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**Citation Warning Period Ends!**

LEXINGTON, KY October 1, 2008 – The Lexington & Fayette County Parking Authority (LFCPA) **announced today that the parking citation warning program has ended.** Since the beginning on July 1, 2008 anyone receiving their first parking ticket received a warning instead of a citation requiring payment. During this initial three-month period, **LEXPARK**, the on-street parking program of LFCPA, has given out 9848 warnings along with parking maps and regulations. These warnings represent 61% of all citations issued, with a total “good will” value of \$147,720.00.

Since most downtown parkers are aware of the new on-street program, the warnings element will end, beginning today, October 1, 2008. Parkers are encouraged to obey time limits and pay meters at all downtown parking spaces, in order to make as much parking available as possible for shoppers and visitors to downtown.

Individuals can determine if any citations are owed by visiting the **LEXPARK** website at <http://www.lexpark.org/pay-citation.html>.

The Lexington and Fayette County Parking Authority was created by ordinance (ARTICLE XIII Sec. 2-178, Res. No. 300-80, § 1, 10-16-80; Ord. No. 329-2005, § 1, 12-13-05) in December 2005, with the five-member board appointed in June 2006.

**The Lexington & Fayette County Parking Authority Mission**

To provide, maintain and operate adequate, high-quality, customer-focused public parking and encourage economic growth for the benefit of the residents, businesses and visitors of Lexington & Fayette County.