b)(4) no New York-based model exists to reach and intervene directly with at-risk individuals online, (b)(4)

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Terrorist and violent extremist organizations and movements successfully use the internet as a recruiting platform to reach vulnerable individuals and mobilize them to violence. (b)(4)

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¹ Oct. 31, 2017: Sayfullo Saipov, 29, kills eight people, injures 13 others with a rented truck in lower Manhattan.

² March 20, 2017: James Jackson traveled from Baltimore to New York, killed 66-year-old Kaufman in Midtown.

³ Oct. 6, 2017: El Bahnasawy (19), Haroon (19), Salic (37), busted for plotting a bombing campaign in the subway.

⁴ Sept. 17, 2016: Ahmad Khan Rahimi, was accused of detonating a bomb in Chelsea that injured 32 people.

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⁶ US Department of State, Bureau of Conflict and Stabilization Operations. (2019). "Breaking Pathways to Violent Radicalization: A Review of Countering Violent Extremism Intervention Programs". 2.

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The Citizens Crime Commission (CCC) of New York City, working in partnership with Moonshot, intends to fill these gaps in the terrorism and targeted violence prevention space.

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Currently, DEEP takes voluntary and court-mandated referrals from law enforcement and non-government partners. These referrals are made based on a need to intervene with an individual who is mobilizing to violence, but who does not necessarily pose enough of an imminent security risk to warrant law enforcement action or arrest on terrorism or similar

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2. Program Design

Problem Statement

As violent extremism continues to rise, law enforcement in New York State has faced an increasing number of cases pertaining to terrorism and targeted violence, driven by white supremacy, violent jihadism and other forms of extremism. (b)(4)

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This all works to address the DHS FY21 Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention Grant Program goals (TVTP) to *establish, expand and/or enhance local targeted violence and terrorism prevention frameworks, with specific emphasis on Objectives 4 and 5 from the NOFO and their intended outcomes.*⁸ (b)(4)

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Our experience with DEEP gives us the expertise to work with these individuals, providing specialized interventions based on their risks and needs. This project will work to ensure public safety (b)(4)

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(b)(4) In line with TVTP's objective to ensure that *members of the local community have access to multi-disciplinary...threat assessment and management teams that can intervene with an individual who has radicalized to violence before it becomes a criminal justice issue, with emphasis on the outcome of referring and connecting individuals with risk factors to online or offline intervention capability.* (b)(4)

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Program Goals and Objectives

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Objective 1: Deepen understanding of the audience and context in New York State in order to design a locally relevant pilot intervention.

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Objective 2: Develop an effective online-to-offline interventions program for at-risk individuals in New York State, including a robust and context-responsive process for assessing the risk of vulnerable individuals referred to DEEP that preserves their privacy rights and civil liberties.

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Objective 4: Increase societal awareness of violent extremism and mobilization to violence by providing educational materials and resources to peers and families of individuals who demonstrate risk factors.

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Project Activities

The project comprises a series of activities that build on Moonshot’s ability to reach audiences at risk of extremism and targeted violence, and DEEP’s violence prevention expertise and programs, to enable both partners to fully understand the context for violent extremism and targeted violence in New York State. This will ensure the project navigates a range of technical, ethical and legal challenges that face online-offline interventions programs and ensure its success.

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Data Protection and Privacy

All interventions are voluntary and require consent from participants. DEEP and Moonshot anticipate that all documentation related to this project will be processed and stored in digital formats. All data collected by Moonshot is handled in accordance with the European Union General Data Protection Regulation (2016/679 EU) (“GDPR”), and search data collected does not contain personally identifiable information. With respect to personal information collected and processed during the online-offline referrals process, DEEP and Moonshot will conduct a comprehensive Privacy, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties Assessment prior to the design and launch of online campaigns. Moonshot also subjects its methodologies and projects to external audits and Human Rights Impact Assessments.

3. Organizations and Key Personnel

CCC / DEEP: The Citizens Crime Commission (CCC) is a non-government, non-profit organization charged with tackling the most vexatious crime issues of our time. Specifically, we work with high-risk individuals who are gang and gun involved, and have expanded into the terrorism prevention field. We understand that violence, and the behaviors driving it, are complex. We combine a diverse range of skills to tackle these complicated problems, utilizing a multidisciplinary approach to create robust, action-oriented solutions to prevent violence. Our unique staff is composed of behavioral specialists, criminal justice experts and researchers. Our diverse range of skills enables us to build out comprehensive initiatives that address the multifaceted nature of high risk behaviors. The CCC believes in the power of early intervention for sustained violence prevention. Over the past six years we have worked across NYC and NYS to enhance and expand youth gun violence prevention, focusing on developing community-based solutions that are proven to be effective and sustainable. We have strong working relationships with community-based organizations and government agencies, providing us insight and the ability to implement comprehensive solutions that stop gun violence and promote youths’ ability to transform their lives. Using our understanding of behavior that drives gun violence, trusting relationships with community-based organizations and ability to interface and drive government innovation, CCC has advanced the effectiveness of anti-violence models by designing and implementing tools, policies and programs such as a tailored, nuanced prevent violence database, social media interventions, leadership development trainings, community engagement strategies, job readiness programming and others. This history of work in the high-risk violence prevention and intervention space, perfectly positions us to continue and expand our work in the prevention of violent extremism and targeted violence. To achieve the sustained behavioral change that is critical in the prevention of targeted violence and violent extremism, a long-term intervention is needed, with length varying depending on the participant. The Citizens Crime Commission’s (CCC) DEEP Initiative fills this gap in the preventing violent extremism and targeted violence space. Building upon our years of designing and implementing intervention models, CCC has designed and is piloting a long-term model that ensures individuals at-risk of engaging in violent extremism or targeted violence have demobilized and become stabilized, productive members of society. DEEP must be multifaceted to deliver comprehensive work in preventing targeted violence and violent extremism. As such, we are working with Moonshot to reach and engage

with individuals online at-risk for targeted violence and violent extremism, and provide effective, tailored online and offline interventions for this population. Additionally, we are aware that violence prevention must happen on multiple levels. We are, therefore, also working with Moonshot to identify parents, siblings, teachers and peers, who are often the first to notice worrying behavior change in loved ones or others, to equip them with the tools and resources to help someone they are worried might be going down a path towards violent extremism or targeted violence.

Key Personnel

Clinical Director: The DEEP clinical director will provide clinical oversight and support for the team and ensure services provided meet professional standards. She/he will oversee the development and implementation of online and offline interventions. She/he will provide specialized psychological assessment services when needed, including overseeing threat and risk assessments conducted by the DEEP behavioral intervention specialists (BIS). The clinical director will work to determine the suitable kinds of staff needed for the online intervention and outreach, based on the ongoing results of our pilot.

Behavioral Intervention Specialist (BIS): BISs are Masters level mental health workers who have received formal training in the DEEP intervention. Their role is to provide support and monitoring in the process of disengagement and demobilization for participants. BISs may engage with individuals online and offline, depending on the individual's needs. In cases where individuals require an offline DEEP intervention, BISs will conduct a thorough eligibility assessment to evaluate the participant's needs and design a service plan that is in line with those needs, with support from the clinical director. The BIS will maintain regular contact with the participant, and support from the BIS may take the form of intervention meetings, check-ins, encouragement and assistance in enrolling in certain activities, and help connecting the participant to appropriate services if those are outside of services provided by DEEP. The BIS will coordinate all additional care from outside service providers and consult with these additional service providers.

