

# Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

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TO:

JIM GRAY, MAYOR

**URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL** 

FROM:

IRENE GOODING, DIRECTOR

**DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS** 

DATE:

**December 30, 2015** 

SUBJECT:

Amendments to the Emergency Solutions Grants Program in the 2014

and 2015 Consolidated Plans reducing Homelessness Prevention

### Request:

Request Council authorization to approve amendments to the Emergency Solutions Grants Program in the 2014 and 2015 Consolidated Plans reducing Homelessness Prevention funding allocated to the Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Lexington, Inc., reducing Homelessness Prevention Funds allocated to Arbor Youth Services, Inc., and reallocating these funds to the LFUCG Division of Adult and Tenant Services for Rapid Rehousing and Homelessness Prevention

#### Purpose of the Request:

Amendments are proposed to the 2014 and 2015 Consolidated Plans. The 2014 Consolidated Plan was approved by the Urban County Council on April 24. 2014 (Resolution No. 205-2014), and the 2015 Consolidated Plan was approved by the Urban County Council on April 16, 2015 (Resolution No. 177-2015). Both plans included use of federal funds under the Emergency Solutions Grants Program for Rapid Rehousing for homeless households and Homelessness Prevention for households who are at risk of homelessness.

The 2014 Consolidated Plan provided for funding in the amount of \$13,500 to the Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Lexington, Inc., and \$9,109 to Arbor Youth Services, Inc., for operation of homelessness prevention services and rapid rehousing services. This amendment proposes that funds allocated to Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Lexington, Inc., be reduced to \$3,500 and that funds allocated to Arbor Youth Services, Inc., be reduced to \$2,767.22. Funds in the amount of \$16,341.78 will be reallocated to the LFUCG Division of Adult and Tenant Services for Rapid Rehousing and Homelessness Prevention. The 50% match required for this program is being budgeted in Fund 1104. \$2,000 will be used for homelessness prevention and \$30,683.56 will be used for rapid rehousing.

The 2015 Consolidated Plan provided for funding in the amount of \$13,500 to the Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Lexington, Inc. for operation of homelessness prevention

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services. This amendment proposes that funds allocated to Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Lexington, Inc., be eliminated and be reallocated to the Division of Adult and Tenant Services for operation of a rapid rehousing program. Matching funds in the amount of \$13,500 will be requested in the 2017 General Fund budget.

Amendments are necessary due to end date of June 30, 2016 for Emergency Solutions Grants programs approved in the 2014 Consolidated Plan. Both Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Lexington, Inc., and Arbor Youth Services, Inc. have made insufficient progress toward project completion. Without an amendment to this plan, the LFUCG is subject to the loss of these funds. Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Lexington, Inc., has submitted a letter requesting a withdrawal of its request for funding under the 2015 Consolidated Plan.

## Cost in this budget year and future budget years:

Local cost in the amount of \$16,341.78 in Fiscal Year 2016. Local cost in the amount of \$13,500 anticipated in Fiscal Year 2017.

## Are the funds budgeted?

BA 7080 and 7081 are in process

File Number: 1594-15

Director/Commissioner: Connie Godfrey/Chris Ford Irene Gooding/Sally Hamilton

Irene Gooding, Director