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TO: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
By Email: FOIARequests@cdc.gov

RE: FOIA Request; Fee Waiver Requested

Dear Sir/Madam:

Liberty Unyielding and the Bader Family Foundation (a non-profit 501(c)(3)) hereby request the following records pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA):

1. All drafts of the CDC Community Violence Prevention Resource for Action created or updated since July 15, 2023.
2. All emails since December 5, 2023 with the Daily Caller or any representative of the Daily Caller (such as Robert Schmad) about any draft or final documents about community violence prevention, including any CDC Community Violence Prevention Resource for Action or any Community Violence Prevention Resource.
3. All emails since December 5, 2023 with any news media entity about any draft or final document about community violence prevention, including any CDC Community Violence Prevention Resource for Action or any Community Violence Prevention Resource.
4. All emails or memos since June 1, 2023 about whether any documents about community violence prevention, including any CDC Community Violence Prevention Resource for Action or any Community Violence Prevention Resource, satisfy the peer review standards developed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), or Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).
5. All emails or memos since June 1, 2023 about whether any documents about community violence prevention, including any CDC Community Violence Prevention Resource for Action or any Community Violence Prevention Resource, satisfy the requirements of the Data Quality Act or the Information Quality Act or the HHS Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality, Objectivity, Utility, and Integrity of Information Disseminated to the Public.
6. All emails since February 1, 2023 about the effect of structural racism on community violence.
7. All emails since February 1, 2023 about the effect of punitive measures, including incarceration, on community violence.
8. All emails since June 1, 2023 about community violence prevention or any resource on community violence prevention sent or received by Cassidy Whitson, Tom Simon, Marilyn Metzler, Denise D'Angelo, Phyllis Ottley, or Mabel Woghiren.

Please produce all covered records generated through the date on which you process this request (that is, conduct a search for responsive records), not merely through the earlier date on which this request was received. The cut-off date for this request is the date on which you conduct a search for responsive records, not the earlier date you receive this FOIA request.

Please produce the records in electronic form, including any metadata.

We request that fees not be charged for anything other than duplication (and also not for the copying costs of the first 100 pages of duplication) because Liberty Unyielding is a blog that qualifies news media; I am a media representative.

Since 2012, Liberty Unyielding has published daily & has thousands of published articles & readers. <https://www.similarweb.com/website/libertyunyielding.com> (showing blog has thousands of readers); <https://libertyunyielding.com> (blog front page); <https://libertyunyielding.com/page/876/> (showing 876th page of articles).

Courts ruled that bloggers qualified as media entities, even though they blogged less than Liberty Unyielding. *See Cause of Action v. FTC*, 799 F.3d 1108 (D.C. Cir. 2015). Liberty Unyielding is read and quoted by other media entities. *See* Editorial, *Democrats need voters to forget the economy and other commentary*, New York Post, July 8, 2019, <https://nypost.com/2019/07/08/democrats-need-voters-to-forget-the-economy-and-other-commentary/> (quoting “Hans Bader” of “Liberty Unyielding”).

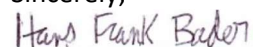
Liberty Unyielding has posted and publicly disseminated records obtained through FOIA requests, resulting in news stories that disseminated the records further. *See, e.g.,* Ashe Schow, [*Biden Administration Knew Its Racial Preferences For COVID Relief Were Unconstitutional, Went Ahead Anyway*](#), Aug. 21, 2021 (quoting & linking to such records released in response to a Liberty Unyielding FOIA request).

Subjects related to the requested records have been the subject of news coverage, which illustrates the newsworthy nature of the requested records. *See* Robert Schmad, *EXCLUSIVE: CDC Champions Addressing Racism, ‘Injustices’ Over Jailing Criminals To Prevent Violence*, Daily Caller, Jan. 5, 2024, available at <https://dailycaller.com/2024/01/05/cdc-criminal-justice-community-violence/>.

Thus, disclosure of the records will significantly contribute to public understanding of Federal Government operations or activities. The records will not promote any commercial interest of the requesters.

I declare under penalty of perjury under 28 U.S.C. 1746 that the facts stated above are true and correct.

Sincerely,



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