

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

**FROM:** CHARLIE LANTER, COMMISSIONER  
HOUSING ADVOCACY & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

**DATE:** November 14, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Accept Emergency Rental Assistance grant from the U.S. Department of the Treasury and execute sub-recipient agreements for continued administration of the Housing Stabilization Program

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**Request:** Council authorization to accept a direct reallocation of federal Emergency Rental Assistance grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$30,000,000.00 from the U.S. Department of the Treasury and to execute sub-recipient agreements with Community Action Council and Legal Aid of the Bluegrass as necessary for continued administration of the Housing Stabilization Program.

**Purpose of Request:** In January 2021, LFUCG was awarded an Emergency Rental Assistance grant by the U.S. Department of the Treasury to provide rental and utility assistance to eligible residents of Fayette County. The Division of Grants & Special Programs administered spending of these funds through the Housing Stabilization Program. Since the federally-funded Housing Stabilization Program began operating in February 2021, LFUCG has received additional Emergency Rental Assistance grants, sub-awards, and reallocation awards. Total federal funding for the Housing Stabilization Program received to date is \$47,631,375.70. Day-to-day operation of the Housing Stabilization Program is carried out by Community Action Council and other sub-recipient organizations.

In order to meet continued need for rent assistance and housing stability services, the Commonwealth of Kentucky and Kentucky Housing Corporation have offered to voluntarily reallocate up to \$30,000,000.00 of unspent Emergency Rental Assistance funds that were allocated to the state in May 2021. A joint request is pending with the U.S. Department of the Treasury to approve the state's voluntary reallocation to LFUCG. Upon receipt, these funds will be used to continue administration of the Housing Stabilization Program, with Community Action Council and other sub-recipient organizations continuing to carry out the program's day-to-day operation.

**What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?** An award of federal funds not to exceed \$30,000,000.00 is anticipated for FY2023. No matching funds are required.

**Are the funds budgeted?** A budget amendment for FY2023 is in progress.

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**Director/Commissioner:** Wright/Lanter