



Mayor Jim Gray

LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT
Division of Grants and Special Programs

**TO: JIM GRAY, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: IRENE GOODING, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

DATE: APRIL 12, 2012

**SUBJECT: REQUEST COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE A
SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2011 CONSOLIDATED
PLAN, PROVIDING FOR ACCEPTANCE OF ADDITIONAL
FEDERAL FUNDING FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT UNDER THE
EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT AND APPROVING A NEW
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROJECT--
REQUIRES PUBLIC HEARING ON APRIL 26, 2012**

A substantial amendment is proposed to the 2011 Consolidated Plan. The 2011 Consolidated Plan was approved by the Urban County Council on April 28, 2011 (Ordinance No. 49-2011), approving acceptance of federal funds under the Community Development Block Grant Program, the HOME Investment Partnerships Program, and the Emergency Shelter Grants Program, and approving execution of grant agreements with entities listed in the plan.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has now published the regulations on implementation of the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) program and has offered the LFUCG a second allocation in the amount of \$51,927 for the 2011 Emergency Shelter Grants program/Emergency Solutions Grant Program. In order to receive these funds, LFUCG must prepare and submit to HUD a substantial amendment to its 2011 Consolidated Plan, explaining how the second allocation of funds will be used. Upon consultation with other providers of services to the homeless population, the LFUCG is proposing that \$43,927 in additional ESG funds be used by the Division of Adult and Tenant Services to support rapid rehousing activities for households that meet the definition of homeless and for homelessness prevention activities for households who are at risk of becoming homeless. The LFUCG is also proposing that \$8,000 in federal funds be used for administration of the program. A local match in the amount of \$51,927 is required. Match has been requested from the 2013 General Fund Budget to support activities in the Division of Grants and Special Programs and in the Division of Adult and Tenant Services.

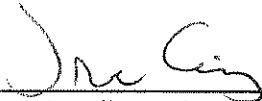
A new project is also proposed under the Community Development Block Grant Program in the 2011 Consolidated Plan. The original plan provided for \$252,000 to be allocated to the Hope Center for construction of a new 154-bed dormitory for homeless men. The Hope Center used other funds for construction of this new facility and has requested that allocation of \$252,000 be

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used to renovate the original Hope Center Shelter at 360 West Loudon Avenue. This renovation will include removal of kitchen, installation of new bathrooms and laundry facilities, reconfiguring offices and dormitory areas, painting, installation of new flooring, and adding insulation. The result will be a shelter for homeless men where all persons will have a cot.

This requirement for a public hearing to review plan amendments is required by both federal regulations and the approved Citizen Participation Plan.

Council authorization to amend the 2011 Consolidated Plan is hereby requested and to accept the herein described federal funds, subject to the availability of sufficient funds in FY 2013



Irene Gooding, Director

Xc: Richard Moloney, Chief Administrative Officer