



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

**FROM: CHARLIE LANTER, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

DATE: OCTOBER 12, 2020

SUBJECT: Head Start Program at the Family Care Center

Request:

Council authorization to accept award of federal funds from Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon, Harrison and Nicholas Counties, Inc., in the amount of \$31,692 for provision of early childhood care and education services under the Head Start Program at the Family Care Center for FY 2021.

Purpose of Request:

Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon, Harrison and Nicholas Counties, Inc., (Community Action Council) has offered the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government Division of Family Services federal funds in the amount of \$31,692 for support of early childhood care services beginning August 1, 2020. Services to be provided include early childhood education, health services, social services, and parent involvement as outlined in the Head Start Program Performance Standards.

The Head Start Program is administered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families with the objective of promoting school readiness by enhancing the social and cognitive development of low-income children. The program is authorized by the Head Start Act, as amended by the Improving Head Start for School Readiness Act of 2007, Public Law 110-134, 42 U.S.C 9801.

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

Estimated federal funding for Fiscal Year 2021 is \$31,692. A 25% nonfederal match in the amount of \$8,000 is required. Total project cost for Fiscal Year 2021 is \$39,692. Funds will be used to offset existing personnel and operating costs in the Family Care Center's Early Childhood Education Program. Non-federal match will be documented from existing salaries. Future years' funding is dependent upon availability of federal funds for this program.

Are the funds budgeted? Budget amendment 10837 is in process.

File Number: 1017-20

Director/Commissioner: Joanna Rodes/Chris Ford