Trained Interventionists: Trained interventionists will have the role of building the initial rapport with individuals online. They will engage with individuals online, provide online support and resources, and determine whether or not a higher level of engagement is necessary, such as with a BIS or otherwise. They will also facilitate the transition from online to offline interventions as needed, providing support and guidance through the process. Trained interventionists will be both/either voluntary/non-voluntarily personnel depending on the level and amount of referrals.

CCC President, Richard Aborn: The CCC president will provide strategic guidance, develop and manage relationships with external stakeholders and donors and publicly represent DEEP, along with the program director.

Program Director, Claire Abrahams: The program director will oversee all aspects of the initiative and will handle administrative and non-clinical leadership, working closely with Moonshot. The DEEP program director has a Masters specializing in security and counter terrorism, and has been working on the DEEP program as program director for the past three years.

Communications Specialist: The communications specialist will use their expertise to draft/advise on messaging to ensure the highest chance of engagement success. This is crucial as the Signals project will reach and communicate to individuals based on the sub-ideologies and

level of risk associated with their search activity, rather than broad based messaging. The communications specialist will have a background in communications or a similar field.

Outreach Specialist: The outreach specialist will engage with local providers to a) assess available resources, b) provide specialized training on behavioral indicators of mobilization to violent extremism and c) work with regional providers to determine what targeted outreach might be necessary in that locale, and create an outreach strategy.

Senior Advisor, Brette Steele: The Signals project senior advisor will play a crucial advisory role across the spectrum of the project, using her extensive experience in the terrorism and targeted violence prevention field to help shape and implement the project. The senior advisor has a long and robust history of work in terrorism prevention, including serving as Regional Director of the DHS Office of Terrorism Prevention Partnerships and Deputy Director for the U.S. Countering Violent Extremism Task Force.

Moonshot: Moonshot is a social enterprise working to end online harms by applying evidence, ethics, and human rights. They design and deploy new data-driven methodologies and technologies to enhance the capacity of their partners to effectively respond to a wide range of social issues in the online space. Moonshot's work ranges from software development, training and capacity building to leading global counter-messaging campaigns. For the past four years, Moonshot has conducted geospatial analyses of social media data related to risk and vulnerability to violent extremism across the United States. This data has been used at the highest levels within NCTC, DHS, DOJ, and the FBI, and has been held up in the U.S. Senate as an example of the kinds of mapping technologies required to evidence and prevent the threats posed by violent extremist groups online. Moonshot also specializes in delivering campaigns that link at-risk internet users with content and services which reduce their vulnerability and supports their disengagement from violent extremism. Originally piloted in 2015, Moonshot's flagship campaign methodology, the Redirect Method, has been deployed in over 30 countries, and across the United States since 2017.

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4. Sustainability

The CCC has a long track record of raising funds for new initiatives and to sustain existing initiatives. Our strong expectation is that once the Signals project is fully operational and has a track record, we are confident that we will be able to obtain local and state government support, as well as support from foundations and major donors. Over the first two years since DEEP's inception, we have already raised over \$100,000 to fund the planning phase of our DEEP initiative, and secured a FY20 TVTP DHS grant of \$741,878. The Signals project complements the work that we have been doing under the FY20 DHS grant, building on the expertise that we have developed with our DEEP intervention program, and now filling an additional critical component in terrorism and targeted violence prevention, in the online to offline intervention space. In addition to the funding sources outlined, we have also received smaller contributions. We are confident that we will be able to go back to all of these non-federal funding sources in the future, and raise funds to support this project as we demonstrate success in filling a gap in terrorism prevention. This program has been designed to sustainably conduct digital interventions programming for distinct at-risk audiences in New York State. (b)(4)

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(b)(4) iii) rigorous M&E that will provide lessons for future programming in New York and other US States. At the end of the pilot, Moonshot and CCC will have developed digital resources which will live on beyond the initial grant period. DEEP will own and be able to use these resources moving forward to support local interventions programming. (b)(4)

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5. Budget Detail and Narrative

BUDGET CATEGORY	FEDERAL REQUEST (\$)
Personnel	354,875
Fringe Benefits	70,975
Travel	0
Supplies	0
Contractual	344,371.38
Other	0
<i>Total Direct Costs</i>	<i>770,221.38</i>
Indirect Costs	0
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	770,221.38

The total project cost is \$770,221.38. The Signals project is a New York based program. New York is among one of the highest cost of living states¹⁰ with reflective salaries and fringe benefits in a competitive market. The CCC is working with Moonshot as a contractor based on their specialized expertise to work on this project with us.

Personnel: \$354,875 The personnel costs include the salaries of all key personnel, as discussed in *Section 3 - Organization and Key Personnel* of this proposal. As the Signals project is a New York-based program, the salaries are reflective of New York-market wages for the respective roles and specialists. Program Director 100% FTE for Year 2 only, \$70,000; Clinical Director 50% FTE, \$59,890; BIS 50% FTE, \$50,350; Trained Interventionist 50% FTE, \$36,570; Communications Specialist 100% FTE, \$20,000; Senior Advisor 5% FTE for Year 2 only, \$18,065; Outreach Specialist 100% FTE, \$100,000.

Fringe Benefits: \$70,975 Fringe benefits, .2 for all personnel. Program Director \$14,000; Clinical Director \$11,978; BIS \$10,070; Trained Interventionist \$7,314; Communications Specialist \$4,000; Senior Advisor, \$3,613; Outreach Specialist, \$20,000.

Travel: \$0

Supplies: \$0

Contractual: \$344,371.38

Moonshot: \$344,371.38, 24-month period. Full line-item budget on page 68, Appendix E.

Other: \$0

Indirect Costs: \$0

Total Project Costs: \$770,221.38 Addition of all costs: Personnel total \$354,875; Fringe benefits \$70,975; Travel \$0; Supplies \$0; Contractual \$3344,371.38; Other \$0; Indirect costs \$0. Total: \$770,221.38

¹⁰ <https://worldpopulationreview.com/states/cost-of-living-index-by-state/>

Appendices

Appendix A – IMP

Organization Name	The Citizens Crime Commission
Project Title	The Signals Project
Grant Number	DHS-21-TTP-132-00-01
Grant Implementation Period:	24 months: 10/01/2021 to 09/30/2023
Reporting Period:	Quarterly: Jan 30; April 30; July 30; October 30

Project Goal Statement

The goal of this program is to engage with isolated and vulnerable individuals (b)(4) (b)(4) at-risk of committing violent extremism or targeted violence, *and* achieve their demobilization from violence *through* tailored online to offline interventions, enabling long term behavior change. (b)(4)

