



**TO: JIM GRAY, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: CHARLIE LANTER, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

DATE: APRIL 19, 2017

SUBJECT: Healthy Out-of-School Time Award

Request:

Council authorization to accept an award from the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) in partnership with the Walmart Foundation in the amount of \$15,000 for operating a nutrition education program for youth.

Why are you requesting

The Lexington Division of Parks and Recreation has been awarded a Healthy Out-of-School Time grant from the National Recreation and Park Association (non-federal funding) to provide nutrition education to youth in Fayette County. The purpose of this project is to offer educational experiences highlighting better food choices, cooking and eating well on a budget, cooking techniques and field trips to demonstrate farm to table. Funds will be used to contract with a nutrition educator who will be housed at the William Wells Brown Community Center. The educator will be scheduled to work with the ESP after school program and camp staff and students in exploring nutrition and demonstrating healthier choice snack options and preparation. Similar programming will occur at the neighborhood centers (Dunbar, Kenwick and Castlewood). Funds will also be used for travel, operation supplies, and purchase of equipment such as a table and chairs, a blender, and a commercial food processor.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?

The cost in the budget will be \$15,000. No matching funds are required. Future years' funding is dependent upon availability of funds for this program.

Are the funds budgeted? Budget Amendment #8359 is in process.

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Director/Commissioner: Conrad/Reed

Charlie Lanter, Director