

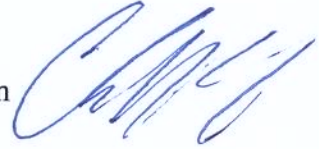
**MEMO**

**To:** Urban County Council members

**From:** Charlie Lanter, Director, Office of Homelessness Prevention & Intervention

**Date:** July 28, 2014

**RE:** MOU to facilitate transition of federal Continuum of Care funding



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This is to request Council authorization for LFUCG to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Central Kentucky Housing and Homeless Initiative (CKHHI), and local homelessness providers who operate federal Continuum of Care grants from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. This MOU is an agreement among the parties to transition the Collaborative Applicant (lead) role for federal homelessness funding in Lexington from CKHHI to LFUCG by June 30, 2015.

CKHHI has served as the Collaborative Applicant for this funding since 2004 when it took over the role from LFUCG. However, HUD has substantially increased administrative burden for applications and operation of the funding since that time. CKHHI has indicated it is unable and unwilling to continue serving in this role and has asked LFUCG to resume the role of Collaborative Applicant.

The agreement will cost LFUCG \$4,000 in administrative funding (matched by the funded organizations) in order to cover administrative and application costs CKHHI will experience including submitting applications and reports due before the transition is complete. This is a one-time expense. Ongoing management of the \$1.5 million in federal homelessness funding will be conducted through the Office of Homelessness Prevention & Intervention. Some of the federal grant funds will be used to pay the cost of most additional work being taken on by LFUCG.

Funds are budgeted in the Office of Homelessness Prevention & Intervention.