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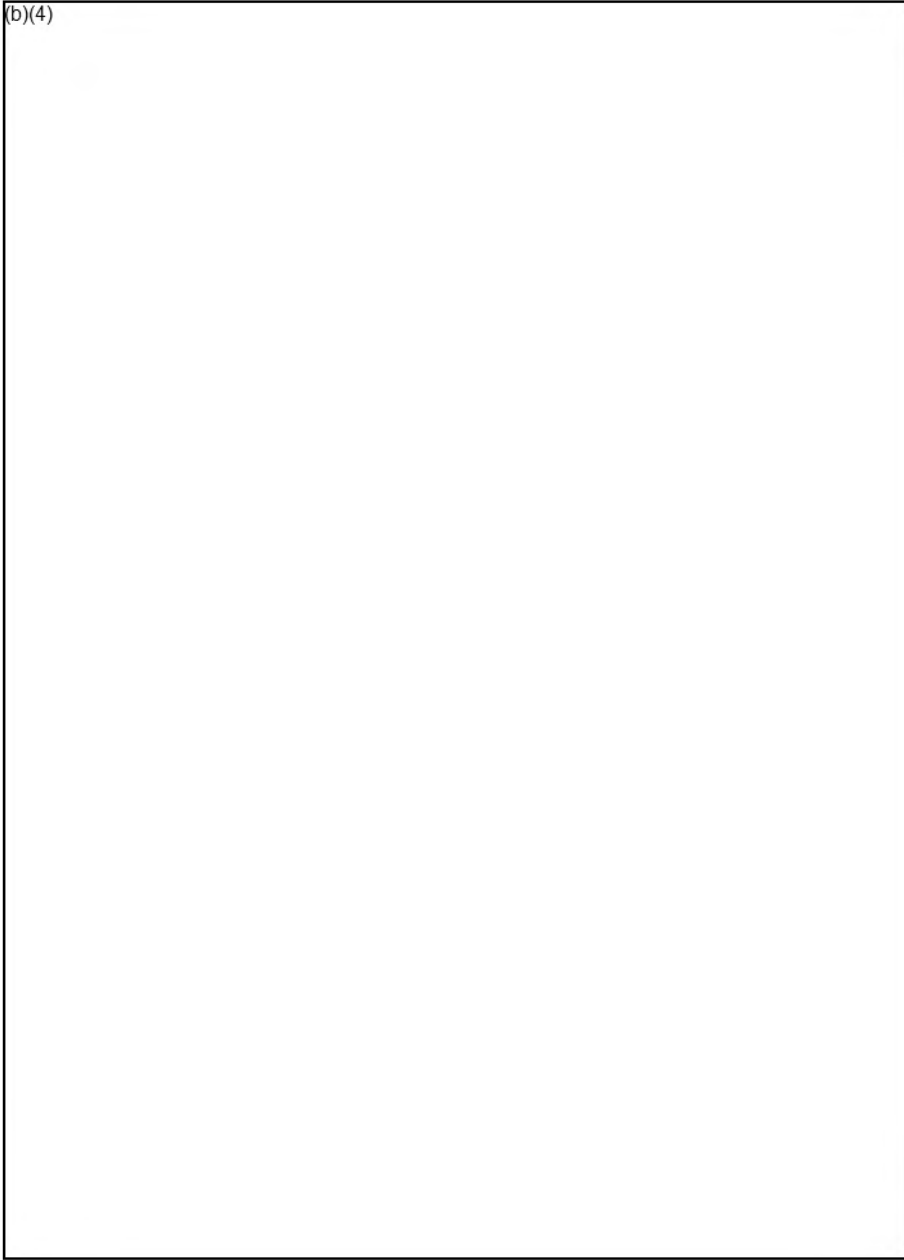
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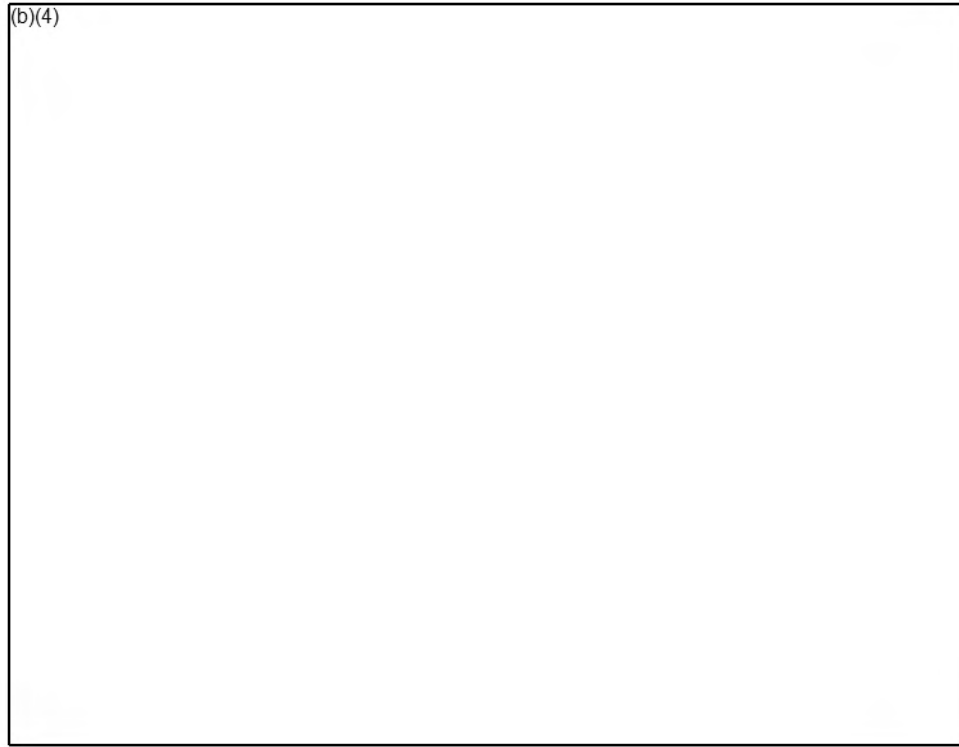
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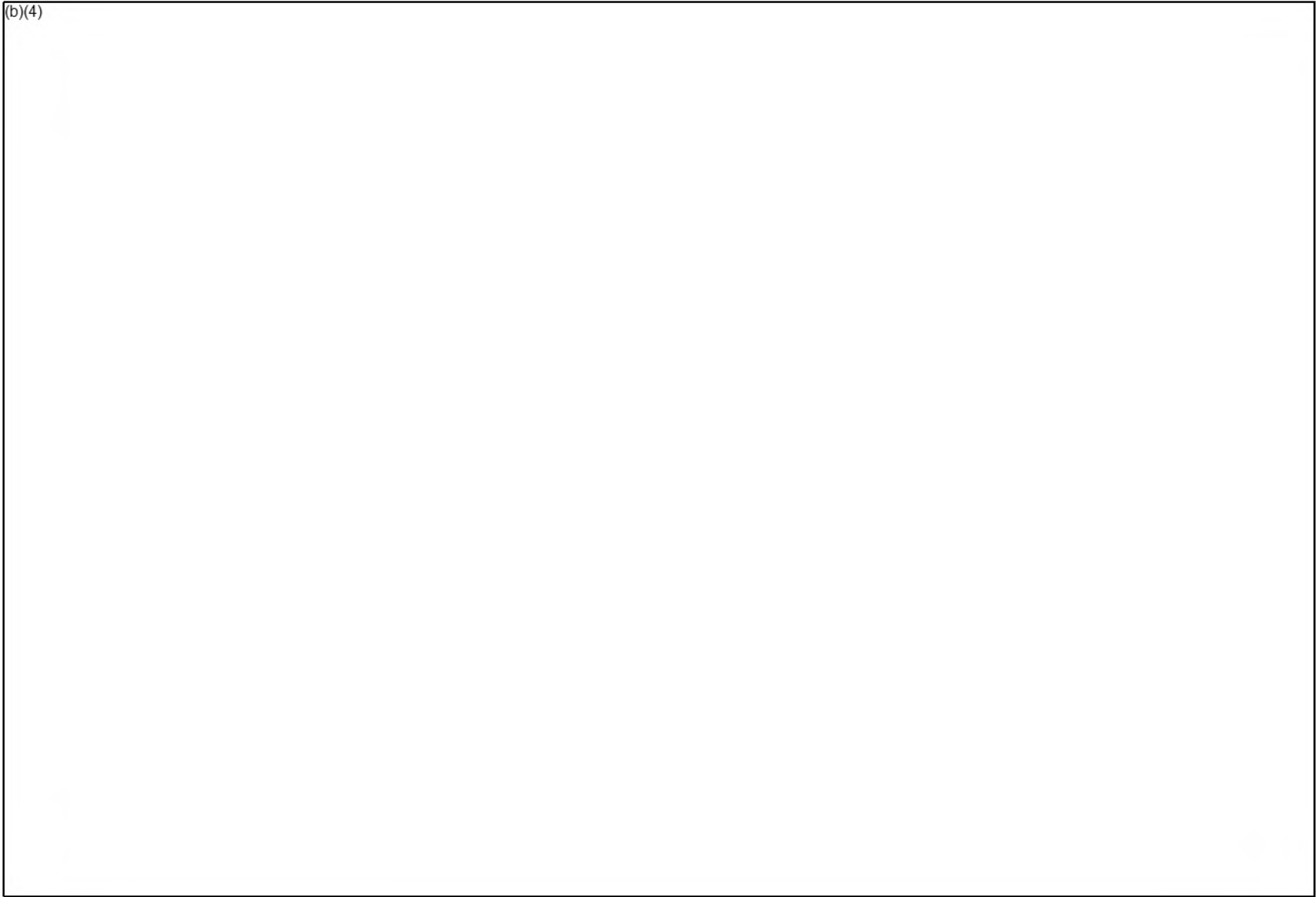


