



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

**FROM: THERESA REYNOLDS, DIRECTOR  
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

**DATE: JUNE 14, 2024**

**SUBJECT: FY25 Home Network Program at the Family Care Center**

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**Request:** Council authorization to execute an agreement and accept an award from the Lexington-Fayette County Health Department in the amount of \$457,000 to continue the Home Network Program also known as the Kentucky Health Access Nurturing Development Services (HANDS) at the Family Care Center for FY 2025.

**Purpose of Request:** The Family Care Center operates a home visitation program to address many of the limitations observed among existing prevention efforts aimed at low-income families and to create a system of support more responsive to emerging social and familial realities. The Home Network Program provides home visitation services for high-risk families from birth of the first child up to age two. This program is based upon evidence that home visitation programs are effective in reducing child abuse and neglect.

The Home Network Program is supported by the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services as a pass-through arrangement with the Lexington-Fayette County Health Department as the granting agency. The source of federal funds is Medicaid. A portion of Kentucky's tobacco settlement dollars have also been earmarked for support of this program. State General Fund dollars also provide funding to support services for families with more than one child. The federal award in the amount of \$356,000 and a state award of \$101,000.

**What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?** The Home Network Program is a "fee for service" program, in that the Lexington Fayette Urban County Government only receives funding for services that it delivers. For 2025, the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services has estimated the following allocations: Federal funds in the amount of \$356,000 (Medicaid), and state funds in the amount of \$60,000 (non-Medicaid and multi-child families), and \$41,000 for 853 Home Visiting Service grant funds for a total of \$457,000. No match is required. Funding for future budget years is dependent upon availability of federal and state funding.

**Are the funds budgeted?** FY25 Budget amendment is in process.

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**Director/Commissioner:** Horton-Holt/Allen-Bryant

