

January 11, 2018

Todd Slatin – Purchasing Director Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government 200 East Main Street, Room 338 Lexington, KY 40507

Dear Director,

Please accept this proposal from Community Action Council, a response to Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government's RFP #52-2017 Intensive Case Management with Coordinated Entry Housing Navigation Services Request for Proposal. Included in this submission are the required signed documents from the Council's Executive Director and Director of Human Resources. These documents are presented in the order in which they appeared in the RFP: Affidavit, Equal Opportunity Agreement, Workforce Analysis Form, Affirmative Action Acknowledgement, LFUCG MWDBE Participation Form, LFUCG MWDBE Quote Summary Form, LFUCG Statement of Good Faith Efforts; and General Provisions. In addition, the Council has included in the attachments job description(s), resume(s), and support letters from local community partners. Thank you for the opportunity to submit this proposal. If you have questions concerning our submission, I will be happy to answer them.

Sincerely,

Malcolm J. Ratchford, CCAP

**Executive Director** 

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## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** January 04, 2018

TO: Michele Lee, Chairperson (via email)

FROM: Malcolm Ratchford, Executive Director

COPY: Strategic Leadership Group (via email)

**Sharon Price** 

Steve Amato (via email)

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Front Desk – 710 (via email)

**RE:** Planned Absence, January 08-12, 2018

I will be out of the office from January 08-12, 2018 attending the Management and Leadership Training Conference at Houston, Texas.

Sharon Price, Director of Child Development, is authorized to exercise the functions and authority of the Executive Director as established by the Board of Directors and in the best interests of Community Action Council during this absence.

Copies of this memorandum should be attached to any funding source reports, contracts or other documents that have a legal character to confirm that he has been authorized to act on my behalf.

Malcolm Ratchford Executive Director **Organization and Lead Applicant:** Community Action Council

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**Title of Proposed Program:** Intensive Case Management and Housing Navigation

Project Summary: Community Action Council (the Council)'s Intensive Case Management and Housing Navigation (ICMHN) program is comprised of two key components: Coordinated Entry Housing Navigation Services (HNS), a community-wide initiative to oversee and expand Lexington's Coordinated Entry System; and provision of Intensive Case Management (ICM) for those individuals and families who have the most critical need for housing services. Although each component of ICMHN will operate independently, significant cross-collaboration will be essential for ensuring a comprehensive, inclusive and broad-based program that addresses the needs of persons experiencing homelessness and the wider community.

The HNS component will operate as an integral element of Coordinated Entry system. HNS will maintain the By-Name Prioritization and housing resource availability lists; participate in case conferencing meetings; conduct community outreach to housing and community resource providers, as well as marketing and outreach to landlords and the local business community; conduct assessments and prioritize housing resource placements; and undertake continuous data quality improvement efforts in collaboration with OHPI.

The ICM component will target services to approximately 45 households annually that are identified on the Coordinated Entry by-name list (BNL) as having the most critical need for services based on length of homelessness and acuity. The ICM component will operate with a team-based approach, utilizing a designated ICM Team—including the Team Coordinator (ICMTC) and Peer Support Specialist (PSS)—as well as representatives from appropriate community providers. This team approach will ensure that households receive a full complement of individualized services, addressing their needs by providing them with appropriate resources to overcome barriers and transition to permanent, stable housing as rapidly as possible. Other ICM services will include landlord advocacy; facilitation of case conferencing, as needed; and assisting participants in obtaining necessary eligibility documentation.

### 5.1 Program Proposal and Design – Scope of Work

- Navigation (ICMHN) program seeks to address the gap in pre-placement case management services identified by Lexington's Continuum of Care (CoC). During the time period between referral to the Coordinated Entry System (CES) By-Name List (BNL) and placement in a permanent housing solution, households may become disconnected from local service providers. The ICMHN program seeks to minimize this dislocation, particularly for the most vulnerable households on the BNL. Introducing a new level of Intensive Case Management (ICM) and providing Coordinated Entry Housing Navigation Services (HNS) prior to program entry is intended to shorten the length of time spent in homelessness by helping participants eliminate barriers, develop individualized goal plans, obtain necessary eligibility documentation, and navigate Lexington's full spectrum of supportive services and mainstream resources.
- 5.1.2 The Council has a long and successful history of cultivating and maintaining strong partnerships with local service providers, such as the Hope Center, New Beginnings, Divine Providence, Inc., Lexington Housing Authority, and Arbor Youth Services. Support letters from these entities have been included in this application. Relationships with these and other local community partners will ensure a team-based approach, an essential ingredient in providing comprehensive, inclusive and broad-based programming that addresses the full spectrum of needs of participants.
- **5.1.3** The Council understands that the ICMHN program must be provider-neutral to effectively address homelessness. The design of ICMHN includes elements that ensure that no housing resource providers, including the Council, will receive undue weight when making participant referrals, conducting case management, or coordinating services. The Council will

work in close consultation with OHPI to incorporate Lexington's existing CoC CES Policies and Procedures. Within this framework, the Housing Navigation Coordinator (HNC) will be responsible for maintaining the BNL and Housing Resource Availability List (HRAL), which will be accessible to all providers at all times, and there will be full transparency and documentation throughout the process of making referral determinations and related decisions. Program staff will be assigned solely to ICMHN and will not be assigned duties in any other housing programs operated by the Council, though in the course of their own duties they may occasionally work with staff assigned to these programs to meet ICMHN participant needs.

- 5.1.4 ICMHN will have dedicated office space at the Council's West End Community Services center, located at 913 Georgetown Street. However, due to the nature of the program, ICMHN staff will be highly mobile to meet participants at locations that are most convenient and comfortable for them, including emergency shelters, public spaces, and other locations. Upon award, the Council will seek to establish a formal colocation arrangement with non-HMIS participating agencies in order to be more accessible to households seeking services and to conduct outreach. The Council anticipates enrolling up to 45 households annually in ICM.
- 5.1.5 a-i The Navigator (AmeriCorps Member)—under the supervision of the HNC—will conduct initial housing intake assessments using the Vulnerability Index-Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT) for individuals and families in need of housing assistance who enter the CES through the Council or non-HMIS participating agencies. As mentioned previously, the Council intends to formalize colocation agreements with these agencies to allow for designated work space in their facilities, as needed. Once the VI-SPDAT has been completed, the Navigator or HNC will enter all required information into the KYHMIS system.

Additionally, non-HMIS participating agencies may submit a Coordinated Entry Inclusion form

to the HNC for inclusion in KYHMIS. The HNC will be charged with ensuring, via periodic review, that data for all ICMHN participants is entered into KYHMIS speedily and accurately. Vulnerability will be assessed according to length of time spent in homelessness and acuity as measured by the VI-SPDAT at intake, followed by disability status and shelter/transitional housing residency. The HNC will maintain ongoing contact with providers and will be responsible for staying abreast of all eligibility requirements and internal prioritization protocols. Housing resource providers will be responsible for notifying the HNC of any forthcoming vacancies (immediate, within 15 days, and within 30 days) via email each week. The BNL will be updated at least every 30 days, or whenever a referral to an available housing resource is made, whichever comes first. In all cases, the prioritization process, including access to the BNL and HRAL, will be transparent and open to review and comments by OHPI and other housing providers.

One of the primary goals of ICMHN is to assist participants in obtaining the necessary documentation for referral to an available housing resource, such as identification and social security cards; birth certificates; documentation of homelessness; proof of income, if any; and documentation of disability. ICMHN staff will be knowledgeable of the processes for applying for and obtaining these documents and, as needed, will refer participants to legal assistance services. As a result of this focus, the Council intends to implement an additional prioritization category for participants in this and other programs identified as "document ready" for a housing placement referral, in order to streamline and shorten the referral and placement process.

The broader role of the ICMTC will be to work alongside households to develop individualized goal plans and to facilitate interactions and relationships between the participants and other entities—including government agencies, service providers, and prospective landlords—that will

enable them to achieve their housing and other goals. ICMHN staff will provide transportation assistance to enable participants to meet their goals as needed, including accompanying participants to view possible housing units and advocating with landlords on their behalf.

The Intensive Case Management Team Coordinator (ICMTC), under the supervision of the Programs Manager, will coordinate and facilitate case conference meetings. Case conferences will include ICMHN staff, as well as representatives from local services providers. Case conferences will allow for the coordination of needed services and identification of potential solutions to individual barriers on behalf of the most vulnerable households.

Finally, the ICMHN program will host quarterly Housing Provider Forums, which will be the primary vehicle through which ICMHN will advocate with landlords to assist in addressing homelessness in the community. The Council will invite landlords, housing developers, realtors, and business owners, as well as other social service and community providers, to identify housing opportunities and resources, facilitate general networking and information sharing, and build a strong network for devising collective strategies to end homelessness in the community.

**5.1.6.** The Council will continually market the ICMHN program to ensure it has ample resources and community support to fulfill its purpose, as well as to communicate its activities to the public. In collaboration with OHPI and the local CoC, ICMHN will utilize posters and other materials at key points of entry into the CES to promote maximal accessibility and inclusion. ICMHN staff will develop and distribute simple literature about ICHMN for businesses, other institutions, and the public to explain its purpose and provide contact information.

## 5.2 Experience and Qualifications, Organizational Capacity

**5.2.1.** As its mission states, "Community Action Council prevents, reduces and eliminates poverty among individuals, families and communities through direct services and advocacy."

The Council's mission aligns directly with the goals of the ICMHN program as it is focused on providing a continuum of services—including housing assistance, crisis financial assistance, school readiness, youth development, workforce development, and employment assistance—to assist individuals and families in achieving long-term self-sufficiency through a collaborative network of service providers and community stakeholders.

5.2.2.-5.2.3 The Council has ample experience in providing housing assistance, case management, and supportive services to households with multiple housing barriers. For example, the Council currently operates the Project Independence-Rapid Rehousing Program (PI-RRH) within the Lexington CoC. From 2011 to 2016, this program operated as a transitional housing program to provide permanent housing assistance and supportive services for unaccompanied adults experiencing chronic homelessness and having a disabling condition. For over 12 years the Council has operated the Continuum of Care program in Bourbon, Harrison and Nicholas counties, providing subsidized permanent housing and supportive services for individuals experiencing homeless and for disabled individuals and families. The Permanent Housing Bonus Initiative program began operation in 2013, providing housing and supportive service for disabled households within Bourbon, Harrison and Nicholas counties while partnering agencies provide the same services in the remainder of the Region 6 CoC.

The Council's housing programs have demonstrated consistent success on multiple measures. For example, over the past three years, over 90 percent of participants in the Council's full complement of permanent supportive housing programs have exited to or maintained permanent housing. During the past year, over 30 percent of participants in these programs have gained or increased their total income; over the two prior years, over 40 percent of participants obtained or maintained their income. During the first year of the Project Independence-Rapid Re-housing

program the average length of time for participants to obtain permanent housing (from program entry to lease signing date) was 50 days.

5.2.4. As discussed in section 5.1.2, the Council continually collaborates with other agencies on an ongoing basis to provide wraparound supportive services. Through Lexington's CES, the Council works with OHPI and many other housing providers to provide resources to individuals and families experiencing homelessness. The Council maintains relationships with private property owners to encourage them to accept participants referred to the Council through the CES with or without income as tenants at their properties. Lastly, the Council regularly makes referrals to other service providers such as DCBS, Jubilee Jobs, God's Pantry, and others to connect participants to services that assist them in meeting basic needs and maintaining housing. These existing relationships will be leveraged to strengthen the ICHMN program, particularly by enabling efficient referrals for supportive services and housing resources.

5.2.5-5.2.7 Job descriptions and/or resumes are included in the attachments of this application. Mr. Marty Jones, <a href="Programs Manager">Programs Manager</a>, will provide program oversight and staff supervision and will continue to act as the liaison between the Council and OHPI, in collaboration with the HNC. The <a href="Intensive Case Management Team Coordinator">Intensive Case Management Team Coordinator</a> will be responsible for provision and oversight of ICM services; landlord outreach and advocacy; case conference facilitation; and assisting participants in acquiring eligibility documentation. The <a href="Housing Navigation">Housing Navigation</a>
<a href="Coordinator">Coordinator</a> will maintain and facilitate the BNL and HRAL; make referrals to appropriate housing resource providers; participate in case conferencing and landlord recruitment; and ensure active collaboration with the Lexington CoC. The <a href="Peer Support Specialist">Peer Support Specialist</a> will conduct outreach; assist in landlord recruitment and partnership development; provide housing navigation services; assist participants in goal planning; and aid them in developing independent life skills

and meeting basic needs. Finally, the <u>Navigator</u> will conduct VI-SPDAT assessments in the field and will participate in landlord recruitment and community outreach.