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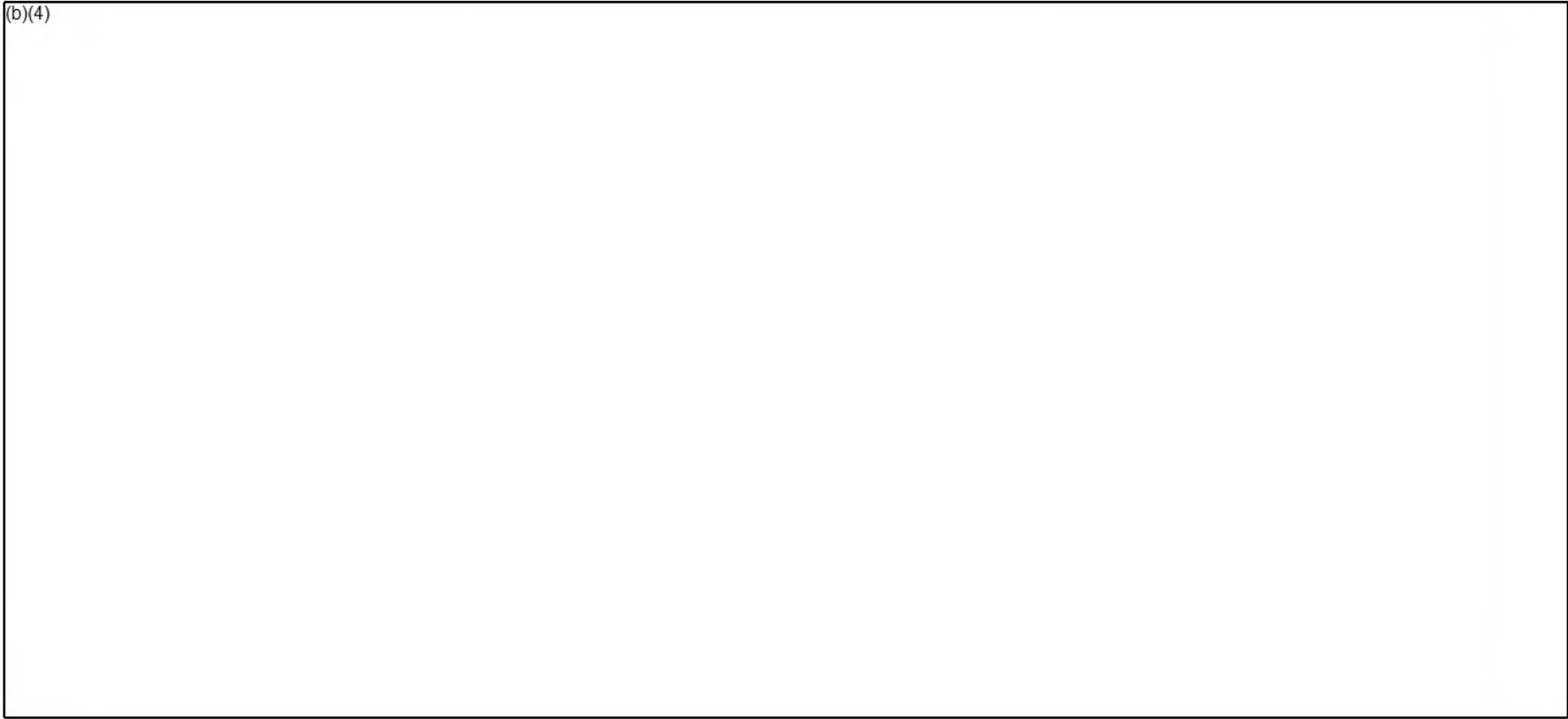
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Risk Mitigation Plan

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Appendix B - Resumes/CVs of Key Personnel

CLAIRE ABRAHAMS

New York, N.Y.

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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2018-Present **Program Director, DEEP**

Citizens Crime Commission of New York City

- Lead, develop and manage the DEEP Initiative
- Develop and build out DEEP into a comprehensive, multi-faceted initiative
- Manage staff in all non-clinical matters
- Collaborate and work with government agencies, civil society and the private sector to develop and implement programs
- Liaise between government agencies and across government and non-government actors
- Assess the landscape of programming/resources and work to fill gaps
- Engage in research and translate findings into program developments
- Obtain and manage funding grants
- Recruit and hire staff
- Work on a Unites States Supreme Court Amicus Brief

2017-2018 **Program Director, Disruption and Early Engagement, DEEP**

United States Attorneys' Offices, Eastern District of New York

- Lead and develop the DEEP program as the founding private sector partner working the United States Attorneys' Offices, Eastern District of New York (EDNY)
- Work EDNY to develop, lead and launch the DEEP program, working specifically with the Chief, National Security and Cybercrime Section, EDNY
- Liaise and coordinate with all government and law enforcement partners
- Run and coordinate working groups with 60+ participants across multiple government agencies
- Strategize around effective case management and planning with law enforcement, Prosecution and Defense
- Liaise between government agencies and across government and non-government actors
- Work with participants and their families to find and provide necessary resources and services
- Produce and present presentations on program development and updates to a variety of government audiences
- Work with top law firms to establish pro bono representation for DEEP participants

2012

Intern, Penn, Schoen, Berland, Washington DC

- Immersed in the process of opinion polling for high profile political campaigns
 - Work in a target-driven, corporate-research environment, gaining insight into how political actors gauge public perception, and adapt their message accordingly
- 2010 **Intern, Charles Stanley Stockbroking and Investment**
- Gain an understanding of securities, investment strategy, the basis on which valuations are made, and how stocks are traded

EDUCATION

- 2015-2017 **Columbia University, MA International Relations**
- Specialized in Security and Counter-Terrorism
 - Classes included: Modern Urban Terrorism / Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism / National Security Strategies of the Middle East / Middle East Conflict and Global Security / Intelligence and Special Operations / Central Issues in American Foreign Policy
- 2011-2014 **University of Cambridge, Trinity College, BA (Hons), MA Cantab, Politics, Psychology, Sociology**
- Specialized in Politics and International Relations
 - Graduated, 2.1 class degree

PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 **U.S. Department of State Bureau of Counterterrorism and U.S. Department of Justice ICITAP**
- Present at the Policing for Countering Violent Extremism Symposium co-hosted by the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Counterterrorism, U.S. Department of Justice ICITAP, and Hedayah on “Wraparound or Prevention Programs: Responding to Radicalized Youth.”
- 2019 **Global Counterterrorism Forum (GCTF)**
- Take part in the GCTF's CVE Working Group as the New York representative at this global forum.
- 2019 **International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP)**
- Present at the annual IACP conference on a panel entitled “Terrorism Prevention Through Community Policing: Mistakes Made and Lessons Learned”
- 2018 **Brookings Institute**
- Present at a conference on, "Federalized Approaches to Addressing Violent Extremism: Good Practices, Innovations, and Challenges."
- 2018 **Harvard Law School**
- Present at Harvard Law School to practitioners’ roundtable, discussing DEEP and prevention and intervention programs.
- 2017 **American Jewish Committee (AJC) Counselors' Council**
- Present on DEEP at AJC's Counselors' Council in New York City.
- 2017 **National Counter Terrorism Centre (NCTC)**
- Present on a panel on early intervention programs.

