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Dear Supporter,

This year, we were proud to celebrate Millennial Action Project’s fourth anniversary! MAP has grown substantially since we launched in 2013. The Congressional Future Caucus has expanded and added new leadership, our Future Caucus model has spread to 20 state legislatures; and we have reached millions through our efforts to tell the stories of young leaders bridging the partisan divide.

While we are proud of what we have accomplished in the last four years, there is still much to do to keep moving this work forward. We know that the Millennial generation has the potential to disrupt the political polarization and gridlock plaguing Congress and state legislatures. The more we can amplify the voices of those creating a new governing paradigm, the more we can truly create a narrative shift around the power of political collaboration.

As we move into the new year, I look forward to continuing to work with all of you to further our mission and move towards a tradition of bipartisan cooperation.

You are essential to creating a brighter future for millennials across the country, and I am eager to continue affecting change.

Onward,

Steven Olikara
President and Founder

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MISSION

Millennial Action Project has an audacious mission: to bridge the partisan divide by engaging young leaders around future-focused solutions to our nation’s problems. Our goal is to re-establish political cooperation across parties and defeat the polarization and gridlock that is holding back our government and our country. Our generation has a unique opportunity to forge a new path and lead our nation into the future, which is why MAP is committed to activating our nation’s youngest generation of leaders and lawmakers.

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We spent the last year doubling our national footprint by launching caucuses in AL, AR, FL, GA, IN, MS, NC, NE, WI and WA. In total, MAP has organized future caucuses and announced leadership in 20 states. This is a monumental period of development for the Millennial Action Project and we look forward to continued success of the program.
The State Future Caucus Network (SFCN) is the national group of 40 and under state legislators committed to post-partisan policy innovation through millennial leadership in state legislatures across the country. Over the past year, the State Future Caucus Network, a number of state caucuses, is increasingly finding ways to engage state legislators across political and state lines. There are numerous factors that contribute to the success of the SFCN.

**LAUNCHING A NEW STATE CAUCUS**

1. Cultivate caucus leadership and members
2. Identify the young members of legislature
3. Develop interest and support for the caucus
4. MAP President and State Caucus Director meet with caucus leadership
5. MAP introduction on House and Senate floors
6. Host networking reception for caucus members and community groups
7. Create local partnership opportunities
   a. Grassroots groups (e.g. young professionals)
   b. Chamber of Commerce
   c. Sponsorship recruitment
8. Host press conference to announce the caucus
9. Provide all caucus members with MAP talking points and launch toolkit
10. Add members to State Future Caucus Network Facebook group
11. Facilitate conversation, bill shares, and town halls among local constituents

**In 2017, we launched 10 new State Future Caucuses**

**LEGISLATION**

Caucus Network has doubled in the number of state caucuses and is increasingly finding ways to engage state legislators across political and state lines. Numerous factors that contribute to the success of establishing and sustaining a future caucus. To ensure success of the State Future Caucus Network, MAP staff remains committed to:

- Identifying and cultivating relationships with forward thinking young leaders
- Providing networking discussions for elected officials, and local community groups, to discuss nonpartisan policy development
- Elevating the narrative and highlighting the success of bipartisan future-oriented governing.

STATE FUTURE CAUCUS NETWORK
What’s Next for the State Future Caucus Network?

- Building national partnership opportunities in 2018
- Developing the State Future Caucus legislative resources
- Establishing caucuses in at least 30 states by the end of 2018
- Achieving a national presence in legislatures of all 50 states in 2020
Millennials have low confidence in our political system, but state legislators around the country are fighting to make that system more accountable, transparent and functional. States are working to draw fairer districts and make it easier for all citizens to register and get to the polls. Young lawmakers are embracing the fundamentals of American democracy and reaching across party lines to preserve the country’s founding ideals. Beyond that, they are adjusting to a changing campaign finance landscape and leveraging new technologies for civic participation and government transparency.

**June 2017 Colorado**
Colorado Rep. Dan Pabon (D), one of the Future Caucus Co-Chairs, sponsored SB 40. This legislation requires that public records be made available in searchable, sortable digital formats unless security or privacy restrictions prevent their dissemination. This bill takes government transparency into the digital age.

**May 2017 Indiana**
Indiana Future Caucus Co-Chair Rep. Dave Ober (R) joined 13 other lawmakers from both sides of the aisle in sponsoring HB 1470. This bill established a state data officer and management performance hub charged with collecting, analyzing and disseminating state agency data.

MAP’s young legislators are continuously bridging divides by collaborating to identify opportunities for bipartisan future-oriented policy development. To highlight their success, MAP created a “State Future Caucus Legislation” interactive resource to provide examples of areas where our legislators are creating change.

Legislation included in this resource is bipartisan, future-oriented, millennial-led, and championed by one or more members of the respective state’s Future Caucus.

