



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

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

**DATE: MARCH 4, 2026**

**SUBJECT: FY 2027 MPO Transportation Planning Activities**

**Request:** Council authorization to submit applications to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet for federal funds and accept awards if offered for FY 2027 Transportation Planning Activities. The acceptance of which obligates LFUCG to provide a match in the amount of \$228,968.

**Purpose of the Request:** The Transportation Planning Section of the Division of Planning has prepared a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for Fiscal Year 2027 that includes funding from the following federal programs that finance the federally mandated transportation planning process for the Lexington Area Metropolitan Planning Organization as described in the UPWP.

<b>Federal Program</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State Match</b>	<b>Local Match</b>	<b>Total</b>
FHWA Planning (PL)	\$549,600	\$68,700 (10%)	\$68,700 (10%)	<b>\$687,000</b>
FTA Section 5303	\$108,000		\$27,000 (20%)	<b>\$135,000</b>
Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG-SLX)	\$533,072		\$133,268 (20%)	<b>\$666,340</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$1,190,672</b>	<b>\$68,700</b>	<b>\$228,968</b>	<b>\$1,488,340</b>

Federally mandated activities in the Unified Planning Work Program include updating and implementing the Metropolitan Transportation Plan, Transportation Improvement Program, Congestion Management Program and coordinating public participation in the planning process. Additional activities of regional importance include traffic impact analysis of land use and development proposals, bicycle-pedestrian planning, transit planning, conducting special studies, transportation-related outreach and public safety messaging. These combined funding sources support the personnel costs of ten transportation planning positions in the Division of Planning. Operating costs such as office supplies, printing, software maintenance and professional development are also included. The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet provides a 10% match for the FHWA Planning grant, for which the LFUCG provides a match of 10%. All other programs require a match of 20%.

**The cost in this budget year and future budget years:** The total federal funding being requested for FY27 is \$1,190,672 with an additional \$68,700 being provided by the state. LFUCG is required to provide a match of \$228,968 as requested in the FY 2027 budget. The



total cost in the budget is \$1,488,340. Grant funds for these activities are anticipated in future budget years.

**Are the funds budgeted?** A budget amendment will be completed if grant funding is approved.

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**Director/Commissioner:** Keith Horn/James Duncan