## 5.3 <u>Timeline</u>

<b>Action Steps</b>	Related Activities	Staff	Timeline/ Milestones
Program Start-up	<ol> <li>Establish fiscal/program oversight, finalize MOU</li> <li>Advertise for, hire and train staff</li> <li>Develop/implement data tracking tools</li> <li>Identify and enroll project participants</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>PM</li> <li>PM, HR</li> <li>PM, OHPI</li> <li>Program staff</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Upon Award</li> <li>May-July 2018</li> <li>Upon Award, ongoing</li> <li>Sept. 1, 2018</li> </ol>
Coordinated Entry Housing Navigation Services (HNS)	<ol> <li>Host Housing Provider Forum(s)</li> <li>Make referrals to ICMHN/available housing resources</li> <li>Facilitate Case Conference meetings</li> <li>Maintain up-to-date HRAL and BNL</li> <li>Review KYHMIS for data completeness</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Program Staff, OHPI</li> <li>HNC, OHPI</li> <li>Program staff</li> <li>HNC</li> <li>HNC, OHPI</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>July 2018, ongoing</li> <li>July 2018, ongoing</li> <li>Sept. 2018, ongoing         as needed</li> <li>July 2018, ongoing</li> <li>Monthly</li> </ol>
Intensive Case Management (ICM)	<ol> <li>Conduct intake and VI-SPDAT</li> <li>Connect participants to services</li> <li>Track and record goal plan progress</li> <li>Assist participants in obtaining eligibility documentation</li> <li>Facilitate Case Conference meetings</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Navigator</li> <li>ICM Team</li> <li>ICM Team</li> <li>ICM Team</li> <li>Program staff</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Sept. 2018, ongoing</li> <li>needed</li> </ol>

PM=Program Manager; HR=Human Resources; HNC=Housing Navigation Coordinator; ICM Team=Intensive Case Management Team; OHPI=Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention.

## 5.4 Program Sustainability, Cost and Overall Program Budget

### 5.4.1-5.4.9 TOTAL BUDGET - \$176,159

Personnel Costs - Budget \$77,841 to fund salaries for program personnel as follows: (1)

Housing Navigation Coordinator (HNC) - \$37,514 for 1.0 FTE at an average salary of \$17.97 per hour for up to 40 hours per week, commensurate with experience. 100% funded by the ICMCEHNS grant through OHPI for 12 months. (2) Intensive Case Management Team

Coordinator (ICMTC) - \$37,514 for 1.0 FTE at an average salary of \$17.97 per hour, for up to 40 hours per week, commensurate with experience. 100% funded by the ICMCEHNS grant through OHPI for 12 months. (3) Programs Manager (PM) - \$2,813 for 0.05 FTE at an average salary of \$56,251, or \$26.94 per hour, commensurate with experience. 100% funded by the ICMCEHNS

grant through OHPI for 12 months. Please see section **5.2.5-5.2.7** for a full description of roles and responsibilities.

Fringe Benefits - Budget \$25,455 including: FICA - \$5,955 paid at 7.65 percent of gross wages for employees' Social Security (FICA); Workers Compensation - \$3,937 paid at state rates for varying classes and budgeted at approximately 5.22 percent of gross wages; Pension - \$3,226 paid at 8.0 percent of gross wages for staff who have been employed at the Council for one year and have worked at least 1,000 hours in that year; Health Insurance - \$11,824 paid to provide coverage for staff enrolled in the Council's qualified health plans, with Employer monthly contributions of \$259 for single coverage, \$370 for employee & child coverage, and \$547 for family coverage; Life Insurance - \$217 paid at 0.24 percent of gross wages; and Disability Insurance - \$296 paid at 0.38 percent of gross wages.

**Equipment** - **Budget \$0.** The Council does not anticipate incurring costs for equipment purchases exceeding \$5,000.

**Travel - Budget \$3,270** to provide mileage reimbursement for program staff for travel necessary for direct program operations. Budgeted at the Council's current mileage rate of \$.545 for 1,200 miles annually.

Contractual - Budget \$6,500 to fund the site match for one AmeriCorps Member (Navigator).

Operating Expenses - Budget \$44,079 to support the following expenses: (1) Stipends - Budget \$18,200. To provide a weekly stipend in the amount of \$350 for one Peer Support Specialist (PSS). (2) Office Supplies - Budget \$5,400 - to fund the one-time purchase of one desktop and three laptop computers at a cost of \$1,200 per unit, as well as \$600 annually, or approximately \$50 per month, for office supplies such as desk organizers, pens, pencils, paper, and post-it notes, etc. (3) Client Benefits Expense - Budget \$4,050 to provide transportation assistance in the

form of bus passes, at a total cost of \$90 for up to 45 households. (4) Insurance and Bonding - Budget \$1,179 to provide insurance coverage for employees operating within the program. Costs are budgeted at approximately \$575 per FTE. (5) KYHMIS License Fees - Budget \$1,200 to provide for the costs of four KYHMIS licensure fees for program staff at a cost of \$300 per license. (6) Other - Budget \$1,300 to provide meeting expenses landlord recruitment forums; and \$1,000 for training expenses for program staff. (7) Shared Costs - Budget \$12,750 to cover the costs related to communications and information technology expenses for program staff. Shared cost expenses include costs of a Wide-Area Network, IT equipment, software, internet access, maintenance and support staff, and cellular and hot spot services for the program; an allocated share of Human Resources and Internal Training per the cost allocation plan; and the portion of costs related to office space, ongoing repair, maintenance, utilities and upkeep of facilities utilized by program staff.

**Indirect Costs - Budget \$19,015** to provide for the portion related to the program for administrative functions as approved by the Indirect Cost Rate Agreement. Calculated at the rate of 12.1 percent of direct expenses.

**5.4.10.** The Council intends to pursue a Supportive Services Only (SSO) grant in the next CoC funding cycle to support the operations of the program as described in this application. The Council further intends to apply for other suitable funding sources as they become available to support or augment this program. Examples of other funding sources include the Thomas R. and Betty R. Bryant award through the Blue Grass Community Foundation; Extended Social Resources funding through LFUCG; and other local and national foundation grants. Finally, the Council will continue to pursue private resources and funding support through charitable giving and collaborations with other social service providers, similar to the Give Kids a Home

partnership between the Council, Fayette County Public Schools and Divine Providence Inc.

## 5.5 Program Outcomes and Performance Measures (20 Points)

**5.5.1-5.5.2.** The Council's outcome measures for the proposed ICMHN program will be based on CoC System Performance Measures as defined by HUD. The table below outlines how ICMHN staff will track, report, and evaluate outcome data for each participating household.

Outcome measure	Definition	Data collected/ reported	Target
Length of Time Persons Remain Homeless (HNS)	Date of CE intake to date of referral/exit to permanent housing	Duration on BNL (date of intake to date of referral/exit to permanent housing)	<b>Year 1 – 90 Days</b> Year 2 – 75 Days Year 3 – 60 Days
Length of Time Persons Remain Homeless (ICM)	Date of ICMHN entry to date of exit to permanent housing	KYHMIS – date of ICMHN entry to date of exit to permanent housing	Year 4 – 45 Days Year 5 – 30 Days (Average and Median)
Number of Homeless Persons (HNS)	Number of households listed on CE	BNL – number of entries at start and end of each program year	Reduction of 5 percent from start Year 1 to end Year 3
Employment and Income Growth for Homeless Persons (ICM)	Percentage of adults who obtain or increase employment, or non- employment income	Income reported at intake; income reported during periodic case management reviews and/or upon exit	Year 1 – 10 percent Year 2 – 20 percent Year 3 – 30 percent
Successful Placement in or Retention of Permanent Housing (HNS)	Percentage of households exiting CE to permanent housing	KYHMIS – destination reported at exit	Year 1 – 60 percent Year 2 – 70 percent Year 3 – 80 percent
Successful Placement in or Retention of Permanent Housing (ICM)	Percentage of households who successfully exit to permanent housing	KYHMIS – destination reported at exit	Year 1 – 70 percent Year 2 – 75 percent Year 3 – 80 percent

**5.5.3.** Beyond measuring increases in employment and non-employment cash income as described in the table above, ICMHN intends to track the discrete steps taken by participants to increase income. These would include: initiating an application for SSI/SSDI benefits; beginning the process for reinstatement of previously lost benefits; obtaining necessary documentation for employment; and establishing connections with employers, employment assistance programs, and/or vocational rehabilitation programs. The Council intends to develop and utilize its own data tracking tools to measure progress toward program-defined outcomes for ICMHN, apart from the routine tracking of relevant data within the KYHMIS system.



## LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT HOUSING NAVIGATOR PROGRAM

### **BUDGET FY2018-19**

July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019

## HOUSING NAVIGATOR

		FY2018-19 Budget
Revenue		
1000	REVENUE	
9999	N/A	
4331	LFUCG REVENUE	_176,159
Total N/A		176,159
Total REVENUE		176,159
Total Revenue		176,159
Expense		
4050	PROGRAM OPS	
9999	N/A	
6000	SALARY EXPENSE - PERMANENT	75,218
6110	FICA EXPENSE	5,955
6120	WORKERS COMPENSATION EXPE	3,937
6130	PENSION EXPENSE	3,226
6140	HEALTH INSURANCE EXPENSE	11,742
6150	LIFE INSURANCE EXPENSE	217
6170	DISABILITY INSURANCE EXPE	296
6180	K125 CAFETERIA PLAN EXPEN	82
6190	ACCRUED LEAVE	2,624
7100	IN-AREA TRAVEL EXPENSE	3,270
7110	MISC SUPPLIES	4,800
7120	OFFICE SUPPLIES EXPENSE	600
7130	CONTRACTS EXPENSE	6,500
7200	INSURANCE & BONDING EXPEN	1,179
7291	TRAINING EXPENSE	1,000
7308	HMIS EXPENSE	1,200
7382	MEETING EXPENSE	300
7500	CLIENT BENEFITS EXPENSE	4,050
7515	STIPEND	18,200
7990	INDIRECT COST EXPENSE	19,015
7993	FACILITIES EXPENSE	2,250
7994	COMMUNICATIONS EXPENSE	2,155
7995	PERSONNEL EXPENSE	4,137
7996	ITS EXPENSE	4,209
Total N/A		176,159
Total PROGRAM OPS		176,159
Total Expense		176,159
Total Revenue over Expe	ense (Loss)	0



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Hope Center Emergency Shelter (859) 252-7881

Don and Cathy Jacobs House

Jacobs Hope Cafeteria (859) 543-2222

George Privett Recovery Center (859) 225-4673

Ball-Quantrell Jones Center for Women (859) 252-2002

One Parent Scholar House (859) 252-4828

Hope Center Recovery Program Lexington-Fayette County Detention Center (859) 425-2700 ext. 7372 - Women

Hill Rise Place (859) 255-8077

ext. 7389 - Men

Barbara Hardwick Rouse House (859) 252-2002

SHELTER

FOOD

CLOTHING

RECOVERY

**EMPLOYMENT** 

HOUSING

HEALTH

MENTAL HEALTH

SOCIAL SERVICE

**OUTREACH** 

CHILD DEVELOPMENT

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT January 8, 2018

Malcolm J. Ratchford
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710 West High Street
Lexington, KY 40508

Dear Mr. Ratchford,

The Hope Center is pleased to support Community Action Council's application to Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) for the Intensive Case Management and Housing Navigation program. Since 1993, The Hope Center has offered a variety of services to help meet the needs of individuals experiencing homelessness in Lexington, including emergency shelter for men. As a member of the local Continuum of Care, we recognize the need for case management support and assistance for individuals and families that are not yet connected with an appropriate housing services provider. Your program will help to reduce the length of homelessness for many individuals and families by offering intensive case management support and coordinated entry housing navigation services.

If your application is accepted, the Hope Center's outreach services staff will collaborate with the Council in the provision of intensive case management. The Hope Center will also provide eligible participants with access to our range of programs and services, including access to medical and dental health services through the Dr. Gordon Hyde Hope Health Clinic, mental health services, substance abuse recovery services, and employment assistance, as needed. In addition, the Hope Center agrees to provide relevant data and information with ICMHN staff as requested, so that the Council may maintain a real-time listing of available local housing resources and vacancies.

On behalf of The Hope Center, I strongly recommend your proposal for the Intensive Case Management and Housing Navigation program. I wish you the best with your application.

Sincerely,

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**Executive Director** 

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January 5, 2018

Malcolm J. Ratchford Office of the Executive Director Community Action Council 710 West High Street Lexington, KY 40508

Dear Mr. Ratchford,

New Beginnings, Bluegrass is pleased to support Community Action Council's application to Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) for the Intensive Case Management and Housing Navigation program (ICMHN). Since 1997, New Beginnings has offered permanent housing and supportive services for individuals in Lexington who have serious mental illness. As a member of the local Continuum of Care, we recognize the need for case management support and assistance for individuals and families that are not yet connected with an appropriate housing services provider.

If your application is accepted, New Beginnings agrees to support your program by providing services to eligible ICMHN participants who have serious mental illness. These may include peer support services, life skills training, and other recovery-oriented supportive services. In addition, New Beginnings agrees to provide relevant data and information with ICMHN staff as requested, so that the Council may maintain a real-time listing of available local housing resources and vacancies.

On behalf of New Beginnings, I strongly recommend your proposal for the Intensive Case Management and Housing Navigation program. I wish you the best with your application.

Sincerely,

www.NewBeginningsBG.org

Christy Shuffett, M.Ed.

**Executive Director** 

Fax



January 5, 2018

Malcolm J. Ratchford
Office of the Executive Director
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710 West High Street
Lexington, KY 40508

Dear Mr. Ratchford,

Arbor Youth Services is pleased to support Community Action Council's application to Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) for the Intensive Case Management and Housing Navigation program. Arbor Youth offers a variety of services to help meet the needs of children and youth experiencing homelessness in Lexington, including emergency shelter, rapid re-housing housing assistance, and street outreach. As a member of the local Continuum of Care, we recognize the need for case management support and assistance for individuals and families that are not yet connected with an appropriate housing services provider. Your program will help to reduce the length of homelessness for many individuals and families in our community by offering intensive case management support and critical housing navigation services.

