



Lebanon County Criminal Justice Advisory Board

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Members of the Commission:

This letter is to certify that the members of the Lebanon County Criminal Justice Advisory Board (LCCJAB) offer their support for a grant application under the following initiative:

Availability of County Intermediate Punishment (IP) Funds for 2015/2016

An award of grant funding under this initiative will enable the County of Lebanon to continue two effective components of its Intermediate Punishment (IP) Plan: the Renaissance-Crossroads Program for Levels 3 and 4 drug and alcohol-dependent offenders; and electronic monitoring/house arrest for participants in the Crossroads program and other eligible (Levels 3 and 4) offenders. We support these approaches to Intermediate Punishment because they keep the inmate population at the Lebanon County Correctional Facility at manageable levels by giving offenders a viable alternative to incarceration.

The Renaissance-Crossroads program is instrumental in providing the kind of intensive treatment and supervision that offenders with drug/alcohol addictions need to get their lives back on track and become law-abiding citizens. Since its inception in 2001, Renaissance-Crossroads has had much success, demonstrating the kind of effective public-private partnership that is worthy of continued support from the Commonwealth. Incarcerating offenders without treating the addictions related to their criminal conduct benefits no one. Without continued funding, Renaissance-Crossroads would cease to exist, resulting in dire consequences for those whose only hope is the kind of treatment and rehabilitation this program offers.



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We verify that members of the Criminal Justice Advisory Board have been notified of the issuance of this letter and have thus granted us authorization to sign in their stead.

Sincerely,

Signature

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Lebanon County District Attorney
Chairman, Lebanon County Criminal Justice Advisory Board

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