



Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Jim Gray  
Mayor

Ronnie Bastin  
Commissioner

TO: Mayor Jim Gray  
Urban County Council

FROM: Chief Mark Barnard  
Lexington Police Department

CC: Commissioner Ronnie Bastin  
Department of Public Safety

DATE: October 13, 2017

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Understanding (Renewal) – Bluegrass.org

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**Request**

Authorization to accept a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Bluegrass.org (Bluegrass). This is a renewal of an existing MOU.

**Why are you requesting?**

Bluegrass is the community mental health entity of Region 15 of the mental health regions of Kentucky that provides community support programs. The purpose of this MOU is the commitment of both parties to the prevention of harm to self and others in compliance with applicable KY law, Federal law and Bluegrass professional ethical standards for law enforcement officials to be reasonably able to prevent or lessen a serious and imminent threat to the health or safety of an individual or the public. In addition to response services, this partnership also includes the training and education of Lexington Police Officers in the area of Crisis Intervention by Bluegrass.org. The Lexington Police Department is requesting approval from the Urban County Council to authorize Mayor Gray to sign the attached MOU. Upon signing, please return a copy of completed signed MOU.

**What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?** The Lexington Police Department will pay Bluegrass.org \$1,000 per training class of Lexington Police Department personnel for the enrollment in Crisis Intervention Training.

**Are the funds budgeted?** Yes, 1101-505507-5571-71299

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**Director/Commissioner:** Mark Barnard, Chief  
Lexington Police Department

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