

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:

April 13, 2015

SUBJECT:

Request Council Authorization to submit application to the U.S. Department

of Labor for development and implementation of an employment training

program that targets court-involved youth

The Division of Youth Services has prepared an application for submission to the U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration requesting federal funds in the amount of \$1,050,000 for development and implementation of a court-involved youth employment training program. This project is targeted toward youth who are ages 14 through 24, who have been involved with the court system, and who have never been convicted in the adult criminal system. The program will be designed to systematically improve the workforce outcomes of court-involved youth by helping them to continue their education and obtain industry-recognized credentials that prepare them for jobs in demand industries using career pathways.

The period of performance begins July 1, 2015 and lasts for 39 months.

Federal funds will be used for the hiring of personnel such as a project manager and two case managers. Additionally, funds will be used to purchase educational materials and equipment which includes desks and computers. Other uses of funding include travel, stipends in lieu of salaries for program participants, and supportive services such as costs related to transportation, child care, food, etc that enable the court-involved youth to participate in the employment training program.

No local match is required. These federal funds originate from the U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration, authorized by Section 171 of the Workforce Investment Act and Section 212 of the Second Chance Act of 2007.

Council authorization to submit the application is hereby requested.

Irene Gooding, Director

Xc: Chris Ford, Commissioner of the Department of Social Services