If your application is accepted, Arbor Youth Services agrees to operate as an ongoing referral source for youth age 18 to 24 who are experiencing homelessness. In order to assist your efforts with this program, Arbor Youth Services agrees to provide eligible youth participants with access to our range of programs and services, including counseling, life skills, and parenting support, as needed.

On behalf of Arbor Youth Services, I strongly recommend your proposal for the Intensive Case Management and Housing Navigation program. I wish you the best with your application.

Sincerely,

Lori Clemons

**Executive Director** 



## CATHOLIC ACTION CENTER 1055 Industry Road Lexington, KY 40505 (859) 514-7210

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"Whatever you do for the least of my people, you do for me." Matt. 25

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Dear Mr. Ratchford,

The Catholic Action Center is pleased to support Community Action Council's application to Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) for the Intensive Case Management and Housing Navigation program (ICMHN). The Catholic Action Center provides emergency shelter and critical services for individuals in Lexington who are experiencing homelessness. We recognize the need for case management support and assistance for those individuals and families who have not yet been connected with an appropriate housing services provider.

If your application is accepted, the Catholic Action Center agrees to support your program by: providing a secure, confidential space within our facility to periodically accommodate ICHMN staff who are working to assess the needs of potential participants; by assisting ICHMN staff in collecting documentation of homelessness for participants to verify program eligibility and to work with ICMHN staff to support the Council's efforts to address homelessness in our community.

On behalf of the Catholic Action Center, I strongly recommend your proposal for the Intensive Case Management and Housing Navigation program. I wish you the best with your application.

Sincerely,

Ginny Ramsey, Director

Catholic Action Center



## LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY

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January 5, 2018

Equal Housing Opportunity

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Austin J. Simms Executive Director Mr. Malcolm J. Ratchford Office of the Executive Director Community Action Council 710 West High Street Lexington, KY 40508

Dear Mr. Ratchford:

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Housing Authority (LHA) is pleased to support Community Action Council's application to Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) for the Intensive Case Management and Housing Navigation program (ICMHN). LHA addresses homelessness in Lexington by providing housing assistance, public housing, and affordable housing solutions. As a member of the local Continuum of Care, we recognize the need for assistance for individuals and families that are not yet connected with an appropriate housing services provider. Your program will help to reduce the length of homelessness for many individuals and families by offering intensive case management support and coordinated entry housing navigation services.

If your application is accepted, LHA agrees to support your program by: providing relevant data and information with ICMHN staff as requested, so that they may maintain a real-time listing of available local housing resources and vacancies; by participating in Housing Provider Forums and other advocacy and marketing efforts; and by utilizing existing relationships with landlords, realtors, service providers and other stakeholders to help the Council build a maintain an effective, responsive network for addressing homelessness in our community.

On behalf of LHA, I strongly recommend your proposal for the Intensive Case Management and Housing Navigation program. I wish you the best with your application.

Sincerely,

Austin J. Simms
Executive Director



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January 9, 2018

Malcolm J. Ratchford Office of the Executive Director Community Action Council 710 West High Street Lexington, KY 40508

Dear Mr. Ratchford,

Lexington Rescue Mission is pleased to support Community Action Council's application to Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) for the Intensive Case Management and Housing Navigation program. Since 2001, Lexington Rescue Mission has offered a variety of services to address meet the needs of individuals experiencing homelessness in Lexington, including meals, crisis financial assistance, transitional housing, case management, and referrals to social services. As a member of the local Continuum of Care, we recognize the need for case management support and assistance for individuals and families that are not yet connected with an appropriate housing services provider. Your program will help to reduce the length of homelessness for many individuals and families by offering intensive case management support and coordinated entry housing navigation services.

If your application is accepted, Lexington Rescue Mission agrees to operate as an ongoing referral source for individuals experiencing homelessness. If your application is accepted, LHA agrees to support your program by providing relevant data and information with ICMHN staff as requested, so that they may maintain a real-time listing of available local housing resources and vacancies. In addition, Lexington Rescue Mission agrees to provide eligible participants with access to our range of programs and services, including counseling, life skills, re-entry support, employment readiness training, and employment assistance, as needed.

On behalf of Lexington Rescue Mission, I strongly recommend your proposal for the Intensive Case Management and Housing Navigation program. I wish you the best with your application.

Sincerely,

Jim Connell

**Executive Director** 

## COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL FOR LEXINGTON-FAYETTE, BOURBON, HARRISON AND NICHOLAS COUNTIES

#### POSITION DESCRIPTION

**Functional Title: Housing Navigation Coordinator** 

**Operational Title:** Same

**Reporting and work relationships:** Reports to the Programs Manager, supervises assigned staff and collaborates with housing providers, service agencies, mental/behavioral/health care providers and the Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention.

### Job Function Statement: (overall job purpose and benefit to the operation)

The Housing Navigation Coordinator is responsible for matching individuals and families to housing resources, as well as other mainstream community resources, and ensuring efficient navigation through the match-to-lease-up process as part of the Lexington Continuum of Care's Coordinated Entry. The position must possess a working knowledge of housing resources available through coordinated entry, ensure the determination of client eligibility for specific resources, and facilitate the by-name list for Coordinated Entry.

## Major Tasks, Both Offices: (Specify tasks: what, when, how often; differentiate essential and secondary job functions.)

- 1. Maintain a current list of available housing resources including those funded by Continuum of Care and Emergency Solution Grant funds. (E)
- 2. Maintain a current listing of properties and units available to which individuals and families experiencing homelessness may apply such as subsidized housing, Section 8, Shelter Plus Care, and Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing, as well permanent supportive housing, affordable and market rate housing, and other housing opportunities. (E)
- 3. Maintain By-Name listing of individuals and families for Coordinated Entry and prioritize referrals for available housing resources per Lexington Coordinated Entry Policies and Procedures. (E)
- 4. Establish and maintain effective working relationships with Continuum of Care and Emergency Solutions Grants funded agencies as well as other community housing resource providers. (E)
- 5. Conducts outreach to community, business owners, realtors, landlords, housing developers and other providers to identify new and existing opportunities and build strong relationships to better assist clients in accessing resources, employment, supportive services, and housing opportunities. (E)
- 6. Ensure all paperwork and data collection for participants receiving referral to housing resource is complete, timely, accurate, and current in participant records and Kentucky Homeless Management Information System (KYHMIS). (E)
- 7. In coordination with the Intensive Case Management (ICM) Team, support participants referred to housing resource with housing search including providing assistance in completing housing applications and in viewing potential housing units, and by advocating for clients with prospective landlords. (E)

- 8. In coordination with the ICM Team, facilitates collaboration between participant, housing provider, property management and/or private landlords to promote a smooth referral-to-lease-up process. (E)
- 9. Ensures initial housing intake and assessment for individuals and families seeking housing support from agencies without access to KYHMIS. (E)
- 10. Track and record progress of all referrals to housing resources. (E)
- 11. Work cooperatively and cohesively with ICM Team to ensure participants are matched with appropriate housing options. (E)
- 12. Ensure participants obtain documents necessary for securing housing such as identification, social security cards and applications for relevant social service or other housing programs. (E)
- 13. Ensure accurate and timely data entry into KYHMIS and assist in producing relevant reports from KYHMIS. (E)
- 14. Research housing topics, collect and organize housing information for clients and local housing assistance agency staff. (E)
- 15. Actively participate with other members of Lexington Continuum of Care in developing policies, strategies and activities for ending homelessness. (E)
- 16. In collaboration with the ICM Team, coordinate case conferences and other collaborative meetings to ensure participants listed on the By-Name List and/or those referred for a housing resource secure housing in the least amount of time as possible. (E)
- 17. Actively participate in staff meetings and trainings. (S)
- 18. Performs other duties as assigned to meet program and organization obligations, goals and outcomes. (S)

### **Job Qualifications:**

Knowledge, skills, experience, education, abilities:

- 1. Bachelor's degree and minimum two years' case management experience working with homeless individuals living with mental illness and/or substance abuse disorders; or, an equivalent combination of education and experience.
- 2. Working knowledge of the KYHMIS system, or ability to understand online reporting systems.
- 3. Skills in documenting case notes, program activities, and entering data. Ability to prepare monthly, quarterly and annual reports.
- 4. Ability and willingness to work individually in a self-directed manner and exercise discretion, judgement, and authority to make independent decisions on the needs of clients.
- 5. Comfortable dealing with change, able to quickly grasp new techniques, and remain calm in stressful situations.
- 6. Outstanding organizational and record keeping skills, including the ability to maintain accurate and confidential files. Must understand the need for maintaining confidentiality of all sensitive information.
- 7. Excellent interpersonal communication skills, able to relate to various personality styles in a calm, professional manner. Have the desire to develop strong working relationships with coworkers, clients, and housing assistance community.

- 8. Knowledge of Housing Authority rules and regulations.
- 9. Knowledge of Department of Housing and Development guidelines as they relate to client housing resource eligibility.
- 10. Knowledge of social service providers and programs, and of local and federal government benefits and entitlements.
- 11. Able to work in a high tolerance Harm Reduction model with Members who have multiple barriers.
- 12. Able to evaluate data/information and make decisions quickly that are in alignment with the agency's established policies, procedures, and guidelines.
- 13. Detail oriented with strong time management, organizational, written and verbal communication skills.
- 14. Experience working in a community-based setting and as part of a team.
- 15. Skilled in non-violent crisis intervention.
- 16. Computer literate; able to effectively use computerized database for client file management, with basic skills in Microsoft Word, Outlook, and Excel programs.

## Licenses, Certifications:

- 1. Sex offender registry check.
- 2. State criminal records check.
- 3. Federal Bureau of Investigations criminal records check, including fingerprints.
- 4. Child abuse and neglect state registry check.
- 5. Current, valid Kentucky Driver's License with an acceptable driving record and reliable vehicle. Ability to travel to various sites.
- 6. Able to obtain and maintain CPR/1st Aid certification
- 7. Any other screening, physicals and testing required by funding source, licensing and/or regulations

## Physical and mental requirements:

- 1. Ability to work with homeless and low income individuals of diverse backgrounds, cultural identities, and disabilities including physical, mental, and substance use disorder.
- 2. Must be sensitive to the needs of low-income persons and demonstrate understanding and ability to work with persons of diverse cultures and social-economic status.
- 3. Other screenings, physicals and/or testing required by funding source, licensing and/or regulations.

## Tools and equipment:

1. Reliable transportation for work related travel and willing to use vehicle for work-related travel.

### **Working Conditions:**

**Safety and hazards:** 

Must be sensitive to the needs of low-income persons and demonstrate understanding and ability to work with persons of

diverse cultures and social-economic status. Work site layout: Other screenings, physicals and/or testing required by funding source, licensing and/or regulations. General Collaborative problem solving and peer support, with a great emphasis on staff empowerment, decision making, and critical **Environment:** thinking. Attendance and other work requirements: **Work Schedule:** 8:30a.m - 5: 00p.m (must be flexible to meet program outcomes.) **Travel:** Various, including overnight and out of town. **Overtime:** Exempt Schedule (No. & Date): C-1997-H; Change 24 **Grade:** 8 Classification (Check appropriate classifications): Check appropriate classifications Full-time Permanent **Temporary** Part-time Exempt Non-exempt **Approvals: Dates: Supervisor:** 

EEO:

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**Executive Director:** 

## COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL FOR LEXINGTON-FAYETTE, BOURBON, HARRISON AND NICHOLAS COUNTIES

#### POSITION DESCRIPTION

**Functional Title: Intensive Case Management Team Coordinator** 

**Operational Title**: Same

**Reporting and work relationships:** Reports to the Programs Manager, supervises assigned staff and collaborates with housing providers, service agencies, mental/behavioral/health care providers and the Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention.

### Job Function Statement: (overall job purpose and benefit to the operation)

The Intensive Case Management Team Coordinator is responsible for ensuring the provision of individualized supports to assist participants who are experiencing homelessness in obtaining permanent housing. The position must collaborate with community outreach staff in establishing rapport with individuals and families experiencing homelessness, ensure the development of individualized service plans to address any barriers to obtaining permanent housing, coordinate services for participants related to achieving goals in the individual plans and facilitate the transition of services from the Intensive Case Management Team to housing based service providers.

## Major Tasks, Both Offices: (Specify tasks: what, when, how often; differentiate essential and secondary job functions.)

