



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

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

DATE: MARCH 31, 2026

SUBJECT: Authorization to submit a grant application to the Kentucky 911 Service Board

Request: Council authorization to submit a grant application, and accept award if offered, to the Kentucky 911 Service Board in the amount of \$253,714 for the purchase of hardware, media servers, project management, installation services, and shipping of the Solacom Guardian system for the Division of Enhanced 911. The Solacom platform supports Lexington and the 28 counties participating in the Central Kentucky 911 Network (CKY911net). Matching funds in the amount of \$28,190 are required.

Purpose of the Request: The Division of Enhanced 911 is requesting funding for equipment refresh through its managed services provider Kraus Associates Inc., d/b/a AK Associates. E911 is responsible for the Central Kentucky 911 Network (CKY911net), a Category 1 'Host/Remote' provider of 911 selective routing for 911 agencies that have agreements with LFUCG. Maintaining refreshed 911 telephone hardware is critical to ensuring uninterrupted service. This hardware refresh cycle occurs every five years, this quote covers years eleven through fifteen. This refresh reduces the risk of downtime, improves system stability, supports continuity of services and positions Lexington to manage and to support evolving NG911 capabilities.

The cost in this budget year and future budget years: \$281,904 is the cost in FY2027. If grant funds are awarded, a match is required in FY27 in the amount of \$28,190 in 911 capital funds. There are no anticipated costs in future budget years.

Are the funds budgeted? No, funds are not yet budgeted. If the Kentucky 911 Board approves the grant request, a budget amendment will be initiated.

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Director/Commissioner: Patton/Armstrong

