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

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

DATE: **FEBRUARY 10, 2026**

SUBJECT: **Professional Services Agreement: Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program for Fiscal Year 2026**

Request: Council authorization to execute Professional Services Agreements with Taylor Martin to serve as Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner on an "on-call" basis. The funds budgeted in SANE_2026 are for the purpose of paying contractual nurses for on-call duty and court appearances. The funds budgeted for SANE3_2026 are for payment of nurses for forensic examinations. These funds come from the state's Crime Victims Compensation Board.

This Professional Service Agreement will have a term from February 6, 2026 – December 31, 2026. Future term years are dependent on available grant funds. Professional Service Agreement terms are effective until terminated by LFUCG or SANE Contract Nurse, which either party may do at any time, without cause and without notice.

Purpose of Request: The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government has received continuation funding (Violence Against Women Act) from the Kentucky Justice Cabinet for the operation of a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner program. The purpose of this program is to improve the collection of forensic evidence in sexual assault cases and to provide the victims of sexual assault more humane treatment during the investigation. Ultimately, higher rates of reporting will occur along with higher rates of prosecution and conviction. The Kentucky Crime Victims' Compensation Fund also provides financial support for forensic examinations. An approved element of the grant-funded project is contracting with certified Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (S.A.N.E.s) to serve on call twenty-four hours a day to respond to calls for examinations at Saint Joseph Hospital. The Professional Services Agreement is for the period of February 6, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? $96,667 is established for FY26 for contracted S.A.N.E. professionals. No additional costs are anticipated in future budget years.

Are the funds budgeted? Yes, 3140-505506-5561-71299 SANE_2026 FED_GRANT 2026 and 3140-505506-5561-71217 SANE3_2026 STA_GRANT 2026

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Director/Commissioner: Weathers/Armstrong