



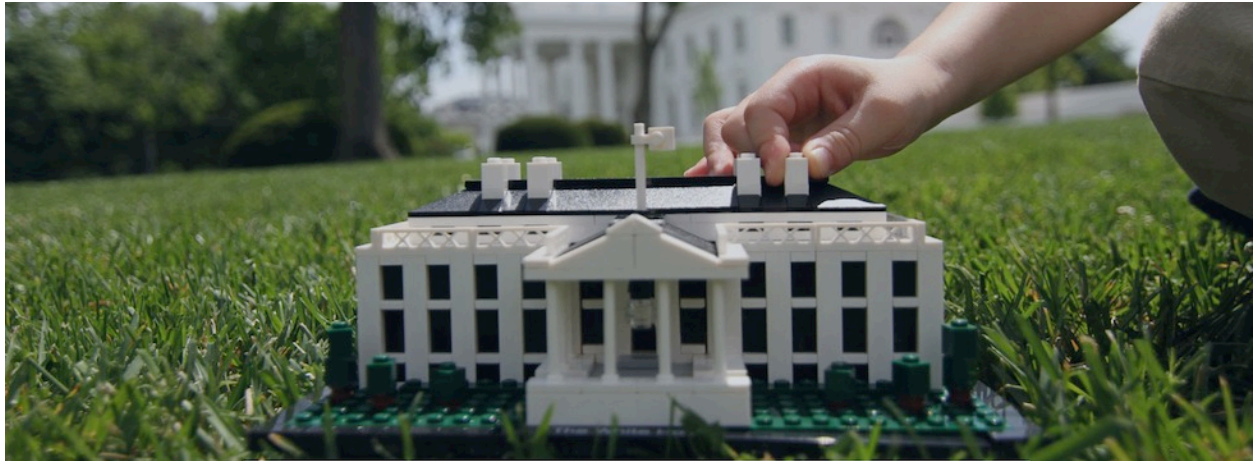
# Letter of Support

*Making a statement by uniting in voice!*

One of the best ways to make a viewpoint heard is to have it come from many voices. Adding your letter of support underscores the importance of the collective action and removes any doubt that the movement already has widespread impact for good.

Don't miss out adding your voice on this movement-building day!

- Who:** Spaces, events, and organizations of all sizes and types.
- What:** A letter of your thoughts on the (1) positive impact of the maker movement and (2) the benefits of organizing the Nation of Makers to support the community.
- When:** Submit letters to Nation of Makers transitioning group by November 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Why:** To signify your organization's involvement and make a collective statement.
- How:** Write a letter ([see a template here](#)) and adding it to this [Dropbox folder here](#) or by emailing it directly to [NoMTransitionGroup@gmail.com](mailto:NoMTransitionGroup@gmail.com).



## Frequently Asked Questions

**Where will my letter of support go?**

The letters will live on the new Nation of Makers website and will be submitted to the White House.

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**Who is anticipated to read my letter of support?**

The letters will be distributed to the community, prospective philanthropic funders, supporting organizations, as well as directly to the White House.

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**To whom should it be addressed?**

The letter could be address to either the Nation of Makers as a statement to the new organization of support for it or, alternatively, "To Whom It May Concern" as a statement for why the Nation of Makers organization is needed and beneficial as advocacy on behalf of the new organization.

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**What should I say in it?**

The best statements are those that describe your thoughts and specific examples of why and how the Nation of Makers can serve an important need both in the community of makers but also more generally in our society. The letters do not need to be long to be effectively but should be authentic to your organization.

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**By writing this letter am I committing to anything more?**

No. This letter does not automatically commit you to any other actions.

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**Are there examples of other campaigns for letters of support?**

While there are examples of [letters to President Obama from universities](#) describing their commitment to creating more opportunities for making on their campuses and in their communities, this letter campaign is not looking for additional

commitments but instead is specifically focused on each organization (1) articulating why the maker movement matters to them and (2) why the organization of Nation of Makers is of value in supporting the community.

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**My community of makers does not fit neatly into the heading of makerspace, organization, or event, should I still submit?**

Yes! A Primary reason to have many different letters is because the organizations and communities served by Nation of Makers are incredibly diverse. Those who don't easily fit have unique voices that should be heard as a Letter of Support.

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**How many letters do you hope to receive?**

The transitioning group set an ambitious goal of receiving more than 300 letters of support – that depends on you, however, to make a reality!