

Dear Friend!

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We are so excited to share that M.O.M.I.E's TLC was selected to receive the **National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award**! M.O.M.I.E's was one of only 15 organizations throughout the country to receive this great honor. We want you to know that this award belongs to all of us, because it would not have been possible

without you. So, CONGRATULATIONS to all of our children and families on this great achievement!



M.O.M.I.E's TLC was recognized with a prestigious national award by First Lady Michelle Obama at a White House ceremony on Wednesday, October 20. We received the National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award (formerly the Coming Up Taller Award), the highest honor such programs can receive in the United States!

At this special ceremony, Michelle Obama personally honored M.O.M.I.E's TLC saying, ***"Right here in Washington, DC, kids from low-income neighborhoods are using debate and hands-on activities to learn about some of history's great leaders. ..These are experiences that will stick with our young people for the rest of their lives."***

The strategies Mrs. Obama referenced are regular activities at M.O.M.I.E's because we deeply believe that creating these experiences early on in the lives of our children, and committing ourselves fully to their development through holistic family engagement and supports, will give our children the foundation for life-long success.

Thanks to all of our families, children, volunteers, and supporters who made this award possible. We especially want to congratulate Matlhodi Sebolai, an 11-year old M.O.M.I.E's participant, who attended the White House Ceremony on October 20th along with our Co-Founder, Ayize Sabater, and received the award from First Lady Michelle Obama. Matlhodi began M.O.M.I.E's when she was 6-years old, and she is currently a 7th grade student at Alice Deal Middle School in Washington, DC. We are so proud of her and cannot wait to see her next accomplishment!

We are so honored and grateful for your help, and can't wait for even more to come!

Peace,

*Ayize Sabater, CEO*  
M.O.M.I.E's TLC