

March 12, 2024

County Executive Chris Ronayne  
Cuyahoga County Administrative Headquarters  
2079 E 9th St.  
Cleveland, OH 44115  
RE Letter of Commitment for Cuyahoga County CPRG Implementation Grant Submission

Dear Executive Ronayne,

I am writing on behalf of the George Gund Foundation, in support of Cuyahoga County, the City of Cleveland, and the City of Painesville's Climate Pollution Reduction Implementation Grant for the deployment of clean electricity and nature-based solutions, in alignment with the PCAP measures submitted by the Northeastern Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) for the Cleveland-Elyria Metropolitan Statistical Area.

The CPRG Implementation Grant submitted by Cuyahoga County, in coalition with the City of Cleveland and the City of Painesville, is an innovative and transformative project that will generate clean and renewable energy through brownfield development and municipal utility clean energy deployment, as well as other nature-based solutions that will dramatically reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve low-income energy burden, and improve outdoor air quality.

Climate mitigation is a key focus of the Foundation's grantmaking. The Foundation has provided operating and technical assistance support to most of the partners involved in this project and I will continue to be engaged as a member of the project management team.

Our organization's support will help enable this coalition to achieve success because of our experience and expertise in building cross-sector partnerships representing a diverse coalition of stakeholders and by providing grant support for various components of this project.

The Foundation is committed to reducing greenhouse gas emissions throughout our region through sustainable partnerships and innovative solutions that are inclusive of the values of all Northeastern Ohioans.

Sincerely,



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