



Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
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TO: Mayor Jim Gray
Urban County Council

FROM: Charlie Lanter, Director, Office of Homelessness Prevention & Intervention

CC: Sally Hamilton, CAO

DATE: November 18, 2015

SUBJECT: Agreement with Community Action Council to operate Emergency Family Housing Program



Request

Authorization to: Execute a Purchase of Services Agreement with Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon, Harrison and Nicholas Counties (CAC) for the purposes of CAC operating an Emergency Family Housing program to provide shelter and supportive services for two-parent families and group families experiencing homelessness.

Why are you requesting?

Department needs this action completed because:

The Homelessness Prevention & Intervention Board has allocated \$100,000 annually for two years to facilitate startup of an emergency housing program for two-parent and group families experiencing homelessness. This project would begin to address a significant gap in Lexington's homeless shelter infrastructure which has left families sleeping in cars, doubling up in unsafe living situations, or sleeping in other places not meant for human habitation. The project would provide emergency housing in hotels and then move families into one of several master leased apartments where they would be able to stay for up to 90 days while working with project staff to exit to permanent housing.

This agreement will fund the first two years of startup and operation for the project and requires CAC to apply for emergency shelter funding from the Office of Homelessness in 2016 to shift operations to a more long-term funding stream.

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

The cost for this FY is: \$100,000 from the Innovative & Sustainable Solutions to Homelessness Fund

The cost for future FY is: \$100,000 in next Fiscal Year from Innovative & Sustainable Solutions to Homelessness Fund

Are the funds budgeted?

The funds are budgeted or a budget amendment is in process: YES

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Director/Commissioner: Sally Hamilton, CAO