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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

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Mr. Chris Ford, Commissioner of Social Services Lexington Fayette Urban County Government 200 E. Main Street Lexington, KY 40508

Re: Intent for nonrenewal of ESR funding

Commissioner Ford,

We appreciate the LFUCG funding of \$1,000,000 for the Emergency Shelter operations for FY18-19 from the General Fund. LFUCG and the Hope Center Have been partners in providing the emergency shelter services since 1992 when our original lease was signed and this is much needed funding to support our continuing operations.

The Hope Center would like to express our intent to decline ESR funding that is designated to the Shelter, Food Insecurity and Mental Health and Recovery Programs. The funding that is being provided for the operation of the Emergency Shelter is much more essential as shelter operations has the least potential for outside funding. There are more funding opportunities to support our Drug/Alcohol Recovery Programs and Mental Health program. We are aware of the increasing need for Drug/Alcohol recovery services and plan to continue this program through new funding opportunities such as SAMHSA funding in addition to new opioid targeted funding.

We have in the past been able to secure SAMHSA funding for the recovery programs and recently submitted such a grant. In addition, there are federal and state opportunities for such programs that do not exist for the Emergency Shelter. Therefore, the LFUCG funding for the Emergency Shelter will enable us to increase our potential for overall funding outside of the local community.

Please let us know if you have any other questions or need further information.

Sincerely,

Cecil Dunn, Executive Director

Janice James, MSW, LCSW, Administrative Deputy Director

Jeff Crook, Chief Financial Officer

CC: Polly A. Ruddick, Director

Office of Homelessness Prevention & Intervention