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TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR

URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM: THERESA REYNOLDS, DIRECTOR

DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

**DATE:** APRIL 19, 2024

SUBJECT: Professional Services Agreement: Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program for

Fiscal Year 2024

**Request:** Council authorization to execute Professional Services Agreements with Eva Harrison to serve as Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners on an "on-call" basis for the performance of forensic examinations in 2024.

**Purpose of Request:** The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government has received continuation funding (Violence Against Women Act) from the Kentucky Justice Cabinet for the operation of a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner program. The purpose of this program is to improve the collection of forensic evidence in sexual assault cases and to provide the victims of sexual assault with more humane treatment during the investigation. Ultimately, higher rates of reporting will occur along with higher rates of prosecution and conviction. The Kentucky Crime Victims' Compensation Fund also provides financial support for forensic examinations. An approved element of the grant funded project is contracting with certified Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (S.AN.E.s) to serve on-call twenty-four hours a day to respond to calls for examinations at Saint Joseph Hospital. The Professional Services Agreement is for the period of May 16, 2024 through December 31, 2024, and outline the responsibilities and compensation.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? \$72,167 is estimated for FY24. Future budget years are dependent on available grant funds.

**Are the funds budgeted?** Funds for these services are budgeted as follows:

FUND	DEPT ID	SECTION	PROJECT	ACTIVITY	BUD REF	ACCT	AMOUNT
3140	505506	5561	SANE_2024	FED_GRANT	2024	71299	\$57,167.00
3140	505506	5561	SANE3_2024	STA_GRANT	2024	71217	\$15,000.00

The funds budgeted in SANE\_ 2024 are for the purpose of paying contractual nurses for on-call duty and for reimbursement for liability insurance and court appearances. The funds budgeted in SANE3\_2024 are for payment of nurses for forensic examinations. These funds come from the State's Crime Victims Compensation Board.

**File Number:** 0450-24

**Director/Commissioner:** Weathers/Armstrong