RICHARD M. ABORN
PRESIDENT

Richard M. Aborn is president of the Citizens Crime Commission of New York City, a non-partisan non-profit organization with multidisciplinary expertise that works to improve public safety through innovation. At the Crime Commission, Mr. Aborn advances strategies to improve the justice system, strengthen gun policies and practices, prevent youth gun violence, and prevent cybercrime.

Under Mr. Aborn's leadership, the commission has been instrumental in passage of several laws in New York including legislation to expand the use of DNA evidence to convict the guilty and exonerate the innocent, a comprehensive gun violence reduction package, known as the NY SAFE Act, and legislation increasing the penalty for carrying an illegal loaded firearm in the state.

The commission also works with law enforcement, government agencies, community-based organizations, and academia to implement effective, comprehensive strategies to prevent crime. Mr. Aborn led the design and implementation of New York City's "Project Fast Track," bringing together the New York City Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice, the NYPD, the NY Office of Court Administration, local prosecutors and others to swiftly investigate and prosecute firearm offenders. He also brought the NYPD and FBI together to establish a first-of-its-kind joint strike force tasked with preventing two of the fastest-growing crimes in the city: identity and high-end electronics thefts. In partnership with the FBI, a new NYPD grand larceny unit with 300 officers investigates criminal rings that steal and re-sell smartphones and tablet computers, as well as perpetrators of online financial crimes.

Also under Mr. Aborn's leadership, the commission launched the Predictive Prevention Lab, an incubator to develop predictive prevention solutions to enhance the effectiveness of crime prevention through behavior change. The commission partnered with researchers at New York University to develop a program, called E-Responder, rooted in proven conflict resolution strategies, which trains community-based anti-violence professionals to interrupt conflicts on social media before the conflict escalates into real-world violence. In addition, the commission partnered with Carnegie Mellon University and the University of Pittsburgh to create an intelligent tutoring system that builds internet users' resilience to phishing attacks.

Mr. Aborn is frequently relied upon by the media and government officials as an independent and objective expert on criminal justice issues. He has held appointments on the Independent Commission on New York City Criminal Justice and Incarceration Reform, New York State Juvenile Justice Advisory Group, New York State Bar Association's Task Force on Wrongful Convictions, and the transition teams of the New York State Attorney General, NYPD Commissioner, Brooklyn District Attorney, and Bronx District Attorney. And he has provided informational sessions for visitors from around the world who are interested in learning more about effective crime prevention strategies, including representatives from Argentina Ministry of Security; Colombia Ministry of Justice; Denmark Ministry of Justice; United Kingdom Home Office, Ministry of Justice, Northern Ireland Office, Secret Intelligence Service (MI6), Parliament, Police Service of Northern Ireland, London Metropolitan Police, and London Mayor's Office; and the Uruguay Ministry of Interior.

In his role at the Crime Commission, Mr. Aborn draws on his extensive experiences in law and policy. Mr. Aborn began his legal career as an Assistant District Attorney in the Manhattan District Attorney's office where he prosecuted major felonies, including homicides, from 1979 until 1984.

While serving as president of Handgun Control, Inc. from 1992 to 1996 (now the Brady Campaign), the leading gun control advocacy organization in the United States at the time, he was one of the principal strategists behind the passage of the landmark Brady Bill mandating background checks on firearm purchasers and legislation banning assault weapons and large-capacity ammunition magazines. At the same time, Mr. Aborn also served as president of the Center to Prevent Handgun Violence, where he worked with the New York City public school system to develop a first-of-its-kind program to reduce gun injuries as part of the curriculum. During his tenure at the Center, he also established a research division to evaluate and supervise studies evaluating the impact of gun control legislation.

Mr. Aborn has played a central role in several campaigns and investigations. In 1999, Mr. Aborn was commissioned by New York City to conduct an investigation of the New York City Police Department's (NYPD) disciplinary system, as well as its response to civilian complaints of misconduct. This multi-year investigation resulting in numerous recommendations to reduce police misconduct received extensive media coverage and support. Mr. Aborn was also commissioned to investigate the NYPD's disciplinary decisions concerning the officers involved in the fatal shooting of Amadou Diallo, an unarmed individual shot 41 times by police.

As the senior law enforcement advisor to the Democratic candidate for Mayor of New York in 2001, he developed a comprehensive criminal justice policy for the City of New York that provided for greater coordination of governmental agencies in order to reduce crime and recidivism; the use of advance technology for police officers; increased focus on gun violence; and the establishment of a "311" program to better manage government community relations. He also urged much greater cooperation and interaction between city agencies. Known as "silo busting", Mr. Aborn sought to break down the barriers that exist within government hampering greater efficiency.

In addition to his work at the Crime Commission, Mr. Aborn serves as president of CAAS LLC, which advises police departments, criminal justice agencies, corporations and other organizations in the United States, Latin America and Europe on criminal justice policy, violence reduction and Rule of Law issues. He is also one of the managing partners of the international law firm Constantine Cannon and serves on the Board of Directors of several non-profit organizations.

