



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

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

DATE: MAY 1, 2025

**SUBJECT: Kentucky Office of Homeland Security FFY2025 DHS/FEMA Application
for the Division of Police**

Request: Council authorization to submit an application and accept award if offered, to the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security under the State Homeland Security FFY2025 DHS/FEMA Grant requesting federal funds in the amount of \$435,464.00 for the Division of Police. No matching funds are required.

Purpose of Request: The Kentucky Office of Homeland Security is accepting applications from local governments requesting federal funding from the Homeland Security Grant Program. This federally funded program, originating from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, provides financial assistance to the states to prevent, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism. The states have the responsibility for apportioning funding to local governments.

The Division of Police is preparing an application to purchase an Emergency Response Unit (ERU) Rapid Response Vehicle to replace our current one, which is used to store and transport vital weapons and equipment to the scene of an ERU response. The current vehicle is close to the end of its service life and ongoing engine issues have affected team readiness.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? Lexington Police requests a total of \$435,464.00 in federal funds for Fiscal Year 2026. No matching funds are required. Future years are dependent upon availability of grant funding.

Are the funds budgeted? Budget Amendment will be completed if approved for funding.

File Number: 0473-25

Director/Commissioner: Weathers/Armstrong