- 1. Conduct an intake and assessment for individuals and families with and without shelter and/or who are seeking housing support from agencies without access to KYHMIS. (E)
- 2. Coordinate efforts and activities of Intensive Case Management Team. (E)
- 3. In conjunction with the Intensive Case Management Team and Housing Navigation Coordinator, facilitate collaboration between participant, outreach staff and service provider(s), to promote a smooth service transition process upon securing housing. (E)
- 4. Develop effective, trusting relationships with participants. (E)
- 5. Establish and maintain effective working relationships with community outreach staff, as well as other housing and service providers. (E)
- 6. Facilitate and coordinate supportive activities and services with other agencies, including accessing mental health, substance abuse, or medical services, employment assistance activities such as job readiness skills, and any other relevant activities for program participants. (E)
- 7. Track and record progress of participants in achieving goals of individual service plan and obtaining permanent housing. (E)
- 8. Maintain up to date, accurate, and complete data and progress notes, records, and communication logs regarding referrals, housing applications, and coordination with outside partners and as required by the project and its funding sources. (E)
- 9. Possess knowledge of eligibility requirements for various housing resources. (E)
- 10. Assist participants in obtaining documents necessary for securing housing such as eligibility verification, identification, social security cards and applications for relevant social service or other housing programs. (E)

- 11. Maintain a caseload with a mixture of both participants who have been referred and have yet to be referred to a housing resource. (E)
- 12. Ensure accurate and timely data entry into KYHMIS and assist in producing relevant reports from KYHMIS. (E)
- 13. Advocate on behalf of participants to law enforcement, government agencies, social service agencies, educational institutions, medical and legal professionals, and others to ensure equitable access to housing. (E)
- 14. In collaboration with the Housing Navigation Coordinator, Intensive Case Management Team and other relevant stakeholders, coordinate case conferences and other collaborative meetings to ensure participants listed on the By-Name List and/or those referred for a housing resource secure housing in the least amount of time as possible. (E)
- 15. Actively participate in staff meetings and trainings. (E)
- 16. Actively participate with other members of Lexington Continuum of Care in developing policies, strategies and activities for ending homelessness. (E)
- 17. Performs other duties as assigned to meet program and organization obligations, goals and outcomes. (S)

## **Job Qualifications:**

Knowledge, skills, experience, education, abilities:

- 1. Bachelor's degree and minimum two years' case management experience working with homeless individuals living with mental illness and/or substance abuse disorders; or, an equivalent combination of education and experience
- 2. Working knowledge of the KYHMIS system, or ability to understand online reporting systems.
- 3. Skills in documenting case notes, program activities, and entering data. Ability to prepare monthly, quarterly and annual reports.
- 4. Ability and willingness to work individually in a self-directed manner and exercise discretion, judgement, and authority to make independent decisions on the needs of clients.
- 5. Comfortable dealing with change, able to quickly grasp new techniques, and remain calm in stressful situations.
- 6. Outstanding organizational and record keeping skills, including the ability to maintain accurate and confidential files. Must understand the need for maintaining confidentiality of all sensitive information.
- 7. Excellent interpersonal communication skills, able to relate to various personality styles in a calm, professional manner. Have the desire to develop strong working relationships with coworkers, clients, and housing assistance community.
- 8. Knowledge of Housing Authority rules and regulations.
- 9. Knowledge of Department of Housing and Development guidelines as they relate to client housing resource eligibility.
- 10. Knowledge of social service providers and programs, and of local and federal government benefits and entitlements.
- 11. Able to work in a high tolerance Harm Reduction model with Members who have multiple barriers.

- 12. Able to evaluate data/information and make decisions quickly that are in alignment with the agency's established policies, procedures, and guidelines.
- 13. Detail oriented with strong time management, organizational, written and verbal communication skills.
- 14. Experience working in a community-based setting and as part of a team.
- 15. Skilled in non-violent crisis intervention.
- 16. Computer literate; able to effectively use computerized database for client file management, with basic skills in Microsoft Word, Outlook, and Excel programs.

## Licenses, Certifications:

- 1. Sex offender registry check.
- 2. State criminal records check.
- 3. Federal Bureau of Investigations criminal records check, including fingerprints.
- 4. Child abuse and neglect state registry check.
- 5. Current, valid Kentucky Driver's License with an acceptable driving record and reliable vehicle. Ability to travel to various sites.
- 6. Able to obtain and maintain CPR/1st Aid certification
- 7. Any other screening, physicals and testing required by funding source, licensing and/or regulations

## Physical and mental requirements:

- 1. Ability to work with homeless and low income individuals of diverse backgrounds, cultural identities, and disabilities including physical, mental, and substance use disorder.
- 2. Must be sensitive to the needs of low-income persons and demonstrate understanding and ability to work with persons of diverse cultures and social-economic status.
- 3. Other screenings, physicals and/or testing required by funding source, licensing and/or regulations.

## Tools and equipment:

1. Reliable transportation for work related travel and willing to use vehicle for work-related travel.

## **Working Conditions:**

**Safety and hazards:** 

Must be sensitive to the needs of low-income persons and demonstrate understanding and ability to work with persons of diverse cultures and social-economic status.

**Work site layout:** 

Other screenings, physicals and/or testing required by funding source, licensing and/or regulations.

General Environment:

Collaborative problem solving and peer support, with a great emphasis on staff empowerment, decision making, and critical thinking.

Attendance and other w	ork requirements:		
Work Schedule:	8:30a.m - 5: 00p.m (must be flexible to meet program outcomes.)		
Travel:	Various, including overnight and out of town.		
Overtime:	Exempt		
Schedule (No. & Date):	C-1997-H; Change 24	4	
Grade: 8			
Classification (Check ap	ppropriate classificati	ions): Check appropria	ate classifications
X Permanent	Temporary	X Full-time	Part-time
X Exempt	Non-exempt		
Approvals:			Dates:
Supervisor:			
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Fiscal:			
<b>Executive Director:</b>			

## COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL FOR

## LEXINGTON-FAYETTE, BOURBON, HARRISON AND NICHOLAS COUNTIES

#### POSITION DESCRIPTION

**Functional Title: Housing Navigator (AmeriCorps)** 

**Operational Title**: Same

**Reporting and work relationships:** Reports to the Housing Navigation Coordinator, collaborates with housing providers, service agencies, mental/behavioral/health care providers and the Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention.

### Job Function Statement: (overall job purpose and benefit to the operation)

The Housing Navigator is responsible for conducting assessments in the field and in landlord recruitment and community outreach. The position will identify appropriate housing options to individuals and families and assist them in obtaining, collecting and completing necessary documents required for securing housing.

## Major Tasks, Both Offices: (Specify tasks: what, when, how often; differentiate essential and secondary job functions.)

- 1. Completes initial housing intake and assessment for individuals and families seeking housing support from agencies without access to Kentucky Homeless Management Information System (KYHMIS). (E)
- 2. Assist in maintaining a current listing of properties and units available to which individuals and families experiencing homelessness may apply such as subsidized housing, Section 8, Shelter Plus Care, and Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing, as well permanent supportive housing, affordable and market rate housing, and other housing opportunities. (E)
- 3. Assist in maintaining effective working relationships with Continuum of Care and Emergency Solutions Grants funded agencies as well as other community housing resource providers. (E)
- 4. Conducts outreach to community, business owners, realtors, landlords, housing developers and other providers to identify new and existing opportunities and build strong relationships to better assist clients in accessing resources, employment, supportive services, and housing opportunities. (E)
- 5. Enters data in participant records and KYHMIS as needed for participants receiving referral to housing resource. (E)
- 6. In coordination with the Intensive Case Management Team, support participants referred to housing resource with housing search including aiding in completion of housing applications and in viewing potential housing units, and by advocating for clients with prospective landlords. (E)
- 7. In coordination with the Intensive Case Management Team, assists with collaboration between participant, housing provider, property management and/or private landlords to promote a smooth referral-to-lease-up process. (E)
- 8. Track and record progress of all referrals to housing resources. (E)

- 9. Assist participants in obtaining documents necessary for securing housing such as identification, social security cards and applications for relevant social service or other housing programs. (E)
- 10. Ensure accurate and timely data entry into KYHMIS and assist in producing relevant reports from KYHMIS. (E)
- 11. Participate in case conferences and other collaborative meetings. (E)
- 12. Actively participate in staff meetings and trainings. (S)
- 13. Performs other duties as assigned to meet program and organization obligations, goals and outcomes. (S)

## **Job Qualifications:**

# Knowledge, skills, experience, education, abilities:

- 1. At least 18 years of age.
- 2. High School Diploma or equivalent.
- 3. Computer literate; able to effectively use computerized database for client file management, with basic skills in Microsoft Word, Outlook, and Excel programs.
- 4. Ability and willingness to work individually in a self-directed manner and exercise discretion, judgement, and authority to make independent decisions on the needs of clients.
- 5. Comfortable dealing with change, able to quickly grasp new techniques, and remain calm in stressful situations.
- Outstanding organizational and record keeping skills, including the ability to maintain accurate and confidential files. Must understand the need for maintaining confidentiality of all sensitive information.
- 7. Excellent interpersonal communication skills, able to relate to various personality styles in a calm, professional manner. Have the desire to develop strong working relationships with coworkers, clients, and housing assistance community.
- 8. Experience working in a community-based setting and as part of a team.

## Licenses, Certifications:

- 1. Sex offender registry check.
- 2. State criminal records check.
- 3. Federal Bureau of Investigations criminal records check, including fingerprints.
- 4. Child abuse and neglect state registry check.
- 5. Current, valid Kentucky Driver's License with an acceptable driving record and reliable vehicle. Ability to travel to various sites.
- 6. Able to obtain and maintain CPR/1st Aid certification

## Physical and mental requirements:

- 1. Ability to work with homeless and low income individuals of diverse backgrounds, cultural identities, and disabilities including physical, mental, and substance use disorder.
- 2. Must be sensitive to the needs of low-income persons and demonstrate understanding and ability to work with persons

of diverse cultures and social-economic status.

Tools a	ınd
equipn	nent:

1. Reliable transportation for work related travel and willing

to use vehicle for work-related travel.

## **Working Conditions:**

Safety and hazards: Must be sensitive to the needs of low-income persons and

demonstrate understanding and ability to work with persons of

diverse cultures and social-economic status.

General

Collaborative problem solving and peer support, with a great emphasis on empowerment, decision making, and critical **Environment:** 

thinking.

## Attendance and other work requirements:

**Work Schedule:** 8:30a.m - 5:00p.m (must be flexible to meet program

outcomes.)

Travel: Various

Approvals:	Dates:
Supervisor:	
<b>Executive Director:</b>	

## COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL FOR

## LEXINGTON-FAYETTE, BOURBON, HARRISON AND NICHOLAS COUNTIES

#### POSITION DESCRIPTION

**Functional Title: Peer Support Specialist** 

**Operational Title**: Same

**Reporting and work relationships:** Reports to the Intensive Case Management Team Coordinator, collaborates with housing providers, service agencies, mental/behavioral/health care providers and the Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention.

### Job Function Statement: (overall job purpose and benefit to the operation)

The Peer Support Specialist will serve as a role model and mentor to participants in the Intensive Case Management component. The Peer Support Specialist is responsible for participating in outreach services; assisting in landlord recruitment and partnership development; assisting in housing navigation services; and assisting participants in goal planning.

## Major Tasks, Both Offices: (Specify tasks: what, when, how often; differentiate essential and secondary job functions.)

- 1. Assist with intakes and assessments for individuals and families with and without shelter and/or who are seeking housing support from agencies without access to KYHMIS. (E)
- 2. Develop effective, trusting relationships with participants. (E)
- 3. Assist participant in providing input in the process of the development of individual service plans. (E)
- 4. Maintain effective working relationships with community outreach staff, as well as other housing and service providers. (E)
- 5. Assists participants with selection of and access to supportive activities and services with other agencies, including accessing mental health, substance abuse, or medical services, employment assistance activities such as job readiness skills, and any other relevant activities for program participants. (E)
- 6. Advocate on behalf of participants to law enforcement, government agencies, social service agencies, educational institutions, medical and legal professionals, and others to ensure equitable access to housing. (E)
- 7. Assist in maintenance of up-to-date, accurate, and complete data and progress notes and records. (E)
- 8. Assist participants in obtaining documents necessary for securing housing such as eligibility verification, identification, social security cards and applications for relevant social service or other housing programs. (E)
- 9. In conjunction with the Intensive Case Management Team and Housing Navigation Coordinator, assists participant, outreach staff and service provider(s) in transition process upon securing housing. (E)
- 10. Participates in case conferences and other collaborative meetings. (E)
- 11. Actively participate in staff meetings and trainings. (E)
- 12. Performs other duties as assigned to meet program and organization obligations, goals and outcomes. (S)

### **Job Qualifications:**

Knowledge, skills, experience, education, abilities:

- 1. At least 18 years of age.
- 2. High School Diploma or equivalent.
- 3. Must be Certified through the Commonwealth of Kentucky as a Peer Support Specialist.
- 4. Personal experience with homelessness, mental illness and/or substance use disorders and demonstrates a level of recovery sufficient to manage their illness and function independently.
- 5. Working knowledge of local community resources preferred.
- 6. Ability to build and foster relationships with partner agencies, Housing Authorities, landlords and other community stakeholders.
- 7. Computer literate; able to effectively use computerized database for client file management, with basic skills in Microsoft Word, Outlook, and Excel programs.
- 8. Comfortable dealing with change, able to quickly grasp new techniques, and remain calm in stressful situations.
- 9. Experience working in a community-based setting and as part of a team.

## Licenses, Certifications:

- 1. Sex offender registry check.
- 2. State criminal records check.
- 3. Federal Bureau of Investigations criminal records check, including fingerprints.
- 4. Child abuse and neglect state registry check.
- 5. Current, valid Kentucky Driver's License with an acceptable driving record and reliable vehicle. Ability to travel to various sites.
- 6. Able to obtain and maintain CPR/1st Aid certification

## Physical and mental requirements:

- 1. Ability to work with homeless and low income individuals of diverse backgrounds, cultural identities, and disabilities including physical, mental, and substance use disorder.
- 2. Must be sensitive to the needs of low-income persons and demonstrate understanding and ability to work with persons of diverse cultures and social-economic status.

## Tools and equipment:

1. Reliable transportation.

## **Working Conditions:**

### **Safety and hazards:**

Must be sensitive to the needs of low-income persons and demonstrate understanding and ability to work with persons of diverse cultures and socio-economic status.

