



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: FEBRUARY 2, 2014

**SUBJECT: REQUEST COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS, AND
ACCEPT AWARDS IF OFFERED, TO THE KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION
CABINET FOR PARTICIPATION IN TRAFFIC SAFETY PROGRAMS - FY 2015**

The Division of Police has prepared three applications for submission to the Governor's Highway Safety Program in the Department of Transportation Safety/Kentucky Transportation Cabinet requesting federal funding for continuation of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government's Traffic Safety Programs for FY 2015. These federal funds originate from the U.S. Department of Transportation's Highway Safety Standards Branch. These programs are:

- **Traffic Safety Program.** Federal funding in the amount of \$165,000 is requested. No matching funds are required. If approved, funds will be used to continue the utilization of officers on an overtime basis to detect speeders and intoxicated drivers. Funds will also be used for purchase of PBT (preliminary breath test) units.
- **Speed Enforcement Project.** Federal funding in the amount of \$65,000 is requested. No matching funds are required. If approved, federal funds will be used for officer overtime for enforcement of the speed limit laws. Funds will also be used for participation in the Life Savers Conference (required) and for purchase of radar and lidar units. The goal of this program is to reduce the number of speed related collisions.
- **Distracted Driving.** Federal funding in the amount of \$15,000 is requested. No matching funds are required. If approved, federal funds will be used for officer overtime for enforcement of cell phone usage, texting while driving, and other high risk driving habits such as eating, reading books and papers while driving. Funds will also be used for participation in the Life Savers Conference (required). The goal of this program is to reduce the number of distracted-related collisions and to decrease the number of distracted-related occupant injuries.

Council authorization to submit applications, and accept awards if offered, is hereby requested.


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