

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 GRANT'S AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

DATE:

JUNE 21, 2013

SUBJECT:

REQUEST COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT APPLICATION TO THE KENTUCKY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY REQUESTING FEDERAL FUNDS FOR PURCHASE OF A MICRO-ROBOT 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 Police has prepared a grant application requesting funds in the amount of \$13,633. If approved, these funds will be used for the purchase of a Throwbot XT. This is a robot designed for the US Military and police tactical teams. The Throwbot XT is a throwable micro-robot that enables operators to obtain instant video and audio reconnaissance either in an indoor or outdoor environment.

Council authorization to submit the application is hereby requested.

Irene Gooding, Director

Xc: Clay Mason, Commissioner, Department of Public Safety