

Legislation Text

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REQUEST FOR HUD EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANTS PROGRAM (ESG) FUNDING FOR THE 2020 PROGRAM YEAR, AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS, AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS WITH APPROPRIATE AGENCIES.

CITY PROPOSAL:

WHEREAS, city council resolution no. 20-0073R, adopted January 27, 2020, approved FY 2020 annual Action Plan portion of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan; and

WHEREAS, the secretary of HUD is authorized to make grants to cities and/or counties to finance local community development programs, approved in accordance with the provisions of Title I of said Act, as well as grants under the Cranston-Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, (the HOME program) and the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act of 1987, as amended (the Emergency Solutions Grants program [ESG]);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the proper city officials are hereby authorized to make and submit appropriate documentation to HUD for those projects and corresponding funding levels as set forth below:

2020 ESG PROGRAM - FUND 262, AGENCY 020, OBJECT 5434, PROJECT CD20ES

SUBPROJECT	PROJECTS	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1226	Family Supportive Housing- Center City Housing	\$ 22,000
1244	Emergency Shelter- CHUM	\$ 20,000
2109	Homeless Prevention and Rapid Rehousing- MACV	\$ 3,000
2509	Domestic Violence Shelter Operations- Safe Haven	\$ 14,000
2511	Family Transitional Housing-Salvation Army	\$ 8,000
1244	Street Outreach- CHUM	\$ 15,000
1974	Loft Emergency Shelter for Youth - Life House	\$ 30,000

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AD02	HMIS Data Administration	\$ 4,000	
AD05	Rapid Rehousing Assistance - HRA	\$ 69,596	
AD01	Program Administration - City	<u>\$ 15,048</u>	
Total		\$200,644	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following is hereby designated as the financial resource for the above program:

Source of Funding	
2020 ESG Grant	<u>\$200,644</u>
Total	<u>\$200,644</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Duluth and its officials are authorized and directed to assume full responsibility for assuring that its community development program is carried out in full compliance with the provisions of the acts implementing the programs and all regulations of HUD issued pursuant thereto. This authorization shall also apply to existing programs with the city and HUD under the HUD CDBG, HOME and ESG programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate city officials are authorized to execute the appropriate agreements with these agencies upon receipt of approval of HUD funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a contingency plan is hereby approved based on the recommendation of the community development committee on December 3, 2020, as follows: should there be higher level of ESG funding allocated for FY 2020, than estimated, such funding shall be distributed proportionally to proposals that were not recommended to receive full funding, up to 1% of the final allocation, and if less funding is allocated by than all proposals shall be reduced proportionally up to 1% of the final allocation. If the final allocated amount varies by more than 1% of the estimated amount then the community development committee shall reconvene and revise the funding recommendation and submit it to the city council.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution reflects the recommendations of the community development committee (CD committee) with concurrence of the planning and development manager. The CD committee solicited comments from organizations and citizens as related to the fund for the Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG). The recommendations contained in this resolution were developed based on consideration of citizen comments, the public hearing held on November 19<sup>th</sup> and on December 3rd, 2019, and the deliberations of the CD committee. There was a 30-day public comment period from October 26, 2019, to November 25, 2019 on the 2020 annual action plan portion of the 2020-2024 consolidated plan, which also includes recommended funding for the 2020 CDBG, HOME and ESG programs. The CD committee held a public hearing on December 3, 2019, to hear comments on the funding recommendations and approved a contingency plan if the allocated funding was altered by more than 1%.The CD committee's recommendations

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were adopted on December 3, 2019, with the concurrence of the planning and development manager.

# Source of Funds:

\$200,644 in new 2020 HUD ESG Funds

The resolution, in addition to authorizing application for grant funds and administration of same when received, also takes the following actions:

(a) Allocates funds by project for 2020 ESG Program.

(b) Authorizes contracts for the activities upon receipt of the funding contract and completion of the environmental review process.

# 20-ES-01

Project Name: Family Supportive Housing- Center City Housing Corp

**Project Summary:** CCHC will work to provide transitional housing and supportive services to homeless families and to homeless youth ages 16-23. CCHC will operate and provide supportive services for 33 units of family transitional and permanent housing. ESG funds will be used for operation of the facilities.

**Goal:** Transitional Housing (61 beds, 91 individuals served).

Amount Recommended: \$22,000

## 20-ES-02

Project Name: CHUM Emergency Shelter

**Project Summary:** CHUM will provide emergency shelter for people experiencing homelessness in Duluth. CHUM Shelter includes a 49-bed congregate shelter for homeless single men and women and 6 units of emergency shelter for homeless families. CHUM provides a variety of stabilization services, advocacy and support to the homeless persons in the shelters.

**Goal:** 1,100 individuals

Amount Recommended: \$20,000

## 20-ES-03

**Project Name:** Homeless Prevention and Rapid Rehousing- MACV

**Project Summary:** The MN Assistance Council for Veterans (MACV) operates 9 units of transitional housing for homeless veterans and provides support services to help the veterans get rapidly re-housed to permanent housing.

**Goal:** 15 individuals

Amount Recommended: \$3,000

## 20-ES-04

Project Name: Domestic Violence Shelter Operations- Safe Haven

**Project Summary:** Safe Haven will operate shelter to provide services to women and their children fleeing domestic violence. Safe Haven's Shelter is a 39-bed facility, where services, advocacy and support are provided.

**Goal:** Shelter (39 beds, 500 individuals).

Amount Recommended: \$14,000

## 20-ES-05

**Project Name:** Family Transitional Housing- Salvation Army

Project Summary: The Salvation Army operates 16 units of transitional housing

for homeless families and provides support services to help the families get rapidly re-housed to permanent housing.

**Goal:** 100 individuals served

Amount Recommended: \$8,000

## 20-ES-06

Project Name: Street Outreach- CHUM

**Project Summary:** CHUM will assist homeless people by responding rapidly to crises related to drug and alcohol abuse, medical conditions or mental illness, and support people experiencing chronic homelessness to gain housing, reduce contact with police, and improve coordination of care.

**Goal:** 200 individuals

Amount Recommended: \$15,000

# 20-ES-07

Project Name: Loft Emergency Shelter for Homeless Youth- Life House

**Project Summary:** Life House will operate and provide emergency shelter for runaway and homeless teens including providing crisis intervention, short-term housing, screening & assessments, treatment planning, family reunification services, case management, and assistance obtaining safe, permanent housing.

Goal: 30 individuals

Amount Recommended: \$30,000

# 20-ES-08

Project Name: HMIS Administration

**Project Summary:** HMIS (Homeless Management Information System) data collection and reporting under the ESG Program is provided by the Institute for Community Alliances and is administered by the Continuum of Care.

Goal: 1 Organization

Amount Recommended: \$4,000

20-ES-09

Project Name: Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Assistance - HRA

**Project Summary:** The Coordinated Intake and Assessment Center for the St. Louis County Continuum of Care will administer the ESG flex fund (direct cash assistance) to be used in conjunction with prevention and rapid re-housing assistance under the ESG Program.

Amount Recommended: \$69,596