General Environment:	Collaborative problem solving and peer support, with a great emphasis on empowerment, decision making, and critical thinking.	
Attendance and other v	vork requirements:	
Work Schedule:	8:30a.m - 5:00p.m (must be flexible to meet program outcomes.)	
Travel:	Various	
Approvals:	Dates:	
Supervisor:		
Executive Director: _		

## **Christopher Marty Jones**

209 Black Water Lane Lexington, KY 40511 (859) 494-0550 (cell) cjcmjones1976@gmail.com

### **EDUCATION**

University of Kentucky - Martin School of Public Policy and Administration

**M.P.A.** - Masters in Public Administration – Graduated May 2003 Area of Concentration: Public Financial Management GPA: 4.0

**University of Kentucky – College of Human and Environmental Sciences** 

**B.S.** - Family Studies – Graduated December 1998

Major: Individual & Family Development and Family Resource Management &

Consumer Studies GPA: 3.8, magna cum laude

### **EXPERIENCE**

Community Action Council for Lexington/Fayette, Bourbon, Harrison & Nicholas Counties, Inc., Lexington, KY

Programs Manager (6/14-present); Program Grants & Contracts Manager (2/13-6/14); Family, Community & Youth Services Team Leader (7/10-2/13)

Duties include:

- Direct and oversee the implementation of an array of self-sufficiency programs including five distinct Continuum of Care funded programs and ensure compliance with funding source requirements. Successes include overhaul of procedures and processes for the Council's Supportive Housing Programs to improve program compliance, efficiency and effectiveness; and fostering of intra-agency collaboration across offices and divisions to accomplish goals of programs.
- Develop, coordinate and maintain effective working relationships with partnering organizations for the purposes of program implementation and/or addressing various issues related to poverty. Major activities include working with partnering organizations regarding coordination of services, planning for effective utilization of resources and ensuring successful program outcomes. Effective partnerships include Central Kentucky Economic Empowerment Project, Kentucky Housing Corporation, Bluegrass.Org, Central Kentucky Housing and Homeless Initiative and Homeless and Housing Coalition of Kentucky.
- Develop and submit renewal grant applications and periodic program reports, in collaboration with the appropriate divisions, as required by the funding sources. Major activities include submission of monthly, quarterly, bi-annual and annual progress reports for 12 separate programs including those for the Council's Continuum of Care, HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance and Emergency Solutions Grant programs, as well as various other programs; ensure maintenance of data per HUD data quality standards in Homeless Management Information System; and submission of renewal funding applications and required documents for the Council's Supportive Housing programs, SAMHSA funded Community Treatment Initiative and Financial Fitness.
- Collaborate with Family, Community and Youth Specialist, Manager, Operations Quality Control, Manager, Operations and Systems Development, program staff and as necessary, the Training and Professional Development Coordinator, to

- provide technical assistance and coordinate relevant trainings to ensure compliance and utilization of best practices.
- Participate in strategic planning work group regarding the Council's housing outcomes and assist Division of Program Development as necessary with efforts to secure funding and resources to achieve established outcomes by providing technical guidance and program data.

## Manchester Center, Inc., Lexington, KY

**Executive Director** (6/07-6/10)

Duties include:

- Manage and supervise the day-to-day operations of the Manchester Center—a non-profit community center which offered programs in the areas of Preschool, Youth Development, Community Enrichment and Social Services.
- Work with the Board of Directors regarding affairs of the organization. Major activities include creation, submission and implementation of an annual budget of \$315,000; reporting programming, financial, funding and other pertinent information; and leading, assisting and supporting the Board in its fundraising efforts;
- Direct and supervise staff in executing the Center's programs and services.
   Successes included expansion of the Youth Development and Community
   Enrichment programs by increasing enrollment and providing additional community activities respectively.
- Secure grant funding from government, corporate and private sources to financially support the Center's programs. Accomplishments include the receipt of over \$100,000 in grant funding since June 2007.
- Ensure compliance with all funding guidelines and reporting requirements.
   Major objectives include expending funds in manner consistent with funding obligations; tracking of grant fund expenditures; measuring and reporting program outcomes and results as dictated by funders.

### Assistant Director (5/03-6/07)

Duties included:

- Collaborated with Executive Director to identify potential private and public grant funds that match the organization's mission and purpose. Successes in this task included working with the Executive Director to successfully obtain funding for 89% and 85% of grant requests in FY05 and FY06 respectfully, including \$50,000 to start an endowment for tuition scholarships.
- Lead and supervised endeavor to organize volunteer recruitment and training. Results included the formation of a volunteer orientation.
- Collaborated with Executive Director in evaluation and development of organization's programs.
- Lead efforts to create and secure funding for preschool and youth program tuition scholarships with total funding in excess of \$90,000 from inception in October of 2004.

## **ACTIVITIES, AWARDS & CERTIFICATES**

**Balance of State CoC Advisory Board Member**—7/1/15-Present

• Performance Measures Committee Chair 7/1/17-Present

Certified Community Action Professional--2012 Leadership Lexington—Class of 2006-2007 Recipient, Ron Carson Distinguished Scholar Award

**Recipient, Friends of Children Provider Honoree** 

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- 2. Proposer will pay all taxes and fees, which are owed to the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government at the time the proposal is submitted, prior to award of the contract and will maintain a "current" status in regard to those taxes and fees during the life of the contract.
- 3. Proposer will obtain a Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government business license, if applicable, prior to award of the contract.
- 4. Proposer has authorized the Division of Central Purchasing to verify the above-mentioned information with the Division of Revenue and to disclose to the Urban County Council that taxes and/or fees are delinquent or that a business license has not been obtained.
- 5. Proposer has not knowingly violated any provision of the campaign finance laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky within the past five (5) years and the award of a contract to the Proposer will not violate any provision of the campaign finance laws of the Commonwealth.
- 6. Proposer has not knowingly violated any provision of Chapter 25 of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government Code of Ordinances, known as "Ethics Act."

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7. Proposer acknowledges that "knowingly" for purposes of this Affidavit means, with respect to conduct or to circumstances described by a statute or ordinance defining an offense, that a person is aware or should have been aware that his conduct is of that nature or that the circumstance exists.

Further, Affiant sayeth naught.

Phil form 01.09.18
STATE OF Kentucky
COUNTY OF Lexington-Fayette
The foregoing instrument was subscribed, sworn to and acknowledged before me
by Sara File on this the by day
of January, 2018.
My Commission expires:
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#### **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AGREEMENT**

## Standard Title VI Assurance

The Lexington Fayette-Urban County Government, (hereinafter referred to as the "Recipient") hereby agrees that as a condition to receiving any Federal financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Transportation, it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78Stat.252, 42 U.S.C. 2000d-4 (hereinafter referred to as the "Act"), and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, U.S. Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, (49 CFR, Part 21) Nondiscrimination in Federally Assisted Program of the Department of Transportation – Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (hereinafter referred to as the "Regulations") and other pertinent directives, no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age (over 40), religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, veteran status, or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the Recipient receives Federal financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Transportation, including the Federal Highway Administration, and hereby gives assurance that will promptly take any necessary measures to effectuate this agreement. This assurance is required by subsection 21.7(a) (1) of the Regulations.

#### The Law

- Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (amended 1972) states that it is unlawful for an employer to discriminate in employment because of race, color, religion, sex, age (40-70 years) or national origin.
- Executive Order No. 11246 on Nondiscrimination under Federal contract prohibits employment discrimination by contractor and sub-contractor doing business with the Federal Government or recipients of Federal funds. This order was later amended by Executive Order No. 11375 to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex.
- Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 states:

The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of physical or mental handicap.

- Section 2012 of the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Act of 1973 requires Affirmative Action on behalf of disabled veterans and veterans of the Vietnam Era by contractors having Federal contracts.
- Section 206(A) of Executive Order 12086, Consolidation of Contract Compliance Functions for Equal Employment Opportunity, states:

The Secretary of Labor may investigate the employment practices of any Government contractor or sub-contractor to determine whether or not the contractual provisions specified in Section 202 of this order have been violated.

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The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government practices Equal Opportunity in recruiting, hiring and promoting. It is the Government's intent to affirmatively provide employment opportunities for those individuals who have previously not been allowed to enter into the mainstream of society. Because of its importance to the local Government, this policy carries the full endorsement of the Mayor, Commissioners, Directors and all supervisory personnel. In following this commitment to Equal Employment Opportunity and because the Government is the benefactor of the Federal funds, it is both against the Urban County Government policy and illegal for the Government to let contracts to companies which knowingly or unknowingly practice discrimination in their employment practices. Violation of the above mentioned ordinances may cause a contract to be canceled and the contractors may be declared ineligible for future consideration.

Please sign this statement in the appropriate space acknowledging that you have read and understand the provisions contained herein. Return this document as part of your application packet.

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I/We agree to comply with the Civil Rights Laws listed above that govern employment rights of minorities, women, Vietnam veterans, handicapped and aged persons.

Signature 01.0918 Community Action Council
Name of Business

# **WORKFORCE ANALYSIS FORM**

Name of Organization: Community Action Council

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Foremen																	
Technicians																	
Protective Service																	
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Prepared by: Samanatha Anderson, Human Resources Mng. Date: 01 / 08 / 2018

(Name and Title)

Revised 2015-Dec-15

# DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF CENTRAL PURCHASING LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT 200 EAST MAIN STREET LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY 40507

# NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION TO ENSURE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AND DBE CONTRACT PARTICIPATION

Notice of requirement for Affirmative Action to ensure Equal Employment Opportunities and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Contract participation. Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) consists of Minority-Owned Business Enterprises (MBE) and Woman-Owned Business Enterprises (WBE).

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government has set a goal that not less than ten percent (10%) of the total value of this Contract be subcontracted to Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, which is made up of MBEs and WBEs. The Lexington Fayette Urban County Government also has set a goal that not less than three percent (3%) of the total value of this Contract be subcontracted to Veteran-owned Small Businesses. The goal for the utilization of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises as well Veteran —owned Small Businesses as subcontractors is a recommended goal. Contractor(s) who fail to meet such goal will be expected to provide written explanations to the Director of the Division of Purchasing of efforts they have made to accomplish the recommended goal, and the extent to which they are successful in accomplishing the recommended goal will be a consideration in the procurement process. Depending on the funding source, other DBE goals may apply.

For assistance in locating Disadvantaged Business Enterprises Subcontractors contact:

Sherita Miller, MPA, Division of Central Purchasing Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government 200 East Main Street, 3rd Floor, Room 338 Lexington, Kentucky 40507 smiller@lexingtonky.gov Firm Submitting Proposal: Community Action Council

Complete Address: 710 W High St., Lexington, KY 40508
Street City Zip

Contact Name: Malcolm Ratchford Title: Executive Director

Telephone Number: 859-233-4600 Fax Number: 859-244-2219

Email address: malcolm.ratchford@commaction.org

# COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL FOR LEXINGTON-FAYETTE, BOURBON, HARRISON AND NICHOLAS COUNTIES

# **OPERATIONS MEMORANDUM**

Subject: Affirmative Action Plan

Number: A-1990-G

Change No: 1

Replaces: Affirmative Action

Policy A-1990-G

Effective Date: September 27, 2004

Reference: Minutes, Board,

9/27/04

Expiration Date: None

Approval. Board of Directors

Type: Policy

Date: September 27, 2004

## **DISTRIBUTION:**

-Operations Manual Distribution List A

-Members, Human Rights Committee, Board of Directors

-Members, Staff Equal Rights Committee

-David Bratt, General Counsel

-All employees (via payroll 1/13/05)

-Human Resources Manager (distribute to all new employees)

# FILING INSTRUCTIONS (Persons with Operations Manual):

1) Pen and Ink Change to the Manual Index:
On page 2 of the Index (A-1986-F, Change 3) under the heading, Administration, locate the entry "Affirmative Action Plan A-1990-G, and add a "1" in the Changes column.

- 2) <u>Locate Operations Memorandum A-1990-G in your manual</u>. (It should be filed in Volume A by year and issue sequence.)
  - a. Remove and destroy A-1990-G.
  - b. Replace with this change.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Attachment to this Memorandum is Community Action Council's Affirmative Action Plan. The Plan describes the Council's goals and policies, and certain procedures in the areas of Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action. The plan is a policy document and, as such, takes precedence over any other administrative or intra-office procedures in the event of a conflict.

#### RESPONSIBILITES

All Community Action Council employees are expected to comply with the requirements of the Plan.

All Community Action Council supervisory personnel are accountable for ensuring that the operations under their supervision are in compliance with the Plan.

All delegate agencies, supporting corporations and organizations with program contracts must ensure that those aspects supported by funds received from Community Action Council are in compliance with the requirements of the Plan.

# COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL FOR

#### LEXINGTON-FAYETTE, BOURBON, HARRISON AND NICHOLAS COUNTIES

# **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN**

- I. INTRODUCTION
- A. PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF PLAN

This Affirmative Action Plan is designed to:

- 1. Prevent discrimination in this agency, delegate agencies and institutions in the four-county area.
- 2. To work toward assisting local groups to prevent discrimination in their communities.

Community Action Council is an Equal Opportunity employer. There shall be no discrimination in hiring and employment because of race, religion, sex, age, color, national origin, handicap, marital status, sexual orientation, political affiliation or belief.

- B. POPULATION OF COUNTIES SEE ATTACHMENT
- C. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

Community Action Council is responsible for compliance with all applicable Equal Opportunity policies as established by the Board of Directors, and laws, as set forth by the Civil Rights Act, to insure non-discrimination based on race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin, handicap, marital status, sexual orientation, political affiliation or belief. Community Action Council abides by the following laws:

- 1. Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended. Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination in employment by most employers of 15 or more persons on the grounds of race, religion, sex, age, color, national origin or handicap. This Title is administered by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission).
- 2. Executive Order 11246 Part II prohibits employment discrimination by certain government contractors and requires them to take Affirmative Action to remedy the effects of past discrimination. (This Order is administered by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance, U.S. Department of Labor). It has designated government contractors.
- 3. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and, as required by 11914, which provides that no otherwise qualified handicapped individual shall, solely on the reason of handicap, be excluded from participation in, be denied direct benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity.

