

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT AMENDMENT ON 2019 ACTION PLAN

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced a second allocation of CARES Act Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV2) funds to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) on June 9, 2020, totaling \$9,665,307. These funds are intended to address the needs of people experiencing homelessness during the COVID-19 response and recovery period and are available for use, in conjunction with ESG-CV1 funds, through September 30, 2022.

A substantial amendment to the FY 2019 Annual Action Plan is necessary in order to receive CARES Act funds, and usually a thirty (30) day public comment period is required, however, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has waived this requirement for the ESG- CV2 and allows for notification of the substantial amendment via this notice. This announcement fulfills HUD’S notification requirements for ESG-CV2.

Awards & Eligible Grantees

The Department of Housing and Community Development intends to utilize \$823,923 of the ESG-CV2 funds for administrative costs and award a total of \$9,915,307 to the 11 Continuums of Care (CoCs) that are HUD non-entitlement areas, as indicated in the allocations chart below. Entitlement counties (Baltimore City, Baltimore County, Anne Arundel County, Montgomery County, and Prince George’s County) receive their ESG-CV funding directly from HUD and therefore are not eligible to receive ESG-CV funding through DHCD.

Awards to CoCs were determined based on the annual homeless served in each CoC in FY2020. Similar to the process for regular Emergency Solutions Grant funding, CoCs will competitively solicit and select nonprofit or government organizations to receive ESG-CV funds within their local geographic area and deliver services to people experiencing homelessness

ESG-CV2 Allocations	Total
Allegany County Continuum of Care	\$207,519
Carroll County Continuum of Care	\$636,581
Cecil County Continuum of Care	\$694,325
Frederick County Continuum of Care	\$1,552,537
Garrett County Continuum of Care	\$436,178
Harford County Continuum of Care	\$464,972
Howard County Continuum of Care	\$602,069
Lower Shore Continuum of Care (Somerset, Worcester, Wicomico counties)	\$1,808,642
Mid-Shore Continuum of Care (Caroline, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne’s, Talbot counties)	\$985,499
Southern MD Continuum of Care (Calvert, Charles, St. Mary’s counties)	\$1,606,839
Washington County Continuum of Care	\$920,146
Administrative Costs - DHCD	\$823,923
Total ESG-CV2	\$9,665,307

ESG-CV2 Activities

Eligible activities for these funds include street outreach, emergency shelter, rapid re-housing, homelessness prevention, administrative costs, and funds for the implementation of Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS).

CoCs must spend at least 50% of their allocation on providing rapid re-housing services to people currently experiencing homelessness. CoCs may not utilize funds for homelessness prevention unless performance benchmarks for a reduction in homelessness have been met. The anticipated activities for ESG-CV2 statewide are as follows:

Activity	Percentage of Funds
Street Outreach	10%
Emergency Shelter	25%
Rapid Re-Housing	50%
Homelessness Prevention	0%
Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS)	5%
Administrative Costs (DHCD & CoCs combined)	10%

A copy of the Amendment to the 2019 Action Plan can be found on the publications page of the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development at <https://dhcd.maryland.gov/Pages/Publications.aspx>.