

KENNETH ARMSTRONG COMMISSIONER PUBLIC SAFETY

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Congressman Andy Barr Lexington District Office 2709 Old Rosebud Road, Ste. 100 Lexington, KY 40509

Dear Congressman Barr:

Please accept this letter of support regarding efforts to obtain much needed funding to address the reentry issues countless residents face on a daily basis in our community.

A lack of resources and funding hampers the ability of programs like the Barrier Free Reentry and Recovery Initiative to properly address overall community needs. Proper and well-funded efforts in a reentry program can not only provide much needed help to those taking part in the initiative, but it can also help reduce crime, reduce pressures on our medical care system, and actually reduce the overall amount of tax dollars needed to address issues related to poor or no reentry efforts in the long run.

I have had the distinct pleasure and honor to work with a number of the people who will be involved in efforts this funding will support, and I find them to be both dedicated to their cause and truly trying to make things better for all involved. Their work in this matter has been fruitful to this point and with additional funding, I am sure they will have an even greater impact.

I would like to thank you for considering the request before you and I ask that you support this incredible effort.

Sincerely,

Ken Armstrong

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government

Commissioner of Public Safety

