



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 10, 2013

**SUBJECT: REQUEST COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT, AND ACCEPT
AWARD IF OFFERED, A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE REQUESTING FEDERAL FUNDS UNDER
THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT--FY
2014**

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government has been informed that it 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 is a blend of the previous Byrne Formula and Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Programs, providing 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 \$229,909. No matching funds are required.

JAG funds may be used for local initiatives, technical assistance, training, personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, and information systems for criminal justice for any one or more the following purpose areas: Law enforcement program, prosecution and court programs, prevention and education programs, corrections and community corrections programs, drug treatment programs, and planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs.

The LFUCG Division of Police is proposing to use these funds as follows:

- \$20,000 for Bomb Canine and subsequent training for handler
- \$45,000 for Communication headset dedicated to new radio system for Emergency Response Unit and Hazardous Devices Unit
- \$30,000 for New Ballistic Helmets for Emergency Response Unit
- \$100,909 for purchase of Civil Disturbance Equipment for first responders (Personal Protective Equipment) (Chest protection/Vest carriers, arm and leg protectors, and ballistic helmet shield visors and upgrade for pepperball system.
- \$15,000 Purchase of Digital Cameras for field evidence collection

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- \$10,000 Strategic Education related to Narcotics trends and enforcement
- \$9,000 Strategic Purchase of Supplemental Communications equipment (i.e. Charging Station for Mobile Command Station)

Council authorization to submit the application and accept the award is hereby requested.



Irene Gooding, Director

Xc: Clay Mason, Commissioner, Department of Public Safety