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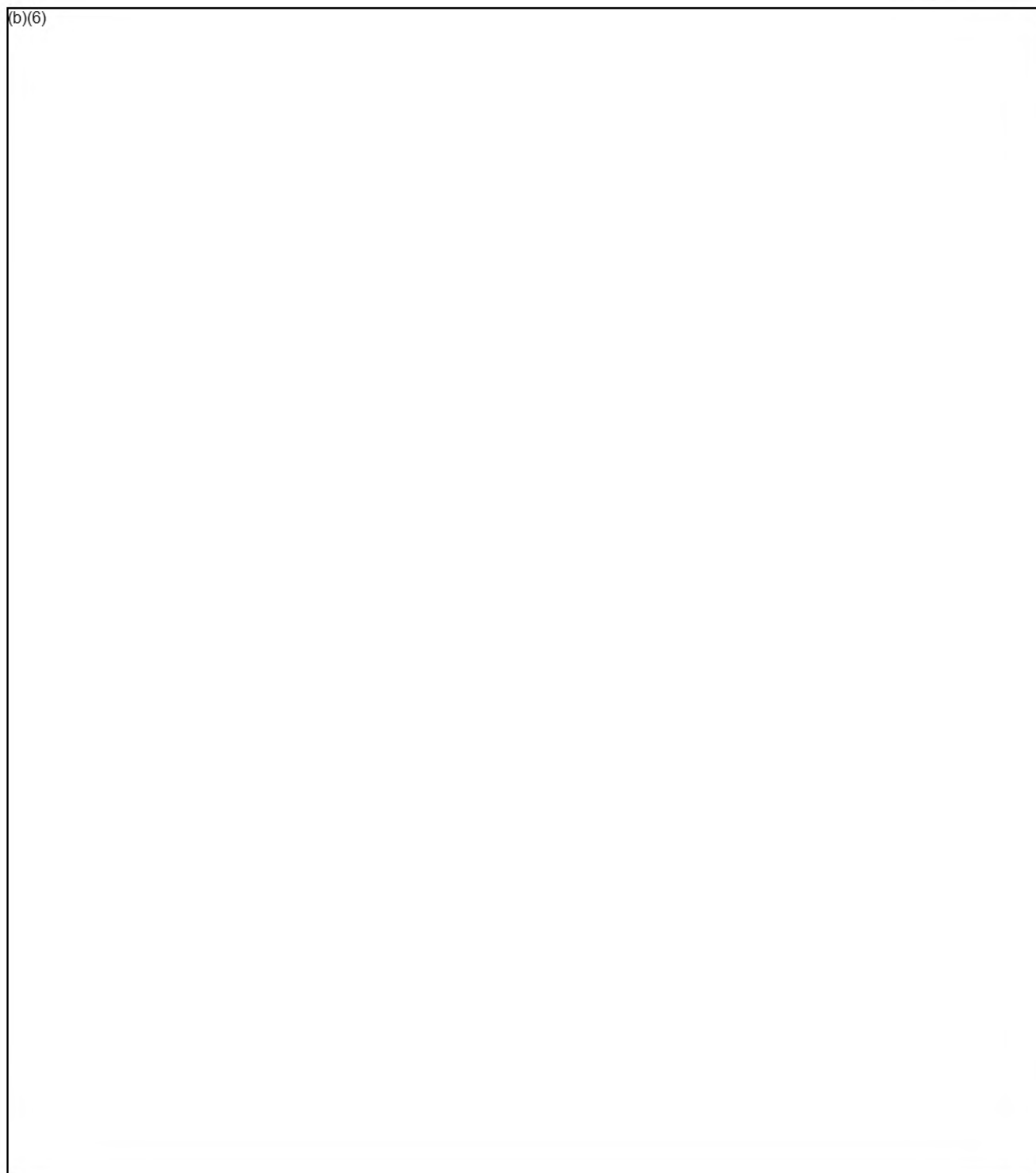
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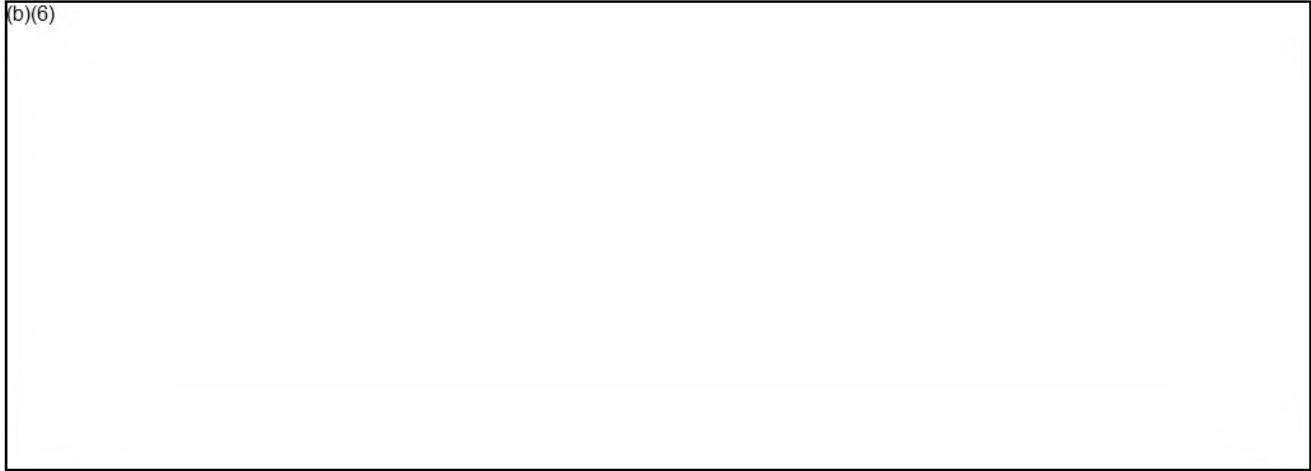
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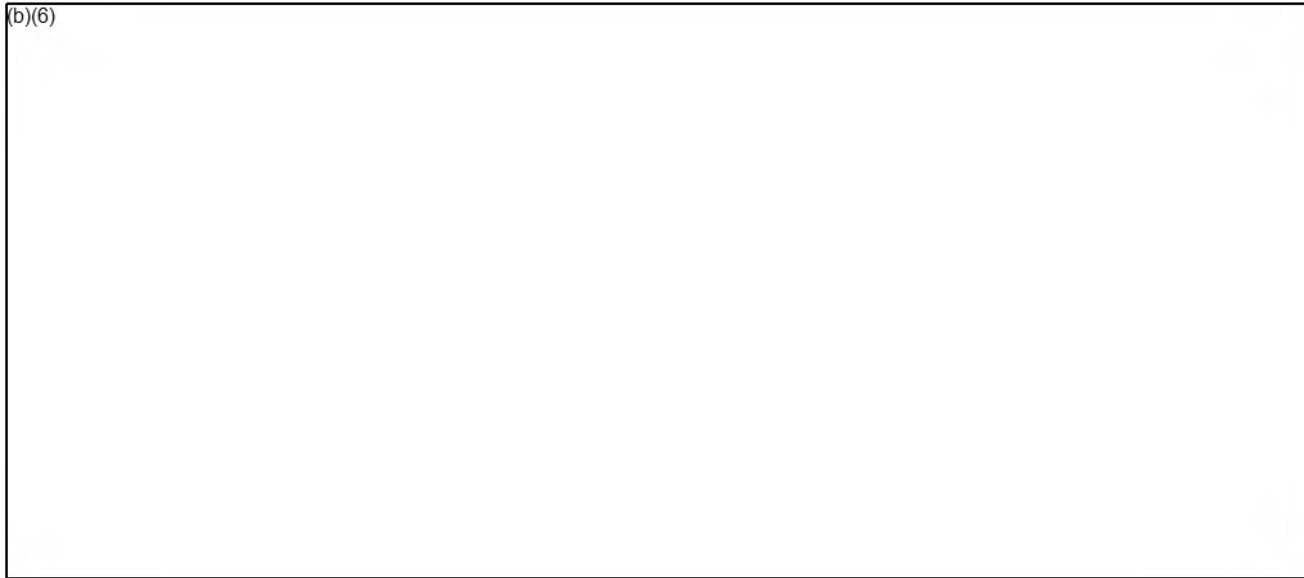



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Appendix C – Documentation of Commitment/Support



May 21, 2021

Richard Aborn
President
The Citizens Crime Commission of New York City

Reference: Notice of Funding Opportunity - DHS-21-TTP-132-00-01

Dear Richard,

Please accept this letter of support for the Citizen Crime Commission of New York City's grant application submitted for the Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention (TVTP) Grant Program: Innovation Track on behalf of Moonshot CVE. It confirms our interest in partnering with the CCC on this project.

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Moonshot's mission is to end online harms, applying evidence, ethics, and human rights. We design and deploy new methodologies and technologies to enhance the capacity of our partners to respond to online threats and offer interventions programming to at-risk individuals, and specialize in data-driven responses to extremism and disinformation. Our projects currently address a number of online social issues, including mental health, gender-based violence, violent misogyny, political violence, violent jihadism, far-right racism and xenophobia, misinformation and disinformation, and anti-vaccination. Our experience with extremist audiences ranges from research, monitoring and analysis to capacity building and pioneering new forms of global counter-messaging.

