Project Title: Thirty Thousand High-Quality Seats: Replicating and Expanding the KIPP Model to 65 Additional Schools

Project Description and Goals: Since its founding more than two decades ago, KIPP has been committed to preparing students from educationally disadvantaged communities for success in college and the competitive world beyond. KIPP opens and operates high-quality, college-preparatory, public charter schools. This fall, KIPP will open its 200th school and educate approximately 80,000 students in elementary, middle, and high school in 20 states and Washington, D.C. Eighty-eight percent of KIPP students qualify for free or reduced-price lunch, 10% receive special education services, and 17% are designated English Language Learners. KIPP students outperform district peers on state tests, enroll in college at nearly twice the rate of low-income students in our country, and graduate from college at a higher rate than the national average across all demographics and at over four times the average for low-income students.

With support from the Charter Schools Program, over the next three years, KIPP will continue to successfully replicate, creating 30,000 high-quality seats across 65 schools in up to 32 communities.

Expected Outcomes: The new and expanded KIPP schools will serve 30,000 students in grades PreK-12 in up to 32 unique communities across the country.

Contribution to Research, Policy, or Practice: KIPP aims to be a catalytic force for change, improving educational outcomes for all students. KIPP commits to share with the broader education sector the processes, practices, and strategies employed to accomplish the goals, objectives, and outcomes described within this application.