

TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR

URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM: CHARLIE LANTER, DIRECTOR

DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

DATE: MARCH 20, 2019

SUBJECT Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grant Application

Request:

Request Council authorization to submit a grant application on behalf of the Lexington-Fayette County Continuum of Care to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development requesting federal funding up to \$15,000,000 for the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project.

Why are you requesting?

The Office of Homelessness Prevention & Intervention serves as the Collaborative Applicant for HUD homelessness programming on behalf of Lexington's network of homeless providers and stakeholders. As the Collaborative Applicant, OHPI is the only eligible applicant for a HUD grant entitled Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP). The YHDP will support the development and implementation of a coordinated community approach to preventing and ending homelessness for people ages 24 and younger. This application is awarded to the Lexington-Fayette County Continuum of Care. If awarded, specific project applications and grants will be made through an RFP process and approved by the Homelessness Prevention and Intervention Board. Specific project funding can be used for coordination, transitional housing, host homes, housing first, positive youth development model, shared housing, and coordinated entry. Organizations applying for grant funds will be responsible for a 25% match requirement on the amount awarded.

If selected, funds up to \$15,000,000 will be made available in spring 2020 to Lexington homeless providers to implement housing and supportive service projects that address youth homelessness. This is a 2-year grant term renewable under the CoC Program Competition.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? There is no cost at this time.

Are the funds budgeted: Budget Amendments will be completed if the grant is awarded.

File Number: 0334-19

Director/Commissioner: Ruddick/Hamilton

