HOMELESS SHELTER NEEDS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

General Government & Planning Committee February 13, 2024





Charge

- Council allocated \$200,000 from the FY23 Fund Balance for a feasibility study of homeless shelter needs in Lexington.
- Study to examine:
 - Type of shelter needed
 - Where it should be located.
 - Annual cost of operations.
 - Innovative solutions beyond typical congregate shelter.
 - Options for populations not currently served.



Process

- Office of Housing Advocacy & Community Development has prepared a draft Request for Proposals.
- RFP seeks proposals for a feasibility study reflecting criteria outlined by Council.
- Office of Homelessness Prevention & Intervention will provide vendor with overview of current providers/services and data from the annual Point In Time Count, Homeless Management Information System.
- Will also provide data from temporary winter shelter, information from Fayette County Public Schools, other resources as appropriate.



Process

- Review by team of LFUCG staff, current providers, elected officials:
 - HACD Commissioner Charlie Lanter
 - Tiffany Masden, Housing Advocacy & Community Development
 - OHPI Manager Jeff Herron
 - CM Liz Sheehan, (OHPI Board member)
 - T.C. Johnson, Fayette County Public Schools (OHPI Board member)
 - Marty Jones, Community Action Council (operator of current family program)
 - David Shadd, Hope Center, (operator of emergency congregate shelter)



Criteria

- Criteria for scoring proposals out of 100 points
 - 15 Points Experience and Qualifications performing similar work with preference for applicants with one or more staff who have lived experience with homelessness.
 - 40 Points Project Design including a detailed description of process for collecting information, community participation and involving individuals currently or formerly experiencing homelessness.
 - 15 Points Deliverable/Conclusions details expected results including number of units needed, model, location, services, cost, etc.
 - 10 Points Project Schedule provides reasonable timeline for execution.
 - 20 Points Budget is detailed, necessary, and reasonable.



Timeline

Task	Date
Drafted RFP	December 2023/January 2024
Present Draft to Council	February 13, 2024
Post RFP	February 16, 2024 – March 15, 2024
Review Proposals	March/April 2024
Award Contract	May 2024
Project Period	June 2024 – April 2025
Present Findings	May 2025

Questions?

