Subject: Transition to New Grant Cycle and Financial Bridge



United Way of Linn, Benton & Lincoln Counties

Dear Partners.

We are writing to inform you about some changes we will be implementing regarding our grant cycles and funding distribution processes at The United Way of Linn, Benton, and Lincoln Counties. After careful consideration and assessment of our operations, we have decided to align our fiscal year with our giving campaign calendar fiscal, starting in 2024. This decision has been made to better synchronize our funding disbursement with our campaign year, which also operates on a calendar year basis. This alignment will enable us to streamline our processes and ensure more effective utilization of resources.

As part of this transition, we will be pausing our 2024-2025 grant cycle, which would typically run from July 2024 to June 2025, and implementing a new grant cycle. This new grant cycle will be effective from January 2025 to December 2025. We believe that this adjustment will not only facilitate smoother operations for both our organization and our grantees but also enhance the overall impact of our programs.

Additionally, we understand that the transition to a new grant cycle may pose some financial challenges for our grantee partners, particularly in terms of cash flow. While we are transitioning and refining our approach, we want to assure you that our commitment to supporting the community remains unwavering. We recognize the importance of your initiatives and the impact they have on our collective well-being. As we move forward, we are actively mobilizing resources to continue fostering growth, innovation, and collaboration within our community. Your dedication inspires us, and we are here to support you every step of the way and we will continue to support the community until the commencement of the new grant cycle in January 2025.

We are committed to working closely with our grantee partners throughout this transition process and will provide additional support and guidance as needed. Our aim is to minimize any disruptions and ensure a smooth transition for all parties involved.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we move forward with these changes. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the transition to the new grant cycle or the financial bridge, please do not hesitate to contact Kevin Manske, President/C.E.O at kevin@uwlbl.org or 541-619-7275. We value our partnership with your organization and look forward to continuing our collaboration in the future.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to our shared mission and goals.

Sincerely,

Kevin Manske

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