



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

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

DATE: JUNE 17, 2022

SUBJECT: Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program for FY 2023

Request: Council authorization to submit a grant application in the amount of \$153,791 to the U.S. Department of Justice under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program in FY 2023. No matching funds are required.

Purpose of Request: The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government is eligible to apply for federal funds from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. The JAG program provides local agencies with the flexibility to prioritize and place justice funds where they are needed most. LFUCG is eligible to receive a formula amount of \$153,791.

The LFUCG funding priority for the FY 2023 JAG Funds will include equipment for the Lexington Police Department to improve public safety. The first project would be to purchase protective tactical body armor for the Emergency Response Unit (ERU). ERU is responsible for responding to a variety of critical situations including hostage/barricaded persons, high-risk warrants, dignitary protection, civil disturbances and more.

The second project is to purchase a Trimble Scanner for the Forensics Services Unit (FSU). This specialized scanner is able to document and capture homicide scenes, questionable death scenes and fatality collision scenes.

The third project is to purchase additional bicycles and mounts for Patrol officers to utilize. Bike certified officers are frequently deployed in areas such as the high crime areas, the downtown entertainment district, apartment complexes, parks and other areas which are difficult to access while in a vehicle. The department is seeking to purchase 15-17 more additional bicycles.



Description	FUND	DEPT ID	SECTION	ACTIVITY	AMOUNT
Bicycles	3140	505504	5541	75801	\$21,534.00
Body Armor	3140	505505	5528	96468	\$87,868.00
Trimble Scanner	3140	505506	5546	96206	\$44,389.00
TOTAL					\$153,791.00

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? Available funding in Fiscal Year 2023 is \$153,791. Future years funding is dependent upon availability of grant funding.

Are the funds budgeted? FY23 budget amendment is in process.

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Director/Commissioner: Weathers/Armstrong