- 4. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act prohibits discrimination in service or use of facilities by federally assisted programs.
- 5. Executive Order 13087- prohibits discrimination on the basis of his, or her, sexual orientation.

This plan and policy shall also be flexible enough to include all new human rights programs and regulations as they are created and implemented. Community Action Council maintains an Affirmative Action Plan in compliance with the above listed legal mandates. The plan will ensure that employees are recruited, hired and promoted on the basis of ability, experience and training without regard to race, religion, sex, age, color, national origin, handicap, marital status, sexual orientation or political affiliation or belief.

## D. MASTER PURPOSE

Community Action Council's Affirmative Action master purpose is to implement a positive policy prohibiting discrimination because of race, religion, sex, age, color, national origin, handicap, marital status, sexual orientation, political affiliation or belief and to give assistance within our agency's systems and sub-systems and also outside the agency. This includes assurance of compliance with Title VII of the Civil Rights act of 1964, as amended; Executive Order 11246, and other human rights policies or directives as may be implemented in the future.

Community Action Council will give preference to those vendors who are demonstrating an affirmative action equal employment opportunity policy. Minority-owned vendors shall also be given preference. No business will knowingly be transacted with firms that are not in conformance with policies stated in Section I-C of this Plan.

## II. ADMINISTRATION

# A. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors of Community Action Council shall be responsible for the determination of goals of the Equal Opportunity Program within the regular work programs of the agency. The Board shall have responsibility of planning, implementing, conducting and evaluating the Equal Opportunity Program. In addition, the Board shall take steps necessary to assure compliance within the Council in accordance with appropriate Acts of Congress, Federal Contract Compliance Regulations and other applicable regulations.

The Board is responsible for: Determination of major personnel, fiscal and program policies; determination of overall plans and priorities, and final approval of all program budgets.

The Board shall establish the Human Rights Committee, which shall have important advisory functions. The Human Rights Committee shall fairly reflect the composition of the Board, with at least 1/3 of the members as representatives of the poor, and there shall be representation from all of the minority groups, including women's organizations, within the geographical area of services. The Human Rights Committee shall be composed of no less than nine and no more than twelve members.

The Executive Director shall, with concurrence of the Board of Directors, select and appoint the Chairperson of the Staff Equal Opportunity Committee, and providing the Staff Equal

Opportunity Chairperson with the duties, responsibilities and accountability as prescribed in this notice.

The Board shall receive regular reports from the Human Rights Committee on its progress in monitoring and evaluating the Affirmative Action Plan and Programs, with recommendations for improvement of same. The Board shall provide to the chief staff official of the Council through its power to delegate the responsibility and authority to implement, through administrative procedures, the Equal Opportunity Policy of the Board.

The Board shall ensure that appropriate policies provide protection and redress for those who have alleged discrimination and provide for the exoneration of those found innocent of charges of discrimination.

The Board shall ensure that all individuals eligible to receive the benefits of the program, directly or indirectly, shall have an equal opportunity to do so. Furthermore, any disparity found in the opportunities offered to the constituency, within the geographical area of services of the Board, will be corrected through the development of adequate policies, which will be implemented by the staff. And, within this frame of reference, the Board shall establish meaningful, measurable criteria in equal opportunity, which will become a major factor in the staff performance evaluation of the Council.

The Board shall adopt a policy to ensure that all of the Council's contractors, vendors and suppliers of services, are equal opportunity employers, or are willing to become same, immediately.

The Board shall ensure that no recipient or other person shall intimidate, threaten, coerce, or discriminate against any individual for the purpose of interfering with any right or privilege secured by Section 624 of the "Act", "or because he/she has made complaint, testified, assisted, or participated in any manner in an investigation, proceeding or hearing. The identity of all complainants shall be kept confidential except to the extent necessary to carry out the purposes of this part, including the conduct of any investigation, hearing or judicial proceeding arising thereunder."

The final approval, decision, authority and responsibility for the implementation of the Equal Opportunity Policy and Affirmative Action Plan and Program shall be that of the Board to ensure equal opportunities for all.

The Board shall require an annual evaluation of effectiveness of the Equal Opportunity Policy and the Affirmative Action Plan and Program. It shall be the role of the Human Rights Committee to perform this evaluation utilizing all of the staff resources available to it.

The Board shall provide the necessary resources for an Equal Opportunity Policy and Affirmative Action Plan and Program, implementation, development and evaluation.

# B. HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

The functions of the Human Rights Committee shall be:

To provide the Board with regular progress reports of the monitoring and evaluation of the Council and delegate agencies' efforts to implement the Equal Opportunity Policy and Affirmative Action Plan and Program.

Through the study and survey, to identify specific problems to be resolved within a short and long range time frame.

To develop and recommend to the Board specific goals and objectives that will eliminate any disparate effect found as a result of the survey and study.

To receive staff assistance from the Staff Equal Opportunity Chairperson and perform an annual evaluation of the staff Equal Opportunity Committee's effectiveness in rendering staff assistance to the Human Rights Committee. The staff evaluation shall be submitted to the Executive Director in the form of a recommendation.

To be responsible for identifying and securing resources that will enable all staff to become more proficient in the area of Human Rights, which will be recommended to the Executive Director for implementation.

To provide the leadership in conducting a continuing campaign to eradicate every form of prejudice or discrimination based on race, religion, sex, age, color, national origin, handicap, marital status, sexual orientation, or political affiliation or belief, within the scope of the Council's operations.

To ensure that the Human Rights Committee composition fairly reflects the composition of the Board and the minority and female composition of the poverty population of the community, and that its composition shall be no less than nine persons.

To ensure an annual evaluation of effectiveness of the Equal Opportunity Policy and Affirmative Action Plan and Program utilizing all of the staff and resources available to it.

# C. STAFF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY CHAIRPERSON

The staff Equal Opportunity Chairperson will be given the necessary top management support to execute the job. His/her identity will appear on all internal and external communications regarding the agency's Equal Opportunity Program. The Chair's responsibilities will include, but are not limited to:

Provide staff and technical assistance to the Human Rights Committee, the Board and the Executive Director in the implementation of the Equal Opportunity Policy and the Affirmative Action Plan and Program.

Provide direction and guidance to the Human Rights Committee and top-level management in the development, implementation and analysis of the study and survey which will identify problem areas, internally and externally, and in the design of the solution of the problem areas.

Assist the Human Rights Committee in the mobilization of minority groups, public and private organizations and agencies in the area served in the development of solutions to the problem areas.

Provide staff assistance to the Human Rights Committee in its monitoring and evaluation of the implementation of the Equal Opportunity Policy and Affirmative Acton Plan and Program.

Keep the Human Rights Committee, the Board and the staff informed of the latest developments in equal opportunity, and affirmative action.

Make periodic audits of the program participation and beneficiary patterns, report to the Executive Director and Human Rights Committee any impediments that prevent minorities and women from enjoying full opportunities to participate in all Council sponsored programs.

Make periodic audits of the hiring and promotional matters, reporting to the Human Rights Committee any impediments that prevent minorities and women from enjoying full opportunities to participate in Council sponsored training, educational activities, services, hiring and promotional programs, leading to upward or outward mobility.

Serve as the liaison between the Council, Civil Rights enforcement agencies and minority and female organizations.

Provide technical training and assistance to the Equal Opportunity Counselors of the Council and receive and compile their regular reports.

# D. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COUNSELOR

Any employee or applicant for employment, program participant, or applicant for program participation or benefits, either directly or indirectly, who believes that he/she has encountered discrimination on the basis of race, religion, sex, age, color, national origin, handicap, marital status, sexual orientation, political affiliation or belief must first consult with an Equal Opportunity Counselor, prior to filing a formal complaint. The complainant may select any counselor of his/her choice, who is appointed to serve the Council.

Counselors may be appointed through a process wherein the employees participate in the selection. There shall be at least one counselor appointed for each 25 employees of the Council and its delegate agencies. The list of appointments shall be submitted to the Executive Director for concurrence.

The Equal Opportunity Counselor will provide the complainant with information on both the procedure for filing a formal complaint of discrimination and the procedure for initiating a grievance under agency procedures.

The Equal Opportunity Counselor will have access to any information which is necessary to adequately conduct the inquiry and which will provide the complainant, in writing, a basis for determining whether or not there are grounds to file a formal Civil Rights complaint, or a personnel grievance.

A confidential relationship shall be maintained between the complainant and the Equal Opportunity Counselor. The Counselor shall not reveal the identity of the complainant, except when authorized in writing to do so by the complainant, and only to the authorized enforcement agencies, when the complainant has filed a formal complaint. The authorized enforcement agencies are:

Local and State Civil Rights Commissions; Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (under Title VII).

At any stage in the presentation of the complaint, including the counseling stage, the employee, program participant or applicant for program participation shall have the right to be accompanied, represented and advised by a representative or attorney of his/her choice. The employee, program participant or applicant for program participation, as well as the representative (if also an employee of the agency), shall have a reasonable amount of official time to present the complaint.

Unless a time extension is approved by the EO chair, the EO Counselor shall conduct his or her full interview with the aggrieved person within four (4) weeks of the date in which the matter was brought to his/her attention by the aggrieved person. The EO Counselor shall advise the aggrieved person in the final interview of his/her right to file a formal complaint of discrimination and of the time limits for filing such a complaint.

If the complainant is a program participant and the complaint is in writing, the Counselor shall utilize all methods of assistance at his disposal, (e.g. investigation, mediation, arbitration, etc.) in an effort to informally resolve the matter.

When the complaint becomes formal, the Equal Opportunity Counselor shall assist the complainant in completing the necessary forms and provide the complainant with a written report of all inquiries, interviews and copies of legally releasable documents gathered during the inquiry. Copies of all information shall be held by the Equal Opportunity Counselor in confidence, and released only to an authorized investigating official(s).

The Equal Opportunity Counselors should have regularly scheduled meetings to summarize complaints brought to their attention. These meetings will identify complaints, and shall be used only to identify the problem areas. The Equal Opportunity Committee shall identify and actively try to resolve problem areas.

The Council is committed to assuring that the role of the Equal Opportunity Committee is sufficiently flexible to ensure that informal resolution of complaints may result whenever possible. The Council shall provide adequate support in terms of cooperation, priority, and designation throughout the organization, resources and time to enable the Counselors to be effective in the counseling role.

#### III. NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICIES IN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT

#### A. DEFINITION

Non-discrimination – The objective is to obtain qualified employees consistent with position requirements; to seek, employ, promote and treat all employees and applicants without discrimination because of race, religion, sex, age, color, national origin, handicap, marital status, sexual orientation or political affiliation or belief.

#### B. RECRUITMENT, SELECTION, ADVANCEMENT, COMPENSATIONS, ETC.

The Community Action Council Board of Directors shall maintain a continuous non-discrimination policy in regard to recruitment, selection, advancement, compensation, etc., policies. All areas shall be diligently covered and made available to all employees though staff meetings and training sessions by the designated Equal Opportunity Counselors.

The Council shall not discriminate in the hiring and employment procedures against any applicant for employment because of race, religion, sex, age, color, national origin, handicap, marital status, sexual orientation or political affiliation or belief.

The Council shall give every consideration to the employment of persons 40 years of age and over in terms of capabilities to perform the job in question.

The Council shall give every consideration to providing employment opportunities to poor persons, especially those persons who have been denied the benefits of formal education and who are willing to learn to perform new functions.

The Council shall give employment consideration to and shall likewise not discriminate against any otherwise qualified handicapped persons. These individuals shall likewise not be excluded from participation in or be denied benefits or subjected to discrimination under the Council's programs or activities.

Although attainment of a high level of education may be important to performance in certain positions, formal education qualifications, unless required by federal, state or local law, or funding source requirements shall not be made a requirement for employment or advancement if a person otherwise has the ability to perform the duties of the position.

The Council shall not consider a criminal conviction an automatic or conclusive indication of a person's character and shall consider each case on an individual basis and in terms of the job he/she is asked to do.

The Council, under the direction of the Executive Director and the Equal Opportunity Chairperson, shall seek qualified minority group applicants for job categories and will make particular efforts to insure minority group representation in occupations at high levels of responsibility.

When and where appropriate, employment advertisements will be placed in newspapers which are widely read so as to ensure that the Equal Opportunity Policy of the Council is upheld in employment practices. Further, the Council will request appropriate groups and agencies to assist in making known the Council's policy, and will advise such groups of available employment opportunities.

The Council will consider for employment at all levels of responsibility persons disadvantaged because of discrimination. Opportunities for earning increased compensation shall be afforded without discrimination to all employees.

Experience has shown that employment alone is not sufficient to fulfill the commitment to the employee. Without adequate prior training and job preparation, a disservice to the employer, the Council and the people to be served is often the result. Therefore, training both on the job and outside the Council is a vital part of the career development program.

Opportunities for advancement to higher levels of responsibility will be afforded to ensure the elimination of discrimination. Through the training programs provided by supervisors or local, state and/or other resource agencies or persons, advancement will be available to all employees. Preparation and job performance at each job level will be made to provide needed courses to foster career development, whenever possible.

