



Legislation Text

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REQUEST FOR HUD EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANTS PROGRAM (ESG) FUNDING FOR THE 2021 PROGRAM YEAR, AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS, AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS WITH APPROPRIATE AGENCIES.

CITY PROPOSAL:

WHEREAS, City Council Resolution No. 21-0077R, adopted February 8, 2021, approved FY 2021 annual Action 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:

2021 ESG PROGRAM - FUND 262, AGENCY 020, OBJECT 5434, PROJECT CD21ES

<u>SUBPROJECT</u>	<u>PROJECTS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
2109	Comprehensive Services for Homeless Veterans - MN Assistance Council for Veterans	\$ 3,150
2509	Safe Haven Shelter Program - Safe Haven Shelter for Battered Women	\$ 19,000
1974	The Loft Emergency Shelter for Youth - Life House Inc	\$ 32,000

1244	CHUM Emergency Shelter - CHUM	\$ 22,000
1244	CHUM Street Outreach - CHUM	\$ 15,000
1226	Family Supportive Housing - Center City Housing Corp	\$ 25,000
2511	Family Transitional Housing - The Salvation Army	\$ 8,500
AD04	HMIS Data Administration	\$ 4,000
AD05	Rapid Rehousing Assistance - HRA	\$ 63,750
AD01	Program Administration - City	<u>\$ 15,600</u>
	Total	<u>\$208,000</u>

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

Source of Funding

2021 ESG Grant	<u>\$208,000</u>
Total	<u>\$208,000</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 RESOLED, that the Community Development Committee approved a contingency plan on January 26 stating that if additional ESG funding is allocated for FY 2021, than the estimated amount, such funding shall be distributed proportionally to previously recommended projects that were not recommended to receive full funding, up to 1% of the estimated allocation, and if less funding is allocated by than all proposals shall be reduced proportionally up to 1% of the estimated 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). 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 proposed FY 2021 funding for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). The recommendations contained in this resolution was developed based on consideration of citizen comments, the public hearing held on January 5, 2021 and the deliberations of the CD committee on January 26. There was a 30-day public comment period from December 19, 2020, to January 18, 2021 on the 2021 annual action plan, which also includes recommended funding for the 2021 CDBG, HOME and ESG programs. The CD committee held a public hearing on January 26, 2020, 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 were adopted on January 26, 2021, with the concurrence of the Planning and Development Manager.

Source of Funds:

\$208,000 in new 2021 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 2021 ESG Program.
- (b) Authorizes contracts for the activities upon receipt of the funding contract and completion of the environmental review process.

21-ES-01

Project Name