



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
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

DATE: MAY 29, 2015

SUBJECT: Request Council authorization to submit applications to the Kentucky Office Of Homeland Security requesting federal funds for various public safety projects under the 2015 State Homeland Security Grant Program

The Kentucky Office of Homeland Security is accepting applications from local governments requesting federal funding from the Fiscal Year 2015 Homeland Security Grant Program. This federally funded program, originating from the Department of Homeland Security, provides financial assistance to the states to prevent, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism. The states have the responsibility for apportioning funding to local governments. All projects must be related to the Goals and Objectives of the State Homeland Security Strategy. No matching funds are required.

The Division of Fire and Emergency Services has prepared the following application:

Hazardous Material Detection and Mitigation Equipment: Funds are being requested for purchase of one AreaRAE portable air monitoring device. The AreaRAE photo ionization detector has radio frequency capability and measures the amount of specific chemicals in the air and models plume dynamics in a variety of weather conditions. Project cost is \$65,000.

Coded Key Card Entry System: Funds are being requested for equipment to provide coded key card entry into secure EMS supply areas, fire stations, and support facilities. This will enhance security for Fire and EMS facilities, equipment, and supplies. Project cost is \$100,000.

Cyber Security: Funds are being requested for cyber security hardware and software to provide enhanced security against external cyber threats. Project cost is \$8,000.

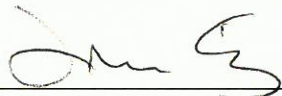
The Division of Police has prepared the following applications:

Hazardous Devices Unit -- Funds are being requested to purchase a multi-purpose training prop. This equipment is intended to provide a safe training venue for specialized units within the agency. The proposed training prop will also benefit first responders from Bluegrass Airport and the Division of Fire and Emergency Services. The proposed training prop will be assembled from repurposed shipping containers and will be located at the Bluegrass Airport Fire Training Facility. Project cost is \$120,000.

Hazardous Devices Unit -- Funds are being requested to purchase a bomb suit to replace a bomb suit acquired in 2009 and to purchase spare SCBA bottles. The cost of the bomb suit is \$18,000 and the cost of four spare SCBA bottles are \$1200 each for a total of \$4,800. Project cost is \$22,800.

Air Support Unit -- Funds are being requested for purchase of a searchlight system for the Police air support unit. This system is fully automated and can be remotely positioned. This searchlight will be used for airborne surveillance and search and rescue operations. The project will include two assemblies so the searchlight can be moved from one helicopter to another with ease. Project cost is \$130,080.

Council authorization to submit the applications is hereby requested.



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Xc: Ronnie Bastin, Commissioner, Department of Public Safety