

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into on the 2nd day of April, 2026 by and between the LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT, an Urban County Government of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, created pursuant to KRS Chapter 67A (Hereinafter "Government"), on behalf of its Office of the Urban County Council, and Black Soil Charitable Fund (Hereinafter "Organization"), of 820 Lane Allen Rd. Ste. 176, Lexington, KY 40504, Fayette County.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Urban County Council may allocate Neighborhood Development Funds (NDFs) to any incorporated non-profit organization for any lawful public purpose in the best interest of and for the use and benefit of the community; and

WHEREAS, Organization is a qualified incorporated non-profit organization that has provided outstanding activities for the citizens of Fayette County; and

WHEREAS, Organization accordingly enhances the environment of Lexington; and

WHEREAS, Organization has requested funding for a specific lawful public purpose that is in the best interest of and for the use and benefit of the community.

NOW FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE MUTUAL PROMISES AND COVENANTS HEREIN EXPRESSED, GOVERNMENT AND ORGANIZATION AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. **Amount and Intended Use of Neighborhood Development Funds.** Government hereby grants Organization the sum of \$1,000 (One thousand dollars and zero cents) for the following lawful public purpose:

[For sprout vouchers]
2. **Finalization of Agreement.** Organization shall return this Agreement to the Council Administrator's Office on or before May 3rd, 2026. If Organization fails to sign and return this Agreement within 30 days, Organization shall be deemed to have forfeited the Neighborhood Development Funds and Organization shall be deemed ineligible to receive Neighborhood Development Funds for a period of one (1) year.
3. **Receipt of Funds.** Upon return of the signed Agreement to the Council Administrator's Office, the Council Administrator shall issue the check to the Organization. The check shall be timely deposited by the Organization within 60 days of receipt. If the Organization fails to deposit the check within 60 days of receipt, the Organization shall be deemed ineligible to receive Neighborhood Development Funds for a period of one (1) year. Under no circumstances shall a check that the Organization fails to deposit within sixty (60) days of receipt be re-issued by the Government.
4. **Required Documentation.** Organization shall submit all relevant receipts and financial documentation to Councilmember Beasley's office, documenting the use of the granted funds for the specified lawful public purpose, within six (6) months of receiving the Neighborhood Development Fund check. If Organization fails to provide the required documentation, the Organization shall be deemed ineligible to receive Neighborhood Development Funds for a period of one (1) year.

5. Organization shall provide equal opportunity in employment for all qualified persons; prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or age between 40 and 70; promote equal employment through a positive, continuing program of equal employment and cause each of its subcontracting agencies to do so. This program of equal employment opportunity shall apply to every aspect of its employment policies and practices.
6. In any written or oral communications, the Organization shall identify the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government as the source of the above-referenced funds; the Organization shall not specifically identify an individual Councilmember as being responsible for the funds donated by the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement of Lexington, Fayette County, Kentucky, this the day and year first above written.

LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT

By: *Linda Gorton*
Linda Gorton, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CLERK OF URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

By: *Ashley Smith*
(Ashley Smith)
(Black Soil Charitable Fund)