

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:

FEBRUARY 17, 2016

SUBJECT:

Fiscal Year 2017 applications for submission to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet

for participation In Traffic Safety Programs

Request:

Request Council authorization to submit applications, and accept awards if offered, to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet for participation In Traffic Safety Programs to include Traffic Safety, Speed Enforcement, Impaired Driving, and Distracted Driving for Fiscal Year 2017

Purpose of the Request:

The Division of Police has prepared four applications for submission to the Governor's Highway Safety Program in the Department of Transportation Safety/Kentucky Transportation Cabinet requesting federal funding for continuation of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government's Traffic Safety Programs for FY 2017. These federal funds originate from the U.S. Department of Transportation's Highway Safety Standards Branch. These programs are:

- Traffic Safety Program. Federal funding in the amount of \$78,760 is requested. If approved, funds will be used to continue the utilization of officers on an overtime basis to detect speeders and other traffic violators. Funds will also be used for participation in the Life Savers Conference (required) and for purchase of new radar equipment.
- Speed Enforcement Project. Federal funding in the amount of \$77,760 is requested. If approved, federal funds will be used for officer overtime for enforcement of the speed limit laws and for purchase of radar equipment. The goal of this program is to reduce the number of speed related collisions and injuries.
- DUI Enforcement. Federal funding in the amount of \$30,000 is requested. If approved, federal funds will be used for officer overtime for DUI enforcement. The goal of this program is to reduce the number of alcohol related collisions and injuries.
- Distracted Driving. Federal funding in the amount of \$30,000 is requested. If approved, federal funds will be used for officer overtime to conduct distracted driving enforcement in areas of cell phone usage, texting while driving, and other high risk driving habits such as eating, and reading books and papers while driving. The purpose of this grant is to reduce fatalities on Kentucky roadways and to minimize injuries to individuals and property.

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What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?

Total federal funding in the amount of \$216,520 is being requested for Fiscal Year 2017 for officer overtime, Medicare, unemployment, training, and equipment. No local match is required. There is no cost in future budget years.

Are the funds budgeted? If grant applications are approved, funds will be budgeted in Fiscal Year 2017.

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Director/Commissioner: Barnard/Bastin

Irene Gooding, Director