#### IV. VENDOR COMPLIANCE

In accordance with Executive Order 11246, the Community Action Council accepts the obligation to utilize its purchasing power to influence and affect Equal Employment Opportunity policies in all contractors, sub-contractors and vendors from whom the agency purchases goods or services.

## V. PARTICIPATION AND SERVICE DELIVERY

The goal of the Council is to achieve the standard of reasonable relationship between the composition of the total low-income population by ethnic groups, sex and age and that of the areas and persons served in all program accounts.

- a. Service delivery staff will continue outreach efforts to stress provision of information about opportunities for participation and benefits to all members of the low-income population. Efforts will be made to reach minority individuals, women, and the aged as applicable.
- b. Statistical information on the social and economic characteristics of the low-income population and the potential recipients of various programs and services shall be kept up-to-date and used as a basis for evaluating program performance along with other criteria by the Equal Opportunity Chairperson.
- c. The Equal Opportunity Chairperson shall review the reporting procedures of the various components at least once a year to determine their validity and correctness.

The Community Action Council will ensure that all major ethnic groups are reasonably represented on the Board and its committees and participate in program planning, development and evaluation.

The Community Action Council's By-Laws provide for representation from minority groups.

# VI. INSTITUTIONAL CHANGE

The Community Action Council will serve as a catalyst for positive change in the institutions within the community.

The Council's staff and Board members will become familiar with existing civil rights laws (federal, state and local) which govern the communities served.

The Council will utilize affirmative action techniques to encourage compliance with implementation of civil rights laws by public and private institutions in the community served by the agency.

The Council will utilize affirmative action techniques to change institutional policies or practices which discriminate in the area including, but not limited to: employment, economic development, housing, education, voting, public facilities, criminal justice and welfare.

Attempts will be made to work with appropriate agencies, federal, state, and local institutions, organizations and individuals in developing minority business enterprises and in the

dissemination of information on funds available for meeting the needs of all low-income groups, including student loans, etc.

# VII. DISSEMINATION OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM

The Equal Opportunity Policy and the Affirmative Action Plan and Program of the Council will be distributed to all Board members to make them aware of all facets of the Equal Opportunity Program and to further enable them to carry out these program goals and objectives.

All Council staff shall receive a copy of the Equal Opportunity Policy and the Affirmative Action Plan and Program so that they will be knowledgeable of the Equal Opportunity Program of the Council, become further acquainted with proper procedures of grievance and complaint actions, and under supervision, assist in carrying out the intent of the Policy and Plan within their designated areas.

Where economically feasible, the Council and its delegate agencies shall clearly display on all stationery; in all program sites, near the entrance; and on any other publication or information distributed by the Council that, Community Action Council is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

# VIII. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY – PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Equal Opportunity shall be present and take precedence in every personnel action of the Council. Employees shall be governed by the following statement:

No persons shall, on the grounds of race, religion, sex, age, color, national origin, handicap, marital status, sexual orientation, political affiliation or belief be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program, which the Council operates. It is further stated that no employee of the Council may directly or through contractual arrangements, on the grounds of race, religion, sex, age, color, national origin, sexual orientation, marital status, political affiliation or belief deny any individual any services, financial aid or other benefit to an individual which is different, or is provided in any different manner, from that provided to others under the program; subject an individual to segregation or separate treatment in any matter related to the individual's receipt of any service, financial aid, or other benefit under the program; restrict an individual in any way in the enjoyment of any advantage or privilege enjoyed by others receiving any service, financial aid, or other benefit under the program; treat an individual differently from others in determining whether he/she satisfies any admission, enrollment, quota, eligibility, membership or other requirement or condition which individuals must meet in order to be provided any service, financial aid, or other benefit (including employment) provided under the program; deny any individual an opportunity to participate in the program through the provision of services or otherwise afforded others under the program, including the opportunity to participate in the program as an employee; nor any personnel of the Council, through contractual or other arrangements, utilize criteria or methods of administration which have the effect of subjecting individuals to discrimination because of their race, religion, sex, age, color, national origin, handicap, marital status, sexual orientation or political affiliation or belief and, employees shall be aware that this prohibition against discrimination includes the receipt and utilization of non-Federal share, contributions, volunteer services, or any other direct or indirect benefits or asset to the Council and against discrimination.

Employees that fail to adhere to the policy are subject to immediate disciplinary action. When "a finding of a fact" of discrimination is found, corrective action will be taken immediately.

Implementation of the Equal Opportunity Policy and Affirmative Action Plan and Programs by employees shall constitute a major factor in the performance rating of the employee.

#### IX. GRIEVANCE AND APPEAL PROCEDURES

#### A. POLICY

The agency, recognizing the importance of the individual employee to the organization and the desirability of prompt consideration and disposition for the orderly hearing and equitable handling of employee grievances.

- B. DEFINITION: Adverse Action Any action specified below which the Council brings against one or more employees:
  - 1. Termination
  - 2. Demotion
  - 3. Reduction in Salary
  - 4. Probation

- 5. Reduction in Status
- 6. Suspension
- 7. Reprimand
- 8. Warning
- 1. Initiation of Adverse Action: The responsibility for initiating action against an employee or employees rest with the designated supervisor of the employee involved. In case the object of adverse action is the Executive Director, the responsibility rests with the Board of Directors.

Employees are to be treated fairly in all respects. Employees who feel that they have been subjected to unfair treatment or discrimination should have the right to present their grievances according to the grievance procedure in the employee's Personnel Policies and Procedures Handbook.

All employees are covered by a recommended dispute resolution/grievance procedure which is located in the employee's Personnel Policies and Procedures Handbook.

Council employees with a grievance must first go through the agency's procedure and then if the employee is not satisfied he/she may appeal to the Board by filing a request with the Chairman of the Board, thus moving into this process at Step 4 of the formal grievance procedure. Both the Council and the employee will be notified in writing within five working days of the decision. The Board's decision is binding on the behalf of the Council.

The governing body's action should be considered as satisfying the Council's obligation regarding the consideration of employee grievances.

# X. DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

Definition: Complaint – A complaint arises from any person who believes he/she has encountered discrimination because of race, religion, sex, age, color, national origin, handicap, marital status, sexual orientation, political affiliation or belief.

1. A formal signed written complaint shall be addressed to a Hearing Officer designated by the Urban County Government's Affirmative Action Officer. The formal complaint should contain the following elements of information:

- a. Specification of the nature of the discriminatory practice (i.e., race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, handicap, marital status, sexual orientation, political affiliation or belief).
- b. Date or time period within which the discriminatory practice is alleged to have occurred.
- c. Identification of any Federal, State, or local fair employment practices commissions to which the practice has been reported (if the charge concerns a prohibited discriminatory employment practice).
- 2. The hearing should be scheduled within thirty working days from the time the complaint is filed. As with all hearings the aggrieved person may have present and/or be represented by a person of his/her choice.

# XI. MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS AND REPORTS RELATING TO EQUAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY

The Council shall maintain on file for review for a period of no less than two years all applications for employment, the selection criteria and process utilized to select each person for employment.

The Council shall maintain on file for review for a period of no less than twenty years all personnel files and records.

The Council shall maintain on file for review for a period of no less than fifteen years all records and proceedings of complaints of discrimination and grievance procedures.

The Council shall document and maintain a record of its efforts and activities in the implementation of Equal Opportunity Policy and Affirmative Action Plan and Program for a period of no less than fifteen years.

The Council shall develop and maintain on file all of the data utilized in the study and survey to determine the areas of needed improvement and correction for a period not to exceed three years, and the date developed and utilized for each annual improvement and updating of the Equal Opportunity Policy and Affirmative Action Plan and Program for a period not to exceed three years.

# XII. PARTICIPATION IN PROGRAM PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION

The By-Laws of the Community Action Council will clearly delineate what method is to be used to ensure that all major ethnic groups are reasonably represented on the Board and its committees; through such committees, these members will participate in program planning, development and evaluation.

The membership and Human Rights Committee of the Board will review current membership composition of the private sector of the Board and recommend selections for the next vacancies from any minority group not representing for all groups.

The development, implementation and evaluation of the Affirmative Action Program will involve the poor and low-income residents through their representation on the Community Action Council Board of Directors, Advisory Committees, delegated programs and target area community organizations. Certain funding sources require the submission of the Council Affirmative Action Plan as a condition of funding.

The Board of Directors, Advisory Board, and/or staff of each program account covered under the Affirmative Action Program should reasonably reflect the minority composition of the target population of that program.



# LFUCG MWDBE PARTICIPATION FORM Bid/RFP/Quote Reference # 52-2017

The MWDBE and/or veteran subcontractors listed have agreed to participate on this Bid/RFP/Quote. If any substitution is made or the total value of the work is changed prior to or after the job is in progress, it is understood that those substitutions must be submitted to Central Purchasing for approval immediately. **Failure to submit a completed form may cause rejection of the bid.** 

MWDBE Company, Name, Address, Phone, Email	MBE WBE or DBE	Work to be Performed	Total Dollar Value of the Work	% Value of Total Contract
1. None	None	None	None	None
2.				
3.				
4.				

The undersigned company representative submits the above list of MWDBE firms to be used in accomplishing the work contained in this Bid/RFP/Quote. Any misrepresentation may result in the termination of the contract and/or be subject to applicable Federal and State laws concerning false statements and false claims.

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01.09.18	Executive Director
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# MWDBE QUOTE SUMMARY FORM Bid/RFP/Quote Reference #\_\_\_ 52-2017

The undersigned acknowledges that the minority and/or veteran subcontractors listed on this form did submit a quote to participate on this project. Failure to submit this form may cause rejection of the bid.

Company Name Community Action Council	Contact Person Malcolm Ratchford
Address/Phone/Email 710 W High Street 8592334600 Malcolm.Ratchford@commaction.org	Bid Package / Bid Date  RFP#52-2017  January 11, 2018

MWDBE Company Address	Contact Person	Contact Information (work phone, Email, cell)	Date Contacted	Services to be performed	Method of Communication (email, phone meeting, ad, event etc)	Total dollars \$\$ Do Not Leave Blank (Attach Documentation)	MBE * AA HA AS NA Female	Veteran
None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None

(MBE designation / AA=African American / HA= Hispanic American/AS = Asian American/Pacific Islander/NA= Native American)

The undersigned acknowledges that all information is accurate. Any misrepresentation may result in termination of the contract and/or be subject to applicable Federal and State laws concerning false statements and claims.

Community Action Council	Of In me
Company	Company Representative
01.09.18	Executive Director
Date	Title

# LFUCG STATEMENT OF GOOD FAITH EFFORTS Bid/RFP/Quote #\_\_\_\_52-2017

By the signature below of an authorized company representative, we certify that we have utilized the following Good Faith Efforts to obtain the maximum participation by MWDBE and Veteran-Owned business enterprises on the project and can supply the appropriate documentation.
Advertised opportunities to participate in the contract in at least two (2) publications of general circulation media; trade and professional association publications; small and minority business or trade publications; and publications or trades targeting minority, women and disadvantaged businesses not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the deadline for submission of bids to allow MWDBE firms and Veteran-Owned businesses to participate.
Included documentation of advertising in the above publications with the bidders good faith efforts package
Attended LFUCG Central Purchasing Economic Inclusion Outreach event
Attended pre-bid meetings that were scheduled by LFUCG to inform MWDBEs and/or Veteran-Owned Businesses of subcontracting opportunities
Sponsored Economic Inclusion event to provide networking opportunities for prime contractors and MWDBE firms and Veteran-Owned businesses
Requested a list of MWDBE and/or Veteran subcontractors or suppliers from LFUCG and showed evidence of contacting the companies on the list(s).
Contacted organizations that work with MWDBE companies for assistance in finding certified MWBDE firms and Veteran-Owned businesses to work on this project. Those contacted and their responses should be a part of the bidder's good faith efforts documentation.
Sent written notices, by certified mail, email or facsimile, to qualified, certified MWDBEs soliciting their participation in the contract not less than seven (7) days prior to the deadline for submission of bids to allow them to participate effectively.
Followed up initial solicitations by contacting MWDBEs and Veteran-Owned businesses to determine their level of interest.
Provided the interested MWBDE firm and/or Veteran-Owned business with adequate and timely information about the plans, specifications, and requirements of the contract.
Selected portions of the work to be performed by MWDBE firms and/or Veteran-Owned businesses in order to increase the likelihood of meeting the contract goals. This includes, where appropriate, breaking out contract work

items into economically feasible units to facilitate MWDBE and Veterar participation, even when the prime contractor may otherwise perform these work items with its own workforce
Negotiated in good faith with interested MWDBE firms and Veteran-Owned businesses not rejecting them as unqualified without sound reasons based on a thorough investigation of their capabilities. Any rejection should be so noted in writing with a description as to why an agreement could not be reached.
Included documentation of quotations received from interested MWDBE firms and Veteran-Owned businesses which were not used due to uncompetitive pricing or were rejected as unacceptable and/or copies of responses from firms indicating that they would not be submitting a bid.
Bidder has to submit sound reasons why the quotations were considered unacceptable. The fact that the bidder has the ability and/or desire to perform the contract work with its own forces will not be considered a sound reason for rejecting a MWDBE and/or Veteran-Owned business's quote. Nothing in this provision shall be construed to require the bidder to accept unreasonable quotes in order to satisfy MWDBE and Veteran goals.
Made an effort to offer assistance to or refer interested MWDBE firms and Veteran-Owned businesses to obtain the necessary equipment, supplies, materials, insurance and/or bonding to satisfy the work requirements of the bid proposal
Made efforts to expand the search for MWBE firms and Veteran-Owned businesses beyond the usual geographic boundaries.
X Otherany other evidence that the bidder submits which may show that the bidder has made reasonable good faith efforts to include MWDBE and Veteran participation.
NOTE: Failure to submit any of the documentation requested in this section may be cause for rejection of bid. Bidders may include any other documentation deemed relevant to this requirement which is subject to approval by the MBE Liaison. Documentation of Good Faith Efforts must be submitted with the Bid, if the participation Goal is not met.
The undersigned acknowledges that all information is accurate. Any misrepresentations may result in termination of the contract and/or be subject to applicable Federal and State laws concerning false statements and claims.
Community Action Council  Community Action Council
Company Representative Executive Director
Date Title

Date

# **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

1. Each Respondent shall comply with all Federal, State & Local regulations concerning this type of service or good.

The Respondent agrees to comply with all statutes, rules, and regulations governing safe and healthful working conditions, including the Occupational Health and Safety Act of 1970, 29 U.S.C. 650 et. seq., as amended, and KRS Chapter 338. The Respondent also agrees to notify the LFUCG in writing immediately upon detection of any unsafe and/or unhealthful working conditions at the job site. The Respondent agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the LFUCG harmless from all penalties, fines or other expenses arising out of the alleged violation of said laws.

