



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

**FROM: THERESA REYNOLDS, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

DATE: JANUARY 6, 2023

**SUBJECT: Acceptance of Additional \$75,150 in funding from the Cabinet for Health
and Family Services for the Lexington Fire Department**

Request: Council approval to execute agreement and accept additional funding for the Kentucky Opioid Response Effort from the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, in the amount of \$75,150 to help fund the Community Paramedicine Program, and council approval for any amendments as needed. No matching funds required.

Purpose of Request: The purpose of the grant is to continue the Quick Response Team capabilities through existing staffing within the Community Paramedicine Program. Grant funding will allow for the continuation of having the firefighter off the line to work with Community Paramedicine and to pay the backfilled overtime costs generated by the move. The Kentucky Opioid Response Effort (KORE) seeks to expand and sustain a comprehensive, equitable recovery-oriented system of care to end the opioid epidemic that has reached into every community in Kentucky. To achieve this aim, KORE and its partners commit to a trauma informed care and anti-racist framework to reduce overdose deaths and increase access to high quality, evidence-based prevention, treatment, and recovery support services.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? \$75,150 in federal funds has been awarded. Future years funding is dependent upon availability of grant funding.

Are the funds budgeted? Budget amendment is in process.

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Director/Commissioner: Wells/Armstrong

