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Office of the Premier  
Premier Greg Selinger  
204 Legislative Building  
450 Broadway  
Winnipeg MB R3C 0V8

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**Re: Funding for the BIZ Outreach Program, 2011, Thereafter**

Dear Premiere Selinger,

The Downtown BIZ has been appreciative of the Provinces support for the continuation of the Outreach Program for 2010.

Helping over 3200 intoxicated people off the downtown streets and into safer environments has been beneficial to our BIZ members, the general public, many downtown social service providers and organizations, as well as all levels of government.

Attached is an updated summary of the initiative, as well as a three year budget for maintaining the program.

While the Downtown BIZ will continue to invest in this program, without the continued and increased support of the Province, this program will unfortunately come to an end as of December 31, 2010.

We have been advised prior that the City will continue to continue its current level of commitment on a go forward basis.

Please advise the BIZ of the Provinces intent in continuing this important downtown safety initiative, and to what level of resource assistance as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

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c.c. Alex Robinson, Deputy CAO City of Winnipeg  
Chief McCaskill, Winnipeg Police Services  
Chief Brennan, Winnipeg Fire & Paramedic Services  
BIZ Chair Kevin Donnelly, True North Sports & Entertainment

Enclosure