



Tom Barrett
Mayor, City of Milwaukee

August 22, 2014

Alderman Joe Davis, Sr.
Chair
Community and Economic Development Committee

Dear Committee Chairman Davis:

I am writing in regards to the **One Summer Plus Pilot Program**; a pilot program being advanced by Community Advocates and funded by the State of Wisconsin.

Mayor Barrett supports the pilot and has directed staff to work with Community Advocates and other community stakeholders to insure that the One Summer Plus Pilot initiative has every opportunity to succeed.

As you are aware, Mr. Clifton Crump from our office made the trip to Chicago to see and hear first-hand how One Summer Plus was implemented and how the program is currently being evaluated. Mr. Crump will serve as the Mayor's liaison to Community Advocates and the other community partners during the One Summer Plus pilot phase.

From the Milwaukee Area Workforce Investment Board to our many partners, including our Youth Build affiliate agencies and Earn and Learn employers to the Milwaukee Fatherhood Initiative, MPS and the Milwaukee County Juvenile Justice system, there are individuals and resources we can help connect to the planning and implementation phases of the pilot.

Planning for the One Summer Plus Pilot Program will begin in September and I have informed Community Advocates staff that the Mayor's office would be more than willing to have representation on the planning committee and that other individuals from the Administration would be available if so desired.

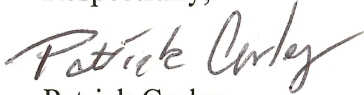
The One Summer Plus Program could fit nicely with the efforts being undertaken by the Black Male Achievement Advisory Council, co-chaired by Alderman Ashanti Hamilton and Mayor Barrett and also, quite possibly, with the My Brother's Keeper Initiative when and if appropriate.

The One Summer Plus Pilot planning team will have numerous options to consider as the program is implemented and evaluated.

Upon completion of the implementation and evaluation phases, Mayor Barrett would give serious consideration to funding the One Summer Plus Program in the next CDBG cycle.

I thank you for your continued interest in the One Summer Plus Pilot Program and am hopeful that, together, we can successfully work with Community Advocates.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patrick Curley".

Patrick Curley
Chief of Staff

Cc: Members of the Milwaukee Common Council
Mr. Stephen Mahan
Ms. Andi Elliot, Community Advocates