

LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY

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Equal Housing Opportunity

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Austin J. Simms Executive Director Charlie Lantern
Office of Homeless Prevention and Intervention
Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
101 East Vine Street, Suite 175
Lexington, KY 40507

Dear Mr. Lantern:

The Lexington Housing Authority set aside seventy five (75) Housing Choice Vouchers to serve homeless and low income veterans in Lexington/Fayette County in April 2015. In order to qualify for this voucher, the veteran should have at least one day of active duty, pass a background check and meet income limits. As of today's date, we have housed forty households.

With the population that is being served, even though the voucher is available to the veteran, there are other barriers that the veteran faces, such as not having funds to pay application fees and deposits. If a veteran has no funds, the application fee and deposit can be the difference in being housed or remaining homeless.

We are requesting funding in the amount of \$8,000 to assist with eliminating the barriers for the veteran. Should the funds be granted, the assistance would be paid directly to the landlord, not to exceed \$700 per veteran. Veterans with no income and not eligible for services from other organizations would have preference to these funds.

If you have questions concerning this request, please feel free to contact our office.

Respectfully,

Austin Simms
Executive Director