

TO: JIM GRAY, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM: CHARLIE LANTER, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

DATE: NOVEMBER 26, 2018

SUBJECT 2017 Homeless Management Information System Capacity Building Project

Request: Council authorization to submit the 2017 Homeless Management Information System Capacity Building Project (HMIS), as a Collaborative Applicant, to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development requesting federal funding in an amount up to \$150,000 for improvement of the HMIS system including increasing bed coverage rates and increasing data quality.

Why are you requesting? The Office of Homelessness Prevention & Intervention (OHPI) serves as the Collaborative Applicant on behalf of Lexington's network of homeless providers and stakeholders. The OHPI is requesting funding from the 2017 Homeless Management Information System Capacity Building Project Grant to support capacity building for the Lexington Continuum of Care (CoC) and to make improvements to the current Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) used by the Lexington CoC. HMIS is used to record, analyze, and transmit client and activity data for purposes of providing shelter, housing, and services to individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. The OHPI will be applying for improvement of HMIS system including increasing bed coverage rates and increasing data quality as well as demonstrating a lack of funding from other sources.

If selected by HUD, funds up to \$150,000 will be made available each year for a 2-year grant period. No match is required. Funding will be utilized directly by the LFUCG Office of Homelessness.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? There is no cost at this time. If awarded, a budget amendment will be completed.

Are the funds budgeted: Not applicable.

File Number: 1285-18

Director/Commissioner: Ruddick/Hamilton