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Thank you for your consideration of the CCC's innovative proposal to address terrorism and targeted violence in New York State.

Sincerely,

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Director
Moonshot CVE



May 18, 2021

Richard Aborn
Citizens Crime Commission of New York
335 Madison Ave #9
New York, NY 10017

Dear Richard,

I am pleased to confirm my commitment to join in the Citizens Crime Commission of New York's application for the Department of Homeland Security's Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention Grant Program. I have a close working relationship with both the Citizens Crime Commission of New York and your partner, Moonshot CVE. I am excited to collaborate with you to match the unparalleled online targeting capacity of Moonshot CVE with the clinically-informed intervention capacity of the Citizens Crime Commission. I expect that this approach of reaching people at risk online and connecting them to local services will be a model for programs across the country.

If awarded, I commit to play an integral role advising on program design and communications strategy for this cutting edge initiative. I serve as Senior Director of Preventing Targeted Violence at the McCain Institute for International Leadership. In this role, I am building a nation-wide practitioners' network, managing Invent2Prevent, and advising state and local governments on targeted violence prevention initiatives. Previously, I served as Regional Director of the DHS Office of Terrorism Prevention Partnerships, established and served as Deputy Director for the U.S. Countering Violent Extremism Task Force, and coordinated all terrorism prevention initiatives across the U.S. Department of Justice. In these capacities, I have developed subject matter expertise and an appreciation for evidence-informed program design. I am committed to working with the Citizens Crime Commission and Moonshot CVE to ensure that this initiative draws from the latest research as well as practical lessons learned.

I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

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Brette Steele

Senior Director of Prevention & National Security
McCain Institute for International Leadership

Appendix D – Letters of Recommendation



POLICE DEPARTMENT

May 17, 2021

Department of Homeland Security
FY2021 Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention Grant Program

To whom it may concern,

This letter is in support of the Citizens Crime Commission's application for funding under grant application DHS-21-TTP-132-00-01.

One of the most vexing challenges we face in our collective efforts to prevent terrorism and targeted violence is to reach socially isolated individuals who may be mobilizing toward extreme violence unbeknownst to anyone. Developing a means to contact these individuals and effectively engage with them to accept an intervention designed to deter them from further mobilization is critical. It is clear from the past ten years in our nation that undeterred, certain individuals will engage in acts of extreme violence predicated on web based recruitment or the availability of false and extreme narratives that encourage violence.

Effectively reaching socially isolated individuals will require an innovative approach to engagement carried out in the space where these individuals mostly operate – the internet. This is a task best left to the community and we are very pleased to learn of the Crime Commission's idea around engagement online providing both online resources and online to offline engagement designed to stem the process of mobilization. This is a critical task.

We are also very pleased and supportive of the Crime Commission's additional effort to reach those that may know of a person mobilizing online. Friends, families, loved ones, acquaintances, and others, when properly guided to recognize warning signs and given the right support, may be in the best position to help intervene with an individual is mobilizing toward extremist violence.

We know that these are not easy tasks, but the Crime Commission has a long history of successfully tackling difficult complex issues and we believe they are the right organization to take on these challenges.

Best regards,

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Rebecca Ulam Weiner
Assistant Commissioner, Intelligence Bureau
New York City Police Department

DATA COLLABORATIVE FOR JUSTICE**AT JOHN JAY COLLEGE****STRENGTH IN NUMBERS**

*Preeti Chauhan, PhD.
Director, Data Collaborative for Justice
John Jay College of Criminal Justice
524 West 59th Street
New York, NY 10019*

May 17, 2021

To whom it may concern,

This letter is in support of the Citizens Crime Commission's application for funding under grant application DHS-21-TTP-132-00-01.

Through my work as an Associate Professor in Psychology at John Jay College of Criminal Justice and the Graduate Center, City University of New York and the Director of the Data Collaborative for Justice, I have come to know the work of the Citizens Crime Commission quite well. We have collaborated on a number of projects together and we often use forums hosted by the Crime Commission to present findings of various research projects.

The Crime Commission has a well-deserved strong reputation for developing effective, innovative ideas to address complex violence. Their work around gun and gang violence is well known, as is their growing reputation in the extremist and targeted violence space. The Crime Commission's success is seated in the methodology they employ to develop and implement ideas. Starting with a gap analysis, they survey a given area to determine where there are gaps in the provision of services. The Commission's staff is a unique combination of different professionals including researchers, behaviorist, and criminal justice experts providing the Commission with a broad view of problem solving. Once they have developed a concept to address the gap, they then use data and careful planning, followed by disciplined piloting and evaluation which greatly enhances the chances of success of their programming. Moreover, they have very deep partnerships throughout government and most importantly throughout the community. These partnerships are a vital component of their success. Smartly, the Commission involves both government and the community in the planning and piloting phases of any new project, providing an opportunity to each to shape a project and develop buy-in and a sense of ownership. This careful ground work helps ensure the sustained viability of the Commission's projects.

Richard Aborn, the Crime Commission's president and I have discussed their Signals Project, the subject of this grant application. It is precisely the sort of innovative idea, designed to address a particularly complex issue for which the Commission is known and for which it has a high rate of success.

I would urge DHS to support the Crime Commission's application for funding.

Best,

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Preeti Chauhan, PhD



May 17, 2021

To whom it may concern,

I am pleased to support the application of the Citizens Crime Commissions for funding under grant application DHS-21-TTP-132-00-01.

- Chief Executive Officer/President**
Joel Copperman
- Chief Financial & Administrative Officer**
Rebecca Asbury
- General Counsel/Secretary**
Marla Tepper
- Chief Strategic Initiatives Officer**
Ann-Marie Louison
- Chief Medical Officer**
Elizabeth Ford, MD
- Chief Development & Communications Officer**
Loyal Miles
- Chief Human Resources Officer**
Lara Hartman
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Meredith Turner

CASES, a NYC \$40 million not-for-profit organization which I run as president, focuses on providing alternatives to incarceration for individuals involved with the criminal justice system. Among other things, CASES operates the Nathaniel Clinic which provides mental health counseling to those involved in the criminal justice system. For many years I have been aware of the Citizens Crime Commission of New York City and its well-earned reputation for effective crime prevention initiatives. More recently, CASES partnered with the Crime Commission on its DEEP initiative - an effort to help individuals mobilizing toward extremism escape that lifestyle with a tailored behavioral health intervention.

We partnered with the Crime Commission because I know of the rigorous manner in which they go about creating new programming, as well as the follow-up research they conduct. They are creative problem solvers who are thoughtful, careful, precise and methodological. They understand both the traditional violent crime space as well as terrorism. They have been long time proponents of bringing mental health services into the crime prevention arena because they understand the intersection between mental health and criminal offending.

We are all aware of the dangers online extremism presents, especially to those who, for many reasons, may be swayed by the rhetoric available online. Mitigating online extremism presents unique challenges. Effectively reaching individuals mobilizing online with mental health services is difficult. Richard Aborn and I have discussed the Crime Commission's Signals Project and it appears to have a substantial chance at succeeding in this important endeavor.

It is my hope that the Crime Commission's grant application will be approved. The Signals Project will both help advance the cause of preventing terrorism as well as advance the understanding of the critical need to bring mental health services into the realm of criminal and pre-criminal conduct. It is one of the ways that we can reduce both the threat, and the reality of, violence.

