



TO: Mayor Linda Gorton

Urban County Council

FROM: Kevin Atkins

Chief Development Officer

DATE: November 19, 2021

RE: Approve agreement with Commerce Lexington, Inc. Business Education Network to

administer Accelerate Lexington workforce talent pipeline initiative

Request:

Approval of an agreement with Commerce Lexington, Inc. for the Accelerate Lexington workforce talent pipeline initiative. The initiative will work to increase the workforce talent pipeline for in-demand jobs in Lexington.

Why are you requesting:

Accelerate Lexington is a public-private partnership that will work to increase the talent pipeline for indemand jobs within the Lexington workforce. LFUCG funds will be partnered with private funds to 1) implement a talent recruitment campaign, including marketing the training program and recruiting potential participants; and 2) providing participants with necessary materials and supplies that are not otherwise reimbursable by another external source.

Other partners with LFUCG in Accelerate Lexington are local employers, Bluegrass Community & Technical College, and Commerce Lexington.

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

The cost for FY2022 is: \$250,000

The cost for future FY is: \$0

Are the funds budgeted? Yes

Account Number: 1144-136102-1362-78103

Director/Commissioner: Kevin Atkins

