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Dear Mr. Gamble,

During its 2011 National Conference, *Children's Justice & Safety: Unite, Build, Lead*, the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) will recognize the extraordinary efforts of juvenile justice practitioners, civil servants, community members and organizations, and youth themselves to prevent delinquency and improve public safety.

OJJDP has chosen the Community Alliance for Progressive Positive Action (CAPPA) to receive its **Organization of the Year Award**, which recognizes the significant contribution of a delinquency prevention organization toward improving the juvenile justice system. The awards committee was impressed by the results that CAPPA has achieved through its afterschool and weekend programs for Williamsport youth. Your efforts to increase academic performance, change attitudes toward violence, encourage positive thinking, improve social competence, and provide recreational and artistic opportunities among participating youth are truly inspiring.

Please accept our invitation to join us as our special guest at OJJDP's National Conference, which will run from October 12-14, 2011, at the Gaylord National Hotel and Convention Center in National Harbor, Maryland. The awards ceremony will take place on Friday, October 14, at 10:30 a.m. during a town hall meeting featuring award winners, Attorney General Holder, and other federal leaders. We hope your schedule permits you to be with us as we recognize CAPPA's accomplishments and service to the community. For more information, please call Scott Pestridge at OJJDP at (202) 514-5655 to discuss an itinerary for your participation at this event. For more information on this year's conference, go to www.ojjdp.gov/2011conference.

Congratulations, and thank you for your service to your community and the juvenile justice field. We look forward to having you join us in October.

Sincerely,

Jeff Slowikowski
Acting Administrator