In addition to expanding the Future Caucus movement across the country, MAP has prioritized strengthening organizational relationships with current caucuses and increasing caucus engagement. State Future Caucuses have been innovative in organizing a variety of types of events, including reverse town halls with college students, whiskey and bourbon tastings, luncheons with young professionals groups and millennial local elected officials, and hiking trips.
STATE FUTURE CAUCUS NETWORK HIGHLIGHTS
MAP’s work is building a leadership pipeline among Future Caucus members - including 10 legislators who ran or announced candidacy in 2017 for higher office.

Future Caucus members worked across the aisle on many bipartisan pieces of legislation in 2017, including:

Louisiana Future Caucus co-chair Rep. Ted James (D) sponsored a bill that would “ban the box” on college applications in Louisiana, opening the door to higher education for formerly incarcerated individuals.

Illinois Future Caucus Co-Chair Rep. Will Guzzardi (D) and several colleagues sponsored SB1351. This bill, signed in 2017, is an attempt to prevent borrowers from being misled or ignored by the companies that service their loans.

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State Future Caucus Network members generated over 200 media mentions in 2017, including:

COMMUNICATIONS

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Young legislators convened for the Future Summit from:

States: Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Virginia, and Wisconsin
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FUTURE SUMMIT

The MAP Future Caucus Network project partnered with Tufts University and the John F. Kennedy Institute to host the first-annual Future Summit in Boston, MA.

Forty state legislators, hailing from more than twenty states, to gather for a day of connection, innovation, and collaboration. The diverse group examined best practices and ideas on next-generation policies and priority issues.

Mickey Edwards
Former Congressman
Program Director, Rodel Fellowships in Public Service, The Aspen Institute

Senator Eric Lesser
State Senator, Massachusetts
First Hampden & Hampshire District

Dr. Kei Kawashima-Ginsberg
Director Of Circle
Tufts University

Steven Rothstein
Executive Director
John F. Kennedy Library Foundation
SUMMIT INTERACTION

The Future Summit engaged attendees through group conversations as well as more intimate, issue-focused breakout sessions. Conversations reflected the millennial generation’s unique capacity to come together across state and party lines, and noticeably absent were the usual party labels.

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Legislators participated in breakout sessions to further develop discussions on important next generation issues. These sessions created a unique space where traditional partisanship was put aside in favor of an innovative, bipartisan approach to millennial issues. Breakout topics included:

- Reinventing Democracy & the Future of Political Participation
- New Leadership in Energy and Innovation
- Innovation and the New Workforce
- Higher Education and the Next Generation

LEARNING AND COMMITMENT TO ACTION

Millennial polling experts John Del Mastro, Kawashima-Ginsberg shared a data-driven understanding of the youth vote and emerging political development. Massachusetts Senator Eric Lesser shared stories of success and how he reflected on his own time in office. Former Congressman Mickey Edwards closed out the day’s program.

Edwards, reflecting on his own time in office, didn’t think of them as Republicans or Democrats, it just didn’t occur to me, and it didn’t occur to them. What they just need to recapture that somehow, we can do that except sitting down at a table.

At the close of the summit, legislators committed to specific bipartisan actions in their home states.
It is important to remember that JFK’s legacy continues to live on in the lives of leaders in this room today. We can achieve things and that we can bridge these divides and come together as one nation.

Steven Olkara
FACT

MAP’s Congressional Future Caucus is the nation’s first and only caucus for young members of Congress.
2017 has seen our Congressional Future Caucus (CFC) raise its profile and set the stage for a more robust agenda. The caucus is making a name for itself by advancing common sense bipartisan legislation on issues that are important not only to Millennials but to all Americans.

★ With over 30 members the caucus has grown beyond solely members who are in the Millennial generation to members of Congress who represent large numbers of Millennials and those who embrace our bipartisan ethos.

★ MAP announced our new CFC Co-Chairs, Reps. Carlos Curbelo (R-FL 26th District), Kyrsten Sinema (D-AZ 9th District), and introduced our first ever Vice-Chairs Mike Gallagher (R-WI 8th District), and Stephanie Murphy (D-FL 7th District).

★ We convened our new CFC leadership at a private event at Barrel Bourbon. There, they identified three top areas of focus and consensus going forward: Cyber-Security, Congressional Reform, and Economic Innovation.

★ MAP is working closely with the caucus to lay the groundwork for advancing a positive legislative agenda early in the new year.

★ The CFC has focused on relationship building and sharing their dedication to bridging the partisan divide through a number of public and private events.
Left or right, both sides can agree that politics as usual hasn’t been working well for anyone. Our country needs a new generation of leaders to challenge this status quo, generate new ideas, and restore some civility to American politics. The Future Caucus is the start of this effort, creating a space where the millennial generation can work together, fix big problems, and set the country on a better course.”

- Congressman Mike Gallagher
CFC Members introduced 49 bipartisan bills that were passed by at least once house of Congress. These bills included future-focused legislation ranging from micro loans, to improving government, to improving training opportunities for veterans.

National media outlets are taking notice of the Future Caucus and its work:

CFC Co-Chair Representative Kyrsten Sinema (D-AZ) joined MAP at Facebook’s offices in DC to discuss the future of bipartisanship. When asked about her vision for the future of the growing Future Caucus, Sinema had one overarching goal: get things done.

