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The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
State House, H-107
Annapolis, Maryland 21401-1991

The Honorable Michael E. Busch
State House, H-101
Annapolis, Maryland 21401-1991

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Dear Senator Miller and Delegate Busch:

Pursuant to Article 41 Section 6-805, § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Governor's Office for Children on behalf of the Maryland After-School Opportunity Fund Executive Committee is providing the FY 2005 annual report for the Fund.

If you have any questions about the report, please feel free to contact my office.

Sincerely,


Arlene F. Lee
Executive Director

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**Report to the Legislature on the
Maryland After-School Opportunity Fund Program
FY 2005**

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Introduction

In 1999, the Maryland General Assembly created the Maryland After-School Opportunity Fund Program (MASOFP) because of their concern that the decrease in school-connected extracurricular activities, combined with rising numbers of unsupervised youth, could lead to increased juvenile crime. This program provided \$10 million for after-school programs across the state. A formal description and evaluation of the MASOF Program was conducted by the University of Maryland, Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice (College Park) during FY 2001-2003, with the final report being submitted to the Governor's Office of Children, Youth and Families in June 2004. As required by Article 41 Section 6-805, the Governor's Office for Children submits the following report describing the MASOF Program for July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005.

Description of the Maryland After-School Opportunity Fund Program in FY 2005

Since the Maryland After-School Opportunity Fund Program was not funded in FY 2005, there are no activities to report.

**Pursuant to Article 41 § 6-805
SB 632/Ch. 585, 1999
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