



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

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

DATE: AUGUST 30, 2023

SUBJECT: SAMHSA FY2022 First Responders – Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Support Services Act Grant (FR-CARA) Award for the Department of Social Services – Year 2 Continuation

Request: Council authorization to accept federal award in the amount of \$499,997 from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under the First Responders - Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Support Services Act Grant Year 2 Continuation which will be used to reduce the number of overdose fatalities by facilitating access to naloxone through first responders and members of other key community sectors. No matching funds required.

Purpose of Request: The Division of Social Services submitted application on April 5, 2022 to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services requesting \$1,999,988 under the First Responders - Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Support Services Grant (FR-CARA). The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services awarded the LFUCG \$1,999,988 of grant funds over a four-year period for the Expanded First Responders and Community Partners Overdose Prevention Project (EFCPOPP). This authorization is to accept the Year 2 Continuation of the four-year period. Grant funds will be used for the following activities:

- Fund a Project Coordinator;
- Make naloxone available to be carried and administered by first responders and members of other key community sectors;
- Train and provide resources for first responders and members of other key community sectors on carrying and administering naloxone;
- Continue working with community partners to facilitate admission to treatment or harm reduction services; and
- Establish processes and protocols for referrals to appropriate treatment and recovery communities to connect individuals receiving opioid reversal drugs to follow-up services.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? \$1,999,988 is awarded for the four-year period from September 30, 2022 through September 29, 2026. \$499,997 has been awarded for Year 2. No matching funds are required.

Are the funds budgeted? Budget amendment is in process to budget \$499, 997 for Year 2.

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Director/Commissioner: Luallen/Allen-Bryant

