

2018-2019 EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT

Continuum of Care General Assembly
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Purpose

- Provide information regarding the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)
 - *Allowable uses*
 - *Current uses*
 - *Other considerations*
- Obtain Continuum of Care feedback for FY2018-19 budget recommendations



ESG

- Created in 1987 by Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act
- The Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) is the administering agency
- Primary focus is to assist homeless individuals and families with services
 - *Engage homeless individuals and families living on the street*
 - *Improve the number and quality of emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families*
 - *Help operate emergency shelters*
 - *Provide essential services to shelter residents*
 - *Rapidly re-house homeless individuals and families, and*
 - *Prevent families/individuals from becoming homeless*
- Household income cannot exceed 30% of the Area Median Family Income



Eligible Program Components

- Street Outreach
- Emergency Shelter
 - Essential Services
 - Shelter Operations
 - Renovations of Shelters
 - Relocation assistance related to ESG project
- Homelessness Prevention
- Rapid Rehousing
- Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
- Administration

Note: Street Outreach combined with Emergency Shelter cannot exceed 60% of the grant; Administration cannot exceed 7.5% of the grant



Dallas Commission on Homelessness Recommendations in November 2016 Report

- Increase targeted street outreach, housing placement, and supportive services
- Convert to community-wide coordinated entry and single system HMIS
- Facility development and shelter capacity
- Increase permanent supportive housing
- Prevent homelessness within criminal justice and treatment facilities



ESG Allowable Uses

Component	Funded in 18-19
Emergency Shelter	Yes
Street Outreach	Yes
Prevention	Yes
Rapid ReHousing	Yes
HMIS	Yes
ESG Admin	Yes



Current FY19 ESG Budget

	Amount	Percent
Emergency Shelter	\$570,854	47.4%
Street Outreach	\$71,585	5.9%
Prevention	\$80,261	6.7%
Rapid ReHousing	\$366,654	30.5%
HMIS	\$25,000	2.1%
ESG Admin	\$89,520	7.4%
Total	\$1,203,874	100%

- Shelter/Street Outreach 60% Cap = \$722,324; \$642,439 allocated
- Admin 7.5% Cap = \$233,815.50; \$89,520 allocated



Comparison of FY16-17 & FY17-18 to Proposed FY18-19 Budget

Program Category	FY 16-17	% of Grant	FY 17-18	% of Grant	FY 18-19	% of Grant
Street Outreach	\$ 50,428	4.2%	\$69,072	2.2%	570,854	47.4%
Emergency Shelter	\$ 676,451	55.8%	\$1,587,807	50.9%	71,585	5.9%
Rapid Rehousing	\$ 292,452	24.1%	\$1,065,784	34.2%	366,654	30.5%
Homelessness Prevention	\$ 61,400	5.1%	\$170,000	5.5%	80,261	6.7%
HMIS	\$ 40,000	3.3%	\$69,000	2.2%	25,000	2.1%
Administration	\$ 90,735	7.5%	\$155,877	5%	89,520	7.4%
Totals	\$1,211,466	100.0%	\$3,117,540	100.0%	\$1,203,874	100.0%



Additional Information

- ESG must be matched dollar for dollar
 - HUD will allow cash or donated materials/services
- Funds must be expended within 24 months
- Annual Reports are required
 - Partners must enter client data in HMIS with performance measured quarterly
- Units for placement must meet minimum housing standards
 - Inspections are required
- Rent paid for clients must be reasonable
 - Measured against market rates
- All clients receive some level of case management services
 - Maximum timeframe for assistance is 24 months
- Budget allocations must follow homeless priorities as established by the Continuum of Care (CoC) under the Consolidated Plan



City of Dallas – Organization Changes

- Two New Offices at City of Dallas (2017-18 Last Year)
 - Spun off from Housing/Community Services Dept
 - NEW Office of Homeless Solutions
 - Includes Contracted HOPWA Services
 - Plus: Homeless Housing, Street Outreach & Other Homeless Services
 - NEW Office of Community Care
 - Includes Direct HOPWA Services provided through:
 - MLK Community Center
 - West Dallas Multipurpose Center
 - Fresh Start Housing
 - Plus: Child Care, Senior Services, WIC & Other Social Services



City of Dallas - Office of Homeless Solutions

- Mission
 - To positively impact quality of life in the City of Dallas through innovative, collaborative, and comprehensive solutions for homelessness
- Target Populations
 - Unsheltered experiencing homelessness
 - Persons residing in emergency shelters
 - Persons who are at risk of homelessness
 - Veterans, seniors over age 55, youth including ages 18-24, disabled persons, or families with children who are experiencing homelessness
 - Persons fleeing from domestic violence



City of Dallas - Office of Homeless Solutions

- Key Priorities

- Preventing homelessness

- identify at-risk populations and targeting solutions that are sensitive to the special needs of those populations
 - increase educational, skill building, and employment opportunities
 - identify and address specific factors that contribute to homelessness

- Protecting persons experiencing homelessness

- employ innovative, low barrier, person-centered, measurable, and high-quality services through the homeless response system of care
 - support the health, safety, and quality of life for persons experiencing homelessness
 - reduce recidivism back into homelessness

- Promoting affordable housing solutions

- address the inadequate supply of affordable housing units through creative, non-traditional, and sustainable housing solutions
 - equip individuals and families with the tools to be successful at obtaining and maintaining housing

- Partnering to maximize resources

- Foster a comprehensive, coordinated, system-led response that engages the community, encourages partnerships, and blends public and private funding focused on performance



Citizen Comments

- Citizens may complete a comment form to identify potential uses not currently in the Consolidated Plan
 - Online – <http://dallascityhall.com/departments/budget/communitydevelopment>
 - Scroll down page to middle of page - just below the English and Spanish reprints of the Neighborhood Public Hearing flyer
 - Click the “(online)” link to Five-Year Consolidated Plan Community Survey (or use the “online” link just below that)
 - In-Person – at a the Neighborhood Public Hearings (see flyer)
 - By Mail (or In-Person) - Office of Budget, City of Dallas, 1500 Marilla, 4F-South, Dallas, TX 75201
- Comments must be received by 5:15 p.m. on February 28, 2019.
- **Submission of a Comment Form does not guarantee funding**



Doing Business with the City

- Register as a vendor on-line at:
 - www.bids.dallascityhall.com
 - Contact the Business Development and Procurement Services at (214) 670-5246
- Purchasing web site: Notification of all Request for Bids (RFB) and Request for Proposals (RFP) are published in the Dallas Morning News Classified Section every Thursday and on the www.bids.dallascityhall.com



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