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 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY RESILIENCE



Tirzah F. Kemp
Director

May 22, 2026

Honorable Tyisha Walker-Myers
 President, Board of Alders
 City of New Haven
 165 Church Street
 New Haven, CT 06510

Dear Honorable Walker-Myers,

The Department of Community Resilience’s Office of Violence Prevention requests approval to extend the originally approved Community Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative federal award from the Office of Justice Programs for an additional year. These funds will allow us to continue to enhance the City’s Pathway for Reintegration, Engagement, Strategy, and Support (PRESS) which seeks to reduce gun violence by targeting and serving those at highest risk for being involved. The organizations included in this opportunity, 4-CT, Goodwill of Southern New England, University of New Haven, and Connecticut Violence Intervention Program are uniquely positioned to continue the implementation of our violence prevention strategies for the City of New Haven as a part of this award as well as a part of our broader efforts to address gun violence and reduce recidivism holistically in our community.

The contract extension will begin on approximately July 1, 2026 and extend through September 30th, 2027, as per the funding source. The total funds for this extension are \$679,362.07

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Please contact me at 203-946-4978 if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

McKenna Booker
 Coordinator, Office of Violence Prevention
 Department of Community Resilience



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