

Mayor Jim Gray

LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Division of Grants and Special Programs

TO:

JIM GRAY, MAYOR

URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM:

IRENE GOODING, DIRECTOR

DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

DATE:

JUNE 17, 2013

SUBJECT:

REQUEST COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT

APPLICATIONS TO THE KENTUCKY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY REQUESTING FEDERAL FUNDS FOR VARIOUS PUBLIC SAFETY PROJECTS UNDER THE 2013 STATE

HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM

The Kentucky Office of Homeland Security is accepting applications from local governments requesting federal funding from the Fiscal Year 2013 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. All projects must be related to the Goals and Objectives of the State Homeland Security Strategy. No matching funds are required.

The Division of Fire and Emergency Services has prepared the following application:

Rescue Equipment: Water Rescue/Recovery Boats and Trailer: for the purpose of enhancing Division of Fire and Emergency Services' rescue capabilities, the purchase of new search and rescue equipment or replacement of older equipment. The application includes a Rescue One Connector Boat, a 15' zodiac boat, a two tier trailer and specialized equipment on both boats needed to more safely, efficiently, and effectively conduct rescue or recovery operations on swift or static water. The boats will have storage designed for dive, rescue and EMS equipment; emergency and scene lighting; spare fuel and batteries to sustain 24+ hour operations away from resupply points, etc. The total cost of this project is \$50,000.

Hazardous Materials Response: TruDefender Unknown Chemical Detection and Identification Device: for the purpose of augmenting and broadening the capabilities of the Hazardous Materials Team to mitigate potentially harmful or lethal accidental or intentional discharge of unknown chemicals. The TruDefender handheld system will

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permit safer, quicker, and more efficient mitigation operations to contain, reduce, and neutralize dangerous chemical discharges. The total cost of this project is \$50,000.

Rescue Equipment: Public Safety Dive Team Equipment. The requested equipment includes six dry suits at \$2,100 each for \$12,600 and Interspire dive equipment for topside air management as well as diver air supply totaling \$19,400. The total cost of this project is \$32,000.

The Division of Police has prepared the following applications:

Mobile Data Computer Project: Funds are requested for acquisition of new Mobile Data Computers (226) and docking stations (200) as replacement units and for the repair of 73 modems for the Division of Police Total cost of this project is \$824,425.

CJIS Project: The Lexington Division of Police is currently implementing a CJIS compliant network infrastructure. As part of this implementation, the Division plans to implement a hardware solution to make its desk based officers more mobile. The first phase of this project is to replace the desktops in the Bureau of Investigation with semi-rugged laptops. Used with docking stations in the office, these semi-rugged laptops will allow detectives to take their computers with them out into the field, while still retaining all the functionality of a desktop in the office. Total cost of 93 laptops and docking stations is \$338,580.

Hazardous Devices Unit—Bomb Squad: Funds are being requested to purchase a Ford F-450 4x4 truck at an estimated cost of \$50,000. A covered utility bed will be purchased to provide adequate secure storage for an entire set of bomb response gear, including robot for an estimated \$12,000. The vehicle will be outfitted with emergency lights, siren, and police radio to facilitate emergency response for approximately \$11,000. The truck is sized appropriately to also safely pull the Total Containment Vessel. Additional bomb squad equipment being requested are two large Type II explosive magazines and two small explosive magazines that will be attached to the vehicle. Total cost of this project is \$86,000.

Council authorization to submit the applications is hereby requested.

Irene Gooding, Director

Xc: Clay Mason, Commissioner, Department of Public Safety