



Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

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TO: JIM GRAY, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM: IRENE GOODING, DIRECTOR
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DATE: NOVEMBER 12, 2015

SUBJECT: Submission of grant application to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security under the 2015 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for Division of Fire and Emergency Services

Request:

Request Council authorization to submit application to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security under the 2015 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program requesting federal funding in the amount of \$391,500 for exhaust extraction system upgrades or replacements for 16 Lexington fire stations.

Why are you requesting?

The purpose of this project is to upgrade or replace exhaust extraction systems (EES) in 16 fire stations with the objective of reducing the exposure of firefighters to diesel exhaust. EES removes highly toxic carcinogenic pollutants from the bays of the fire stations by capturing diesel exhaust at the source, which will eliminate exhaust pollutants from the bays and the living and sleeping quarters of the fire stations. Reducing the exposure of firefighters to diesel exhaust is one of the national fire service's highest priorities with the goal of reducing short-term and long-term disabilities and shortened life spans caused by respiratory illnesses.


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

Total project costs is \$435,000. If grant application is approved, federal funds in the amount of \$391,500 will be available, requiring a grant match of \$43,500.

Are funds budgeted: Grant match is budgeted in fund 1101-505702-5717-78201

File Number: 1441-15

Director/Commissioner: Jackson/Bastin



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