

Mayor Jim Gray

LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Division of Grants and Special Programs

TO:

IIM GRAY, MAYOR

URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM:

IRENE GOODING, DIRECTOR

DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

DATE:

MARCH 21, 2012

SUBJECT:

REQUEST COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS,

AND ACCEPT AWARDS IF OFFERED, TO THE KENTUCKY

TRANSPORTATION CABINET FOR PARTICIPATION IN TRAFFIC

SAFETY PROGRAMS - FY 2013

The Division of Police has prepared two applications for submission to the Governor's Highway Safety Program in the Department of Transportation Safety/Kentucky Transportation Cabinet requesting federal funding for continuation of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government's Traffic Safety Programs for FY 2013. These federal funds originate from the U.S. Department of Transportation's Highway Safety Standards Branch. These programs are:

- Traffic Safety Program. Federal funding in the amount of \$135,000 is requested. No matching funds are required. If approved, funds will be used to continue the utilization of officers on an overtime basis to detect speeders, intoxicated drivers, those not wearing occupant protection, and drivers running red lights. Funds will also be used for participation in the Life Savers Conference (required) and for purchase of minor equipment to include PBT (preliminary breath test) units and tint meters (used for detecting seat belt and booster seat violations in vehicles with excessively tinted windows.)
- Speed Enforcement Project. Federal funding in the amount of \$25,000 is requested. No matching funds are required. If approved, federal funds will be used for officer overtime for enforcement of the speed limit laws. The goal of this program is to reduce the number of speed related collisions.

Council authorization to submit applications, and accept awards if offered, is hereby requested.

Irene Gooding, Director