The next steps for the Future Caucus include continuing to engage with young people in DC and around the country, as well as building bipartisan relationships within the caucus and finding opportunities to draft common-ground legislation.
CONGRESSIONAL ENGAGEMENT EVENTS

"One of the things the Future Caucus can do is refocus on the work and say here are new innovative, creative things we can do that are not partisan [...] but instead are providing this positive outlet."

Congresswoman Sinema
MAP convened our new Congressional Future Caucus leadership at a private event at Barrel Bourbon. There, they identified their top areas of focus and consensus going forward: Cyber-Security, Congressional Reform, and Economic Innovation.
MAP hosted a night of brews, bourbon, and bipartisanship at the Economic Innovation Group. MAP’s Steven Olikara sat down with the first ever Congressional Future Caucus vice chairs, Representative Stephanie Murphy (D-FL) and Representative Mike Gallagher (R-WI) to discuss key policy areas and the trajectory of the Future Caucus.

Both Reps. Murphy and Gallagher recognized the need for deeper, systemic change in the American political system, as well as a healthy dose of honesty. “Both parties have been talking from the same scripts for the last three decades,” said Gallagher. “Some of it works, a lot of it doesn’t, and I think there’s a need to have an honest and open conversation about very complex policy issues.”
Millennial Action Project and the Silicon Valley Leadership Group hosted an off-the-record conversation on Capitol Hill with the Congressional Future Caucus.

This conversation highlighted the issues of immigration, economic and tax reform, and the future of work. In addition to Future Caucus members, the event include over 50 civic, business, and tech company leaders, all interested in ways to engage the future generations and better our nation.
CONGRESSIONAL STAFF ENGAGEMENT

MAP convened Congressional Future Caucus members and staff for an end of year holiday reception, complete with beers & bipartisanship.
The event kicked off with opening remarks delivered by Senator Steve Daines (R-MT) and featured a panel conversation including Representative Nanette Barragán (D-CA), Representative Ro Khanna (D-CA), Representative Scott Taylor (R-VA), and MAP’s Steven Olikara. The panel was moderated by Twitter’s Colin Crowell.
The young members discussed how technology and innovation are not, and should not be, partisan issues. They shared their views on approaching technology policy with fresh eyes, and with an appreciation for the possibilities that innovation can bring to every American and every American business.
8 MILLION+ IMPRESSIONS on social media

FACEBOOK LIKES 80k+

Millennial Action (@MillennialAct) - it's team lunch Thursday here at the office!
FACT

MAP connects state legislators across state lines through a private Facebook group which allows relationship building, as well as information and best practices sharing.

SOCIAL MEDIA IMPACT

35%
NATIONAL STORYTELLING
200+ Broadcast, Radio, Print, and Online Media Hits

“Can The Future Be De-Polarized” - CNN

“Can Young House Democrats and Republicans Save Congress From Destroying Itself?” - GQ

“Skeptical About Politics, Millennial Entrepreneurs Aim To Disrupt Midterm Elections” - Forbes

“Young Wisconsin lawmakers form Wisconsin Future Caucus” - Fox 11 News

“The Millennial Moment” - Huffington Post
GRASSROOTS ENGAGEMENT

We spent 2017 connecting with young people across the country who believe in the power of collaboration to solve our nation’s problems.

Tom Tom Festival

Conversation with Professor Jeremi Suri

Politicon

S&P Global "Future of Homeownership"
The MAP Young Leaders Council is a carefully-selected group of driven leaders who are dedicated to helping to usher in a new post-partisan era. The MAP YLC serves as MAP’s “inner-circle” of Millennial advisors who embody our mission, while offering various resources, access to networks and strategic counsel supporting the growth and reach of the organization.

MAP has become a thought leader on Millennial political leadership and cooperation.
WHAT’S NEXT FOR MAP?

MAP’s role in continuing to foster political cooperation through millennial leadership has never been more important. Here’s what we’re looking forward to in 2018:

**STATE FUTURE CAUCUS NETWORK**
- Launch 10 new state caucuses
- Support caucus policy agendas, including assembling a “democracy reform” taskforce
- Share best practices across state lines
- Grow the caucus identity locally and nationally

**CONGRESSIONAL FUTURE CAUCUS**
- Deepening Congressional Future Caucus engagement by institutionalizing the caucus.
- Increase number of caucus events, meetings, and briefings
- Create joint media opportunities for members
- Achieve policy victories on issues including economic innovation, cybersecurity, and democracy reform
- Build the Caucus as a force on the Hill

Widening the network of State Future Caucuses and deepen engagement within each one.
Develop thought-leadership on a positive vision and agendas of issues that MAP legislators should and are pursuing.

Expand MAP’s media footprint and network of surrogates to become a resource for bipartisanship and next-generation policy issues.

Engaging young grassroots individuals to continue to build a robust pipeline into public service:

Create a dialogue between Future Caucus members and the public through events, town halls, and digital opportunities.

Add and develop MAP staff to ensure we have the capacity to effectively carry out these goals.