Very truly yours,

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Joel Copperman

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Appendix E – Moonshot Line-Item Budget

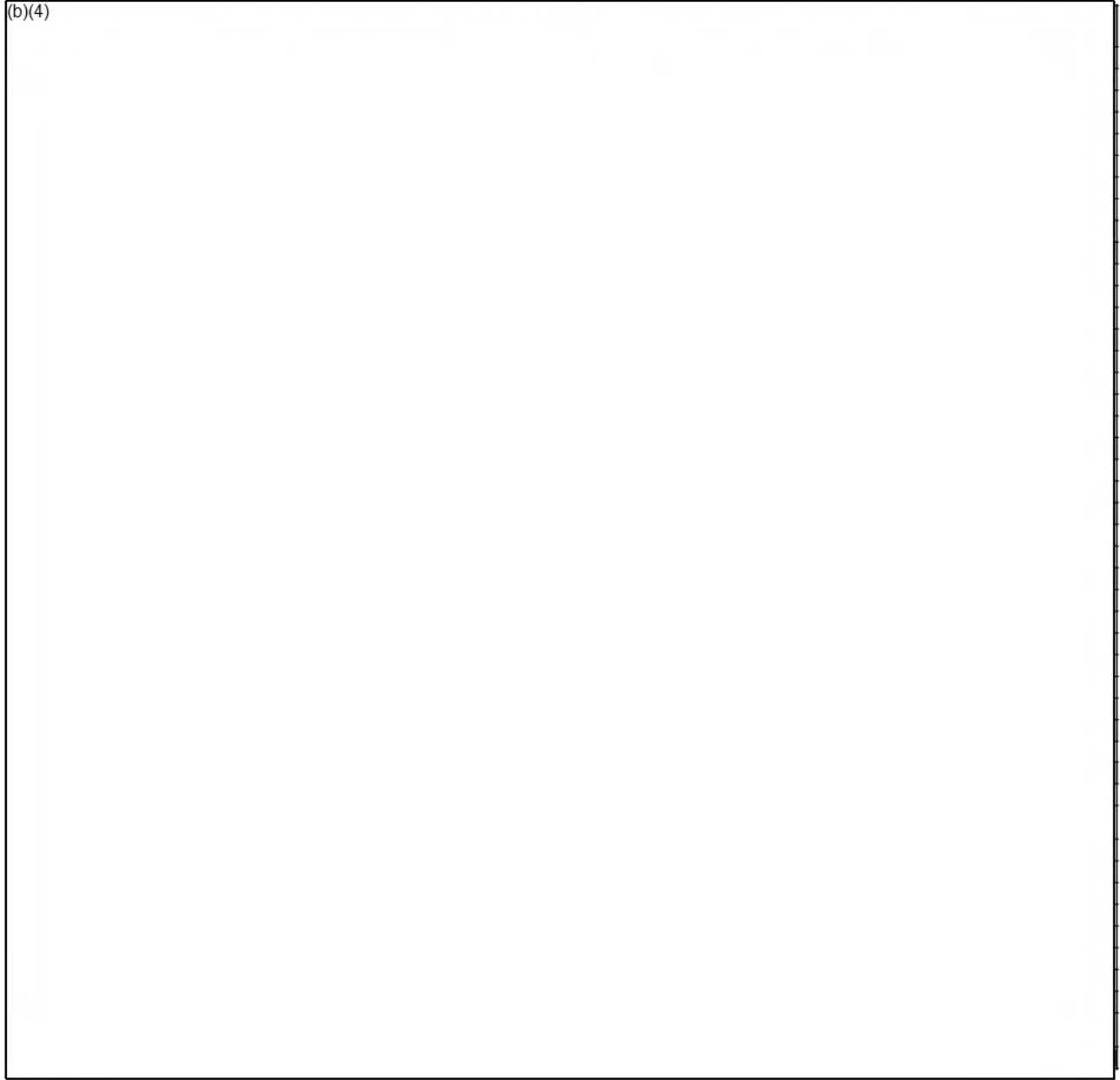
LINE-ITEM BUDGET

Organization Name: Moonshot CVE

Project Title: Countering Violent Extremist Radicalization and Targeted Violence through Interventions in New York State

Project Duration: 24 Months

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EMW-2021-GR-APP-00103

Application Information

Application Number: EMW-2021-GR-APP-00103

Funding Opportunity Name: Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention (TVTP)

Funding Opportunity Number: DHS-21-TTP-132-00-01

Application Status: Pending Review

Applicant Information

Legal Name: Citizens Crime Commission of New York City

Organization ID: 21734

Type: Nonprofit having 501(c)(3) status with IRS, other than institutions of higher education

Division:

Department:

EIN: (b)(6)

EIN Shared With Organizations:

DUNS: 114455850

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Congressional District: Congressional District 12, NY

Physical Address

Address Line 1: 355 Madison Ave.

Address Line 2: Floor 9

City: New York

State: New York

Province:

Zip: 10017-[Grantee Organization > Physical Address > Zip 4]

Country: UNITED STATES

Mailing Address

Address Line 1: 355 Madison Ave.

Address Line 2: Floor 9

City: New York

State: New York

Province:

Zip: 10017-[Grantee Organization > Mailing Address > Zip 4]

Country: UNITED STATES

SF-424 Information

Project Information

Project Title: Citizens Crime Commission Signals Project - Innovative Solutions for Preventing Targeted Violence and Terrorism through Online to Offline Interventions

Program/Project Congressional Districts: Congressional District 01, NY

Congressional District 02, NY

Congressional District 03, NY

Congressional District 04, NY

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Proposed Start Date: Fri Oct 01 00:00:00 GMT 2021

Proposed End Date: Sat Sep 30 00:00:00 GMT 2023

Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): NY State

Estimated Funding

Funding Source	Estimated Funding (\$)
Federal Funding	\$770221
Applicant Funding	\$0
State Funding	\$0
Local Funding	\$0
Other Funding	\$0
Program Income Funding	\$0
Total Funding	\$770221

Is application subject to review by state under the Executive Order 12373 process? Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

Is applicant delinquent on any federal debt? false

Contacts

Contact Name	Email	Primary Phone Number	Contact Types
Richard Aborn	(b)(6)		Secondary Contact
Claire Abrahams			Primary Contact Authorized Official Signatory Authority

SF-424A

Budget Information for Non-Construction Programs

Grant Program: Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention Grant Program

CFDA Number: 97.132

Budget Object Class	Amount
Personnel	\$354875
Fringe Benefits	\$70975
Travel	\$0
Equipment	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Contractual	\$344371.38
Construction	\$0
Other	\$0
Indirect Charges	\$0
Non-Federal Resources	Amount
Applicant	\$0
State	\$0
Other	\$0
Income	Amount
Program Income	\$0

How are you requesting to use this Program Income? [\$budget.programIncomeType]

Direct Charges Explanation:

Indirect Charges explanation:

Forecasted Cash Needs (Optional)

	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
Federal	\$	\$	\$	\$
Non-Federal	\$	\$	\$	\$

Future Funding Periods (Years) (Optional)

First	Second	Third	Fourth
\$	\$	\$	\$

Remarks:

SF-424C

Budget Information for Construction Programs

Assurances for Non-Construction Programs

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Signatory Authority Name: Claire Abrahams

Signed Date: Tue May 25 14:51:42 GMT 2021

Signatory Authority Title: Claire Abrahams, Program Director

Certification Regarding Lobbying

Form not applicable? false

Signatory Authority Name: Claire Abrahams

Signed Date: Mon May 24 00:00:00 GMT 2021

Signatory Authority Title: Claire Abrahams, Program Director

Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

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Signatory Authority Name: Claire Abrahams

Signed Date:

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