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Dear representative from Somerville Arts Council,

It is our pleasure to inform you, on behalf of the Baker-Polito Administration, that your Collaborative Workspace project has been selected for a grant in the amount of \$61,610.

Our administration is committed to the growth of innovation ecosystems around the Commonwealth, as we indicated in the Opportunities For All Plan and bill, which we filed in 2015. As part of that commitment, we highlighted Collaborative Workspaces as hubs that often catalyze community, and inspire collaboration, explorations and experimentation among members. We know they are often at the center of activity and we feel that your project can play a vital role in the advancement of innovation within your community.

This was a very competitive grant process, with 68 proposals from collaborative workspaces around the Commonwealth competing for a total of \$2,200,387, so choosing your project should indicate to you that we believe strongly in the work you are doing and growth trajectory you are planning to undertake with this project.

On a logistical note, please be advised that this award letter does not constitute a contract with the Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development or MassDevelopment for the grant award specified above. A member of the MassDevelopment staff will contact you directly to discuss the specific requirements related to this award, as well as next steps. The grant award is not final until you have executed a contract with MassDevelopment.

Please know that we are proud to be able to support your project as we work together to grow the innovation economy of Massachusetts in every corner of the Commonwealth.

Congratulations!

Sincerely,

Charles D. Baker
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