

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

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

DATE: MARCH 31, 2025

SUBJECT: 2024 Project Safe Neighborhood (PSN) Eastern Grant

Request: Council authorization to accept an award from the Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet 2024 Project Safe Neighborhood (PSN) Eastern grant in the amount of \$79,206 for FY2025. There are no matching funds required.

Purpose of Request: Lexington Police will be part of the Project Safe Neighborhoods Task Force, which includes the US Attorney's Office, ATF, DEA, FBI, ICE, Marshal's Service, Federal Probation & Parole, the Kentucky State Police, State Probation and Parole, the Commonwealth's Attorney, County Attorney, Fayette County Sheriff's Office and Fayette County School Police. The PSN Task Force will increase information sharing and collaboration to identify the violent offenders most likely to continue to engage in violent crime and then develop proactive investigations and post-arrest coordination to prevent further acts of violence and maximize investigative outcomes.

Lexington Police will use funds to purchase IBIS program subscription to allow use of National Integrated Ballistics Information Network (NIBIN) system to identify firearm related crime scene links and determine if Lexington Police Department is in possession of firearms used in crime scenes, cameras to allow for the viewing of violent crimes, ammunition for the test firing of evidence guns taken in by the police department for comparison of violent crime scenes and DNA swab supplies to attempt to locate DNA on recovered firearms.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? \$79,206 has been awarded for FY25. No matching funds are required. Future years funding is dependent upon availability of grant funding.

Are the funds budgeted? Budget will be forthcoming.

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Director/Commissioner: Weathers/Armstrong

