



**TO: JIM GRAY, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: IRENE GOODING, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

DATE: AUGUST 26, 2016

SUBJECT: REFUGEE TARGETED ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Request:

Council authorization to submit application requesting federal funds in the amount of \$22,350, and accept award if offered, from the Kentucky Office for Refugees (KOR) under the Refugee Targeted Assistance Fund for the provision of services to refugees in Fayette County

Purpose of Request:

The purpose of the Refugee Targeted Assistance Program (RTAP), funded under the US Department for Health and Human Services, is to provide direct services to refugees intended to result in the economic self-sufficiency and reduced welfare dependency of refugees through job placements and other social services that remove barriers to obtaining a job.

The Refugee Targeted Assistance Program is administered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Refugee Resettlement with the objective of assisting hard-to-serve refugees by eliminating barriers to employment and achieving self-sufficiency. The program is authorized by the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, as amended (Public Law 82-414).

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

Estimated federal funding for Fiscal Year 2017 is \$22,350. There is no match requirement. Future years' funding is dependent upon availability of federal funds for this program.

Are the funds budgeted?

Budget amendment for Fiscal Year 2017 is in process.

File Number: 1006-16

Director/Commissioner: Isabel Taylor/Chris Ford


Irene Gooding, Director

