

## Mayor Jim Gray

## LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Division of Grants and Special Programs

TO:

IIM GRAY, MAYOR

URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM:

IRENE GOODING, DIRECTOR

DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

DATE:

**NOVEMBER 19, 2012** 

SUBJECT:

REQUEST COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT AWARDS FROM THE KENTUCKY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY FOR A HAZARDOUS DEVICES TRAINING PROJECT AND A STRUCTURAL COLLAPSE TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATION TRAINING COURSE UNDER THE 2012 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT

**PROGRAM** 

On July 10, 2012 (Resolution No. 398-2012), Council approved the submission of grant applications to the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security requesting federal funding for various projects from the Fiscal Year 2012 Homeland Security Grant Program. This federally funded program, originating from the Department of Homeland Security, provides financial assistance to the states to prevent, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism. The states have the responsibility for apportioning funding to local governments. No matching funds are required.

The Kentucky Office of Homeland Security has offered the LFUCG the following awards:

Structural Collapse Technician (SCT) certification training in the amount of \$53,000. This class for 30 personnel will include a 10 hour Train the Trainer component so that five more persons will be certified to instruct in this discipline. This is an 80 hour course which results in FEMA SCT certification. SCT capability can be used in man made or natural disasters causing the collapse of one or many structures of varying size or construction type.

Hazardous Devices Unit—Training Grant in the amount of \$55,000. Funds will be used to secure an Explosive Ordnance Training course for bomb technicians and tactical officers from the Kentucky Explosive Incident Response Task Force (KEIRTF) including Lexington Police, KSP, Owensboro Police, Louisville Police and Paducah Police. The training provides for recognition and disposal of recovered military ordnance.

Council authorization to accept the awards is hereby requested.

Irene Gooding, Director

Xc: Clay Mason, Commissioner, Department of Public Safety