

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT

Budget, Finance, and Economic Development
Committee

November 28, 2017



LEXINGTON

Background

- ❑ \$300,000 was authorized in Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Adopted Budget – an increase from \$150,000 in (FY) 2017.
- ❑ Funds for (FY) 2019 will be contingent on approval of the funds in the (FY) 2019 Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) budget cycle and contingent on each agency completing their respective grant outcomes.

Background (continued)

- ☐ Grant applicants could apply for 2-year funding cycle.
Note: FY'18 is defined as 7/1/17 – 6/30/18
FY'19 is defined as 7/1/18 – 6/30/19
- ☐ Up to \$75,000 could be awarded this application cycle to partnership applications.
- ☐ Up to \$30,000 could be awarded this application cycle to individual agency applications.

Funding & Eligibility

- ❑ Funds are to support impactful approaches in defined areas of economic development.
- ❑ Be located in Lexington-Fayette County and provide services and placements in Lexington-Fayette County.
- ❑ Be a Lexington-Fayette Urban County public, nonprofit, or private agency that has a business license with the LFUCG Department of Revenue.

Scoring Committee

- ❑ Hilary Angelucci (*Urban County Council - Aide to Councilmember Henson*)
- ❑ Sarah Ausmus (*UK Doctorate Student – Public Policy & Administration*)
- ❑ Jasie Curtis (*Finance Dept. - Finance & Investment Analyst*)
- ❑ Elodie Dickinson (*Economic Development - Workforce Development Manager*)
- ❑ Arthur Lucas (*CAO - Officer of Diversity & Inclusion*)

Scoring Committee- Areas of Review

- ☐ Workforce Need
- ☐ Program Impact
- ☐ Budget
- ☐ Performance Measurement
- ☐ Partnerships
- ☐ Evidence of Success
- ☐ Funding Sources

Scoring Notes (continued)

- ☐ A total of fourteen (14) agencies applied for funding.
- ☐ A total of \$522,950 of funding was requested.

- ☐ A total of ten (10) agencies are being recommended for funding.
- ☐ A total of \$300,000 in funding is being recommended.

- ☐ Applications were entered via Formstack
(<https://www.lexingtonky.gov/economic-development>).

Scoring Notes (continued)

- ☐ All current grant recipients applied and are being recommended for funding in the FY'18-FY'19 funding round.
- ☐ Three (3) applicants applied in partnership with another agency.
- ☐ Four (4) new applicants applied for funding.
- ☐ Partnerships currently receiving funding from FY'17 did not apply as partners for this round.



Recommendations

Grant Recommendations (2018 & 2019)

Agency Partnerships:

Amount

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| 1. <i>Jubilee Jobs / Lexington Rescue Mission</i> | \$59,500 |
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Purpose:

Provide 2-week, 7-step jobs training program in partnership with Lexington Rescue Mission (to provide the work-based learning and re-entry support).

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| 2. <i>The Plantory / Food Chain</i> | \$55,000 |
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Purpose:

Provide Food Sector Job Training Program to participants in FoodChain's processing kitchen.

Grant Recommendations (2018 & 2019)

Agency:

Amount:

3. *OWL (Opportunity for Work & Learning)* \$26,000

Purpose:

Provide Forklift or Customer Service Representative Skills
Certifications, job readiness, and soft skills.

4. *Community Action Council* \$26,000

Purpose:

Provide CDA (Child Development Associate) credential,
Commercial Driver's License (CDL), and work readiness skills.

Grant Recommendations (2018 & 2019)

Agency:

Amount:

5. *Building Institute of Central Kentucky* \$26,000
Purpose:
Provide classroom, lab training, and licensure for HVAC, plumbing, electric, carpentry, and property maintenance. Will also provide training for: OSHAL 10, First Aid, CPR, and EPA608.

6. *Hospice of the Bluegrass (Bluegrass Care Navigators)* \$25,000
Purpose:
Provide tuition scholarships for participants to earn Certified Nurse Aid (CNA) certification, and to pay for their books and State Competency Evaluation test.

Grant Recommendations (2018 & 2019)

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| 7. | <i>Dress For Success</i> | \$22,500 |
| | <u>Purpose:</u>
Provide customized mentoring in job seeking strategies, employment placement and retention for unemployed females in Fayette County. | |
| 8. | <i>Urban League of Lexington</i> | \$22,500 |
| | <u>Purpose:</u>
Provide Certified Fiber Optic Technician training course to teach participants to install, terminate, and test multi-mode fiber optic networks to existing standards. Prepare participants to take the Certified Fiber Optic Technician exam. Will cover soft skills. | |

Grant Recommendations (2018 & 2019)

Agency:

Amount:

9. *Build Inclusion Inc.*

\$20,000

Purpose:

Provide high school students and young adults with disabilities with Pre-Employment Transition Services, Internships, Work-Based Learning opportunities, and employment.

10. Community Ventures

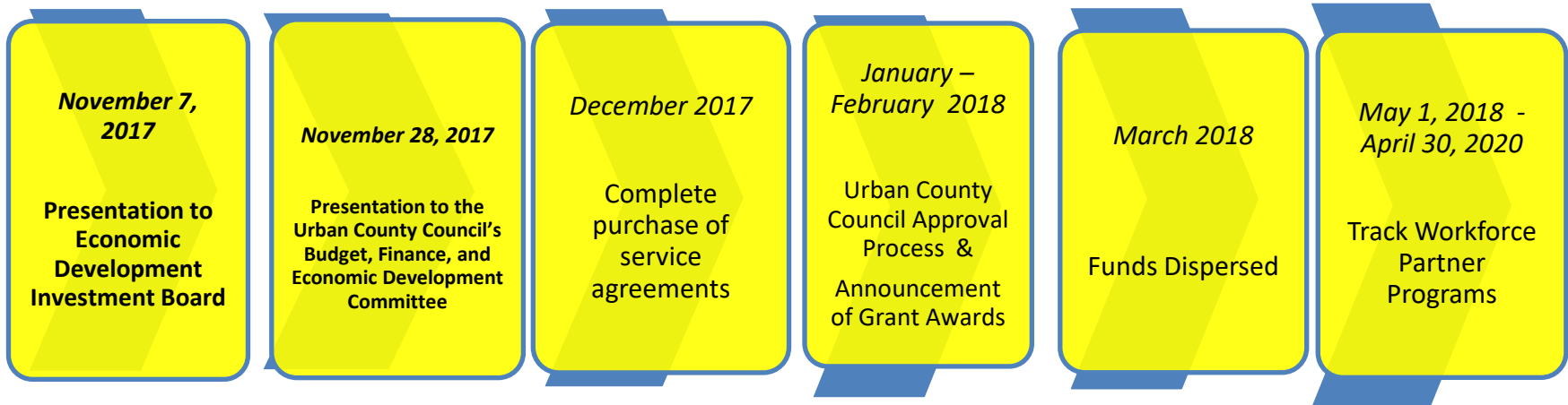
\$17,500

Purpose:

Provide entrepreneurial support to women starting or expanding a business in Fayette County (*Women's Business Center of Kentucky*).



Timeline





Questions?