



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

FROM: CHARLIE LANTER, DIRECTOR, GRANTS & SPECIAL PROGRAMS

DATE: August 16, 2021

**SUBJECT: Accept funds from the 2020 State Homeland Security Grant Program
For Division of Fire**

Request: Council authorization to accept \$47,700 in funding from the 2020 Kentucky Office of Homeland Security Grant, which will fund an 80-hour Structural Collapse Specialist training for the Division of Fire and Emergency Services' Special Operations Teams. No matching funds required.

Purpose of Request: The Kentucky Office of Homeland Security has awarded the Division of Fire and Emergency Services \$47,700 of federal funding from the Fiscal Year 2020 Homeland Security Grant Program. This federally funded program, originating from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, provides financial assistance to the states to prevent, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism.

The grant funding shall be utilized to enhance mass search and rescue capabilities for the Lexington Fire Department Technical Rescue Team and other department teams across Kentucky through an eighty hour Structural Collapse Specialist training course as stated in application 20-133 submitted by the Lexington Fayette Urban County Government. Specific overtime tasks, cost, and projected hours for the training logistics manager must be submitted to FEMA for approval.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? \$47,700 in federal funds has been awarded for Fiscal Year 2022. No matching funds are required. Future years funding is dependent upon availability of grant funding.

Are the funds budgeted? Budget amendment 11264 is in process.

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Director/Commissioner: Wells/Armstrong

