



TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Urban County Council

FROM: 
Charles H. Martin, P.E., Director
Division of Water Quality

DATE: December 19, 2023

SUBJECT: Recommendation for an FY24 (Class B Infrastructure) Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant for The Fayette County Public Schools (FCPS)

Request

The purpose of this memorandum is to request approval of an FY24 (Class B Education) Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant for The Fayette County Public Schools (FCPS) in the amount of \$72,660.00.

Purpose of Request

Grant funds will be used to explore, evaluate, and implement the Tree Canopy Establishment/Expansion by creating (+/-) 360,000 square feet (+/- 8.26 Acres) of additional tree canopy with 500 new trees spread over multiple FCPS locations. The project also has an educational component by providing the opportunity for cohorts of student interns in the FCPS. Experience-Based Career Education Program to be trained by design professionals to gain workplace experience with web-based tools and software applications (such as *Google Earth*, *US EPA National Stormwater Calculator* and/or *iTree*). Other FCPS student interns will earn hands-on experience with tree planting and workforce development in the "green" trade.

Project Cost in FY24 and in Future Budget Years

The grant has been approved for FY 2024 funding by the Water Quality Fees Board in the amount of \$72,660.00.

Are Funds Budgeted

Funds are budgeted in: 4052 – 303204 – 3373 – 78112 – WQINCENTIVE_24 – WQ_GRANT

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