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CHARLES STEWART
MOTT FOUNDATION

November 11, 2025

The Honorable Melvin Carter, III
Mayor, City of St. Paul
15 Kellogg Boulevard West
St. Paul, MN 55102-1635

Project: Upper Midwest CSA Consortium
(Grant No. 2023-12100)

Dear Mayor Carter:

We are pleased to inform you that the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation has approved a grant in the amount of $490,000 to the City of St. Paul for the above-referenced project for the period January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2027.

Grant Payments

This grant will be paid upon receipt of your acceptance as follows:

$390,000 on January 1, 2026
$100,000 on March 1, 2027

Payments are conditioned upon the Mott Foundation's receipt and approval of all reports due prior to the payment date. (See the "Reports" section of this letter.)

This letter or your proposal may set forth specific goals or objectives that your organization expects to achieve during the grant period. For accounting purposes, the Mott Foundation is not requiring that your organization achieve any specific goal or objective as a condition (or barrier) to your receipt and retention of the grant funds, except for the following:

- No conditions.

The Mott Foundation reserves the right to discontinue, modify, or withhold any payments that might otherwise be due under this grant or any other outstanding grant, to require a refund of

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any unexpended grant funds, or both, if, in the Mott Foundation's judgment, any of the following occur with respect to this grant or any other grant from the Mott Foundation to your organization:

1. Grant funds have been used for purposes other than those contemplated by this commitment letter.

2. Such action is necessary to comply with the requirements of any law or regulation affecting either your organization's or the Mott Foundation's responsibilities under the grant.

3. Your organization ceases to conduct this project, or circumstances change such that it becomes impractical or impossible for you to carry out this project.

4. Your organization's performance under this grant has not been satisfactory, as determined by the Mott Foundation in its reasonable discretion. Although the Mott Foundation expects your organization to work toward achieving the goals and objectives described in your proposal, unless a specific condition (or barrier) is identified above, the failure to obtain any specific goal or objective will not, alone, be cause for the Mott Foundation to determine that your organization's performance has not been satisfactory, but may be relevant in determining whether your overall performance has (or has not) been satisfactory.

5. The Mott Foundation has not received and approved all reports due from your organization prior to the payment date.

The Mott Foundation's judgment on these matters will be final and binding.

Mott Foundation Contact Person and Resources

Please direct all correspondence and questions relating to this grant to Benita Melton, Program Director - Education.

For general information regarding Mott Foundation grant procedures and other grant related questions, we encourage you to visit the Grantee Resources section of our website at www.mott.org/grantee-resources.

Another resource available to grantees is the Grantee Portal. The Grantee Portal provides real-time information on your grant's reporting requirements and due dates. By using the Grantee Portal, you may view a copy of this commitment letter, download copies of forms, and upload required reports directly to the Mott Foundation. For more information about the Grantee Portal, contact your program officer or login at https://mott.fluxx.io. The grant's primary project contact, Melvin Carter, can login at https://mott.fluxx.io with their registered email address.

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Use of Grant

Under United States law, Mott Foundation grant funds may be expended only for charitable, scientific, literary, religious, or educational purposes, as specified in section 170(c)(2)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. This grant is to be expended solely in support of the objectives detailed in your proposal submitted August 28, 2025.

Your organization shall not, directly or indirectly, engage in, support or promote violence or terrorist activities.

Your organization confirms that this project is under its complete control. Your organization further confirms that it has and will exercise control over the process of selecting any consultant, that the decision made or that will be made on any such selection is completely independent of the Mott Foundation, and further, that there does not exist an agreement, written or oral, under which the Mott Foundation has caused or may cause the selection of a consultant.

Mott Foundation grant funds may not be used for lobbying expenditures.

Mott Foundation grant funds may not be used for re-granting to secondary organizations except for payments for travel, lodging and tuition (and reimbursement for these purposes).

Your organization may charge this grant only for expenditures incurred or services performed during the grant period specified in this letter.

Your organization may charge this grant only for line item expenditures that were included in your approved budget as referenced in the "Reports" section of this letter. The addition of new line items must have the prior written approval of the Mott Foundation.

Grant Accounting

Your organization is required to maintain financial records for expenditures and receipts relating to this grant, retaining these records and other supporting documentation for five years after the grant's termination date.

Your organization is also required to permit the Mott Foundation to have reasonable access to your files, records and personnel during the term of this grant and for five years thereafter for the purpose of making financial audits, verifications, or program evaluations.

Unless a specific condition (or barrier) is listed in the "Grant Payments" section of this letter, the Mott Foundation does not intend, in its own financial statements, to treat this grant as a "conditional contribution" described under Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2018-08. Your organization should make its own determination as to how to account for this grant in your financial statements and is not required (under FASB ASU 2018-08) to adopt the same accounting treatment as the Mott Foundation.

