

Program Objectives

The ESG program provides funding to: 1) engage homeless individuals and families living on the street; 2) improve the number and quality of emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families; 3) help operate those shelters; 4) provide essential services to shelter residents; 5) rapidly re-house homeless individuals and families; and 6) prevent families/individuals from becoming homeless.

HMIS

Grant funds may be used for certain Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and comparable database costs, as specified in 24 CFR 576.108

Eligible Program Components

Street Outreach

Essential Services necessary to reach out to unsheltered homeless individuals and families, connect them with emergency shelter, housing, or critical services, and provide them with urgent, non-facility-based care. Component Services generally consist of engagement, case management, emergency health and mental health services and transportation. For specific requirements and eligible costs, see 24 CFR 576.101

Homelessness Prevention

Housing relocation and stabilization services and/or short and/or medium-term rental assistance necessary to prevent the individual from moving into an emergency shelter or another place described under the HUD definition of "homeless" in 24 CFR 576.2.

Services consist of, but are not limited to, rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits and payments, moving costs, case management mediation, legal services, housing search and placement and credit repair.

Emergency Shelter

Renovation of a building to serve as an emergency shelter. Site must serve homeless persons for at least 3 or 10 years, depending on the cost and type of renovation (major rehabilitation, conversion, or other renovation. Note: Property

Essential Services for individuals and families in emergency shelter. Component Services generally consist of case management, child care, education services, employment assistance, job training, outpatient health services, legal services, life skills training, mental health services, substance abuse treatment services, and transportation.

Shelter Operations including maintenance, rent, security, fuel, equipment, insurance, utilities and furnishings.

Relocation Assistance for persons displaced by a project assisted with Emergency Services Grant (ESG) funding.

For specific requirements and eligible costs, see 24 CFR 576.102

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Rapid Re-Housing

Housing relocation and stabilization services and short and/or medium term rental assistance as necessary to help individuals or families living in an emergency shelter or other place described in the HUD "homeless" definition move as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing.

Component services and assistance generally consist of short-term and medium-term rental assistance, rental arrears, rental application fees, security deposits, advance payment of last month's rent, utility deposits and payments, moving costs, housing search and placement, housing stability case management, mediation, legal services and credit repair.

For specific requirements and eligible costs, see 24 CFR 576.104-107.

HUD Definition of "Homeless"

The full definition of "Homeless" according to HUD regulations may be found at:

<https://endhomelessness.org/resource/changes-in-the-hud-definition-of-homeless/>



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