



**TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR  
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: THERESA REYNOLDS, DIRECTOR  
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

**DATE: JUNE 4, 2026**

**SUBJECT: Kentucky Emergency Management (KYEM) FY2027 Search and Rescue Aid (SAR) Program**

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**Request:** Council authorization to submit an application, and accept if offered a Kentucky Emergency Management, Search and Rescue Aid Program grant award in the amount of \$14,760.00 for FY 2027. Funding will be utilized to purchase rescue equipment for the Division of Fire, Special Operations Command, for use in rescue operations. There is no local match required.

**Purpose of Request:** The Kentucky Emergency Management, Search and Rescue Aid Program is a statutorily created program to provide funding to rescue squads to reduce and prevent loss of life by creating a better equipped, trained, and coordinated rescue force throughout the Commonwealth. The Division of Fire and Emergency Services serves as the rescue squad to Fayette County. This is done by Council action adopting a resolution accepting a Statement of Affiliation with LFUCG, Division of Emergency Management and Kentucky Emergency Management annually. Current resolution in place is R-346-2025, adopted 07/01/2025.

**What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?** The cost for Fiscal Year 2027 is \$14,760.00. No matching funds are required. Future years funding is dependent upon availability of grant funding.

**Are the funds budgeted?** FY2027 Budget Amendment will be forthcoming, if an award is offered.

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**Director/Commissioner:** Wells/Armstrong