- 2. Failure to submit ALL forms and information required in this RFP may be grounds for disqualification.
- 3. Addenda: All addenda and IonWave Q&A, if any, shall be considered in making the proposal, and such addenda shall be made a part of this RFP. Before submitting a proposal, it is incumbent upon each proposer to be informed as to whether any addenda have been issued, and the failure to cover in the bid any such addenda may result in disqualification of that proposal.
- 4. Proposal Reservations: LFUCG reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to award in whole or part, and to waive minor immaterial defects in proposals. LFUCG may consider any alternative proposal that meets its basic needs.
- 5. Liability: LFUCG is not responsible for any cost incurred by a Respondent in the preparation of proposals.
- 6. Changes/Alterations: Respondent may change or withdraw a proposal at any time prior to the opening; however, no oral modifications will be allowed. Only letters, or other formal written requests for modifications or corrections of a previously submitted proposal which is addressed in the same manner as the proposal, and received by LFUCG prior to the scheduled closing time for receipt of proposals, will be accepted. The proposal, when opened, will then be corrected in accordance with such written request(s), provided that the written request is contained in a sealed envelope which is plainly marked "modifications of proposal".
- 7. Clarification of Submittal: LFUCG reserves the right to obtain clarification of any point in a bid or to obtain additional information from a Respondent.
- 8. Bribery Clause: By his/her signature on the bid, Respondent certifies that no employee of his/hers, any affiliate or Subcontractor, has bribed or attempted to

bribe an officer or employee of the LFUCG.

- 9. Additional Information: While not necessary, the Respondent may include any product brochures, software documentation, sample reports, or other documentation that may assist LFUCG in better understanding and evaluating the Respondent's response. Additional documentation shall not serve as a substitute for other documentation which is required by this RFP to be submitted with the proposal,
- 10. Ambiguity, Conflict or other Errors in RFP: If a Respondent discovers any ambiguity, conflict, discrepancy, omission or other error in the RFP, it shall immediately notify LFUCG of such error in writing and request modification or clarification of the document if allowable by the LFUCG.
- 11. Agreement to Bid Terms: In submitting this proposal, the Respondent agrees that it has carefully examined the specifications and all provisions relating to the work to be done attached hereto and made part of this proposal. By acceptance of a Contract under this RFP, proposer states that it understands the meaning, intent and requirements of the RFP and agrees to the same. The successful Respondent shall warrant that it is familiar with and understands all provisions herein and shall warrant that it can comply with them. No additional compensation to Respondent shall be authorized for services or expenses reasonably covered under these provisions that the proposer omits from its Proposal.
- 12. Cancellation: If the services to be performed hereunder by the Respondent are not performed in an acceptable manner to the LFUCG, the LFUCG may cancel this contract for cause by providing written notice to the proposer, giving at least thirty (30) days notice of the proposed cancellation and the reasons for same. During that time period, the proposer may seek to bring the performance of services hereunder to a level that is acceptable to the LFUCG, and the LFUCG may rescind the cancellation if such action is in its best interest.

# A. Termination for Cause

- (1) LFUCG may terminate a contract because of the contractor's failure to perform its contractual duties
- (2) If a contractor is determined to be in default, LFUCG shall notify the contractor of the determination in writing, and may include a specified date by which the contractor shall cure the identified deficiencies. LFUCG may proceed with termination if the contractor fails to cure the deficiencies within the specified time.
- (3) A default in performance by a contractor for which a contract may be terminated shall include, but shall not necessarily be limited to:

- (a) Failure to perform the contract according to its terms, conditions and specifications;
- (b) Failure to make delivery within the time specified or according to a delivery schedule fixed by the contract;
- (c) Late payment or nonpayment of bills for labor, materials, supplies, or equipment furnished in connection with a contract for construction services as evidenced by mechanics' liens filed pursuant to the provisions of KRS Chapter 376, or letters of indebtedness received from creditors by the purchasing agency;
- (d) Failure to diligently advance the work under a contract for construction services;
- (e) The filing of a bankruptcy petition by or against the contractor; or
- (f) Actions that endanger the health, safely or welfare of the LFUCG or its citizens.

## B. At Will Termination

Notwithstanding the above provisions, the LFUCG may terminate this contract at will in accordance with the law upon providing thirty (30) days written notice of that intent, Payment for services or goods received prior to termination shall be made by the LFUCG provided these goods or services were provided in a manner acceptable to the LFUCG. Payment for those goods and services shall not be unreasonably withheld.

- 13. Assignment of Contract: The contractor shall not assign or subcontract any portion of the Contract without the express written consent of LFUCG. Any purported assignment or subcontract in violation hereof shall be void. It is expressly acknowledged that LFUCG shall never be required or obligated to consent to any request for assignment or subcontract; and further that such refusal to consent can be for any or no reason, fully within the sole discretion of LFUCG.
- 14. No Waiver: No failure or delay by LFUCG in exercising any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder, nor any single or partial exercise thereof, nor the exercise of any other right, remedy, power or privilege shall operate as a waiver hereof or thereof. No failure or delay by LFUCG in exercising any right, remedy, power or privilege under or in respect of this Contract shall affect the rights, remedies, powers or privileges of LFUCG hereunder or shall operate as a waiver thereof.
- 15. Authority to do Business: The Respondent must be a duly organized and authorized to do business under the laws of Kentucky. Respondent must be in good standing and have full legal capacity to provide the services specified under this Contract. The Respondent must have all necessary right and lawful authority to enter into this Contract for the full term hereof and that proper corporate or

other action has been duly taken authorizing the Respondent to enter into this Contract. The Respondent will provide LFUCG with a copy of a corporate resolution authorizing this action and a letter from an attorney confirming that the proposer is authorized to do business in the State of Kentucky if requested. All proposals must be signed by a duly authorized officer, agent or employee of the Respondent.

- 16. Governing Law: This Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. In the event of any proceedings regarding this Contract, the Parties agree that the venue shall be the Fayette County Circuit Court or the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, Lexington Division. All parties expressly consent to personal jurisdiction and venue in such Court for the limited and sole purpose of proceedings relating to this Contract or any rights or obligations arising thereunder. Service of process may be accomplished by following the procedures prescribed by law.
- 17. Ability to Meet Obligations: Respondent affirmatively states that there are no actions, suits or proceedings of any kind pending against Respondent or, to the knowledge of the Respondent, threatened against the Respondent before or by any court, governmental body or agency or other tribunal or authority which would, if adversely determined, have a materially adverse effect on the authority or ability of Respondent to perform its obligations under this Contract, or which question the legality, validity or enforceability hereof or thereof.
- 18. Contractor understands and agrees that its employees, agents, or subcontractors are not employees of LFUCG for any purpose whatsoever. Contractor is an independent contractor at all times during the performance of the services specified.
- 19. If any term or provision of this Contract shall be found to be illegal or unenforceable, the remainder of the contract shall remain in full force and such term or provision shall be deemed stricken.
- 20. Contractor [or Vendor or Vendor's Employees] will not appropriate or make use of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) name or any of its trade or service marks or property (including but not limited to any logo or seal), in any promotion, endorsement, advertisement, testimonial or similar use without the prior written consent of the government. If such consent is granted LFUCG reserves the unilateral right, in its sole discretion, to immediately terminate and revoke such use for any reason whatsoever. Contractor agrees that it shall cease and desist from any unauthorized use immediately upon being notified by LFUCG.

Phile for me Signature 01-09.18 Date



# Office of the Executive Director

PO Box 11610 Lexington, Kentucky 40576 859-244-2212 Fax: 859-244-2219 malcolm.ratchford@commaction.org

# **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** January 04, 2018

TO: Michele Lee, Chairperson (via email)

FROM: Malcolm Ratchford, Executive Director

COPY: Strategic Leadership Group (via email)

**Sharon Price** 

Steve Amato (via email)

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Front Desk – 710 (via email)

**RE:** Planned Absence, January 08-12, 2018

I will be out of the office from January 08-12, 2018 attending the Management and Leadership Training Conference at Houston, Texas.

Sharon Price, Director of Child Development, is authorized to exercise the functions and authority of the Executive Director as established by the Board of Directors and in the best interests of Community Action Council during this absence.

Copies of this memorandum should be attached to any funding source reports, contracts or other documents that have a legal character to confirm that he has been authorized to act on my behalf.

Malcolm Ratchford Executive Director

# **Kentucky Association of Counties All Lines Fund**

400 Englewood Drive Frankfort, KY 40601 **Declarations Page** 

**Policy Number** P&C0213 **Insured Name and Address** 

For customer service please call (800)264-5226

Community Action Council PO Box 11610 Lexington, KY 40576

Issued:

05/30/2017

Policy Period: 7/1/2017 to 7/1/2018

**Business Description** 

Community Action

In return for the payment of the premium, and subject to all the terms of the policy, we agree to provide the insurance stated in the binder.

Coverage			Deductible
General Liability (Per OCC/AGG)	5,000,000	5,000,000	0
Law Enforcement (Per OCC/AGG)	NCD	NCD	NCD
Errors/Ommissions (Per OCC/AGG)	5,000,000	5,000,000	1,000
Employment Practices (Per claim/AGG)	5,000,000	5,000,000	1,000
Cyber Liability (Per claim/AGG, including \$500,000 in privacy response expense)	1,000,000	1,000,000	2,500
Auto Liability (CSL)	5,000,000		0
Auto Comprehensive	ACV		500
Auto Collision	ACV		500
P.I.P. (No Fault)	10,000		0
Under Insured/Un-Insured	60,000		0
Non Owned Auto Coverage	Primary	*	
Property/Buildings	As Per Statement on File	500	
Personal Property	As Per Statement on File	500	
Boiler & Machinery	15,000,000	1,000	
Inland Marine & EDP	As Per Statement on File	500	
Business Income	500,000	500,000	0
Flood	1,000,000	1,000,000	0
Earthquake	N/A	N/A	N/A
Crime (Other than Employee Dishonesty)	150,000		500
Employee Dishonesty	150,000		250
(Policy #: CIC1964)			
Legal Defense Coverage	100,000		0

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Date 5/30/2017

# KACo WORKERS COMPENSATION FUND

400 Englewood Drive Frankfort, KY 40601 1-800-264-5226

# CERTIFICATE OF WORKERS COMPENSATION COVERAGE

KACO W/C-4				
ITEM 1 -	Name and Addr			

ress of Insured:

Community Action Council

PO Box 11610

Lexington, KY 40576

ITEM 2 -

Certificate Number: WC2017-0213

ITEM 3-

Effective Date: Saturday, July 01, 2017

Expiration Date: Sunday, July 01, 2018

12:01 A.M., standard time at the address of the Insured as stated herein.

Cancellation Notice: 60 Days - Pursuant to KRS 304.50

ITEM 4-

Coverage under this Certificate applies to the Kentucky Workers Compensation Law. (KRS 342)

ITEM 5 -

Company's Limit of Indemnity Each Occurrence:

(a) For Workers Compensation:

Statutory

(b) For Employers Liability:

\$2,500,000

ITEM 6-

Workers Compensation Premium:

\$96,076.00

ITEM 7-

Special Fund Tax:

\$6,043.00

ITEM 8 -

TOTAL PREMIUM:\*

\$102,119.00

ITEM 9 -

Payment Options:

- (1) Full payment by 8/1/2017. 1% discount applied = \$101,097.81
- (2) 50% payment by 8/1/2017 and 3 subsequent equal monthly pmts. on balance. 50% = \$51,059.51 Plus 3 monthly payments of \$17,019.83

Please Note: Effective November 1, 2017 any outstanding balance due on this premium will accrue a compounding monthly interest charge of 1%. To make certain no interest is charged, be sure to make full payment postmarked no later than October 31, 2017

This Certificate of Coverage shall not be binding of the KACo Workers Compensation Fund unless countersigned by a duly authorized representative of the Fund.

This Coverage has been placed with a Workers Compensation Self-Insured Group which has received a certificate of filing from the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Claims against group members are not covered by the Kentucky Insurance Guaranty Association.

Dated at Frankfort, Kentucky this 30th day of May, 2017

Mark Miller, Director

KACo Making Workers Comp Work in Kentucky

<sup>\*</sup> An invoice accompanies this declaration for the total amount due.