

EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG)





EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT FUNDING PARAMETERS

Funding parameters were first applied to ESG funds allocated for Fiscal Year 2014-2015.

- 1. All ESG funds shall be allocated and expended in accordance with applicable federal laws and regulations.
- 2. To be eligible for a funding allocation, organizations must be incorporated within the State of California and federally designated as a non-profit entity [tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) or 101(b) of the Internal Revenue Service Code] prior to Council consideration of funding.
- 3. To be eligible for a funding allocation, organizations must have a track record of providing services within the community for a minimum of 24 months. Governing of the agency should be vested in a responsible and active Board that meets at least quarterly and must meet the homeless participant requirement under §576.405(a).
- 4. <u>Funding Set-Asides</u> Commencing with FY2014-15, allocations will only be made for eligible activities under the following components: 1) Street Outreach, 2)Emergency Shelter, 3)Homelessness Prevention, 4)Rapid Re-housing and 5)Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).
- 5. Factors to be considered when determining allocations shall include:
- How the activity will meet a demonstrated community need
- Degree to which activity addresses community goals established by Council
- How well assets will be leveraged to support the activity (consider diversification of funding, collaboration with other providers, leveraging of in-kind services)
- The capacity of the organization to carry out the activity, including the ability to quantify and measure results
- The relation between the agency's total budget and the ESG funding amount
- Preference accorded to activities receiving ESG funding in prior year
- If already funded, the extent to which performance has met expectations
- Rapid Re-housing activities be given the highest priority
- 6. Emergency Shelter and Street Outreach activities have a maximum cap of 60% of the City's total allocation of ESG funds.
- 7. No more than 10% of total ESG grant award may be used to fund the operation and administration of the HMIS system, with at least one agency being funded.
- 8. All subrecipients must match total ESG grant allocation with an equal amount of other federal, state and local resources (cash and non-cash) in accordance with the revised matching requirements at 24 CFR 576.201.
- 9. The City's Housing Division will meet with Continuum of Care (CoC) member(s) each year to review, evaluate and comment on the staff funding recommendations in advance of their presentation to the City Council.
- 10. Agencies allocated ESG funding shall submit reimbursement requests and required report forms in a timely manner. Agencies that miss City submittal deadlines more than two times in one fiscal year shall be disqualified from submitting a funding proposal for the following fiscal year.