

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into on the 24th day of March, 2025 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 African American Forum Inc. (Hereinafter "Organization"), of 1202 Highland Park Ave, Lexington, KY 40505, 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 \$1,500 (One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and Zero Cents) for the following lawful public purpose:

[For the cost of audio, lighting, and backline requirements for the LEX Smooth Jazz Concert Series]

2. **Finalization of Agreement.** Organization shall return this Agreement to the Council Administrator's Office on or before April 25th, 2025. 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 J. Brown'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: *JOHN E COLE III*
(John Cole)
(African American Forum Inc.)