




TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Urban County Council

FROM: 
Jennifer M. Carey, P.E., Director
Division of Environmental Services

DATE: May 29, 2026

SUBJECT: MOA with Solar Energy Solutions for the Solarize Lexington Program

Request

The purpose of this memorandum is to request authorization of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between LFUCG and Solar Energy Solutions for the 2026 Solarize Lexington Program.

Why are you requesting?

The Solarize Lexington Program is an initiative to promote and encourage the use of photovoltaic arrays (PV) on residential and non-residential properties. It is a group-buying program designed to deliver cost-competitive solar installations. Solar Energy Solutions (SES) has been selected pursuant to RFP #25-2026, as the installer for the 2026 Solarize Lexington Program, which includes all six counties in the Lexington-Fayette County Metropolitan Statistical Area, including Bourbon, Clark, Fayette, Jessamine, Scott, and Woodford counties.

As part of this MOA, SES will also provide solar PV installations for qualified low- to moderate-income homeowners (Fayette County only). Funds for the low- to moderate-income grant recipients were allocated as part of the 2025 fund balance and are anticipated to cover the waitlist of interested homeowners from the previous iteration of the Solarize Lexington Program.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?

\$460,000 was budgeted in FY26 and is the maximum allocation that can be expensed under this service contract. No cost is anticipated in future budget years.

Are the funds budgeted?

Yes, funds are budgeted in 1105-313201-3094-78112 2026 PWEV_SOLARIZE ASSISTANCE.

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Director / Commissioner: Carey / Martin