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Reports

The Mott Foundation requires the following reports to be submitted for this grant:

Report Type:	For Period Ending:	Due on or Before:
Interim Report	December 31, 2026	February 1, 2027
Final Report	December 31, 2027	February 1, 2028

The report must include the following parts, which must be submitted together:

1. A **narrative report** summarizing what was accomplished by the expenditure of funds during the reporting period. Your grant proposal indicated that your organization will work toward achieving certain goals and objectives during the grant period, and the narrative report should include a description of progress made toward achieving the following reporting objectives:

   - Convene stakeholders virtually and in person to build and deepen relationship building and information sharing across the region.
   - Provide and/or facilitate ongoing technical assistance within and outside the consortium.
   - Stoke demand for additional children's savings account (CSA) programs throughout the Midwest, with a specific emphasis on Ohio and Wisconsin.
   - Lead regional, collaborative field-building efforts in the Midwest region.
   - Support Midwest CSA in navigating the federal landscape related to Trump accounts.
   - Support broader field building projects in collaboration with other consortium members and CSA practitioners across the Midwest.
   - Track the scope of CSA programming across the Midwest, including the number of initiatives.
   - Participate in a Mott Foundation supported effort to assess progress and impact of the children's savings account field.

2. A **financial report** showing the approved budget, expenditures against each line item since the start of the grant, and balances remaining (or overruns) for each line item. For the final report, you must explain all overrun variances that exceed both one thousand dollars ($1,000) and 10% of the budgeted line item amount.

   Your organization must report against the approved budget of $490,000 submitted on September 25, 2025 (which may be greater than the amount of the Mott Foundation grant). If the approved budget covers multiple years, each report should include cumulative expenditures since the beginning of the grant period. The report must also include a summary of all funding received for this project (listed by source and grant period).

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Unless a specific condition (or barrier) is listed in the "Grant Payments" section of this letter, the Mott Foundation is not requiring that your organization achieve any of the reporting objectives listed above as a condition (or barrier) to your receipt and retention of the grant funds. Rather, the reporting objectives are meant to capture your progress in achieving the goals and objectives identified in your grant proposal.

Reports and other grant requirements should be submitted online via the Mott Foundation's Grantee Portal. A default portal account has been setup for the primary project contact. The project contact can login at https://mott.fluxx.io with their registered email address. Please contact your program officer if you need assistance or to change the project contact. Standard reporting templates and other forms are available for download via the Grantee Portal.

Undisbursed Funds

Your organization is required to return any undisbursed project funds on a prorata basis to the Mott Foundation within two months after the end of this grant. The prorata refund is computed by multiplying the total undisbursed project funds by the ratio of Mott Foundation funding to total funding received for this project for the grant period. Any refund of less than $100 will be waived.

Compliance with Laws

Your organization may not use any portion of the grant funds to undertake any activity for any purpose other than one specified in section 170(c)(2)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code. Further, the Mott Foundation reserves the right to discontinue, modify, or withhold any payments that might otherwise be due under this grant or to require a refund of any unexpended grant funds if, in the Mott Foundation's judgment, such action is necessary to comply with the requirements of any law or regulation.

Public Information

The Mott Foundation will include information on this grant in its periodic public reports. The Mott Foundation also welcomes grantees to make announcements of grants upon return of this signed commitment letter. A copy of any release should be sent to the Mott Foundation's Communications Department prior to its dissemination. The department is available to provide assistance in your communications efforts.

Acceptance

This letter contains the entire agreement between your organization and the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, and there are no conditions or stipulations, oral or written, governing the use of the grant funds other than those contained in this letter.

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If your organization agrees to the grant conditions as stated, please **sign and return, via DocuSign**, one complete copy of this letter **with an electronic signature** of an appropriate representative of your organization in the space provided. In countersigning this letter, this individual represents to the Mott Foundation that he/she has the authority to sign this letter on the organization's behalf.

This grant may be withdrawn if the Mott Foundation has not received your acceptance within one month from the date of this letter.

On behalf of the Mott Foundation, I would like to extend our best wishes for the success of this endeavor.

Sincerely,

Signed by:
Kevin Perkins
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Kevin Perkins
Vice President-Administration and Secretary/Treasurer

KP:sc

Our organization acknowledges that appropriate personnel have read and understand this letter, that its terms and conditions are acceptable to us, and that we will comply with those terms and conditions.

Name of Grantee: City of St. Paul

Printed Name of Authorized Signer: Jaime Rae Tincher

Authorized Signature: Signed by: Jaime Rae Tincher E1612D7DC3D6478...

(This must be an original signature of an authorized representative of the organization.)

Title: Deputy Mayor

Date Signed: 12/1/2025