



**TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: CHARLIE LANTER, COMMISSIONER
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING ADVOCACY & COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT**

DATE: April 7, 2025

**SUBJECT: One-Time Program Funding Under \$40,000 to Address Identified System Gaps
and Barriers to Reducing Homelessness**

Request: Council authorization to execute Agreements with Arbor Youth Services, Inc. (\$39,999.00), Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon, Harrison and Nicholas Counties, Inc. (\$39,999.00), GreenHouse17, Inc. (\$38,700.00), and the Lighthouse Ministries, Inc. (\$39,950.00), to provide one-time funding to address identified system gaps and barriers to reducing homelessness pursuant to RFP 5-2025, at a total cost not to exceed \$158,648.00.

Purpose of Request: The Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention (OHPI) has noted that local homeless service providers frequently cite capacity constraints as a barrier to implementing new and expanded programming. As such, the OHPI issued a Request for Proposals to allow area providers to request up to \$40,000 in one-time funding to support development of new or expanded programming intended to address identified system gaps and barriers to reducing homelessness in Fayette County.

The OHPI, in consultation with the Program Performance and Evaluation Committee of the LFUCG Homelessness Prevention and Intervention Board, has selected the following organizations for funding: Arbor Youth Services, Inc. (\$39,999.00; funds support expansion of outreach center hours to operate 24/7), Community Action Council (\$39,999.00; funds provide services to families on the Emergency Family Housing waitlist and as aftercare to families upon exit to include short-term hotel stays, financial assistance, and case management), GreenHouse17 (\$38,700.00; funds provide stipends to clients participating in a farm work program to be applied to addressing the household's housing barriers), and the Lighthouse Ministries, Inc. (\$39,950.00; funds facilitate construction of 2 new offices, a bathroom, and additional storage space to support service delivery in a "one stop shop" model).

What is the Cost in this budget year and future budget years? Cost in FY25 is \$158,648.00
The cost for future FY26 is: \$0

Are the funds budgeted? Yes
Account number: 1145-155003-0001-78112

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Director/Commissioner: Herron/Lanter

