

## Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government DIVISION OF FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES

Jim Gray Mayor

Keith L. Jackson Fire Chief

Date: September 3, 2013

To: Mayor Jim Gray

Clay Mason, Public Safety Commissioner

LFUCG Council Members

From:

Chief Keith L. Jackson

Subject: Request of Council to authorize the submission of a grant application to FEMA for the

Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG)

The Division of Fire & Emergency Services is completing an application for submission to FEMA for the AFG, equipment phase. Project #1 of our application will be built around a replacement engine to replace Engine 12, our oldest front line engine. If Engine 12 is not replaced we face the possibility of not having enough engines to keep all of the engine companies on line on a daily basis. Project #2 of our application will be to purchase 12 Lead AEDs for our fire apparatus. This is our effort to upgrade emergency cardiac care for our citizens. While we have already begun to replace our aging 12 lead AEDs with local funds, we fall well short of completing this project.

Grant request is for \$1,000,000. This is a 10% local matching grant requiring \$100,000 of LFUCG support with \$900,000 being federally funded. Local match funding has been built into the FY14 budget.

Council authorization to submit this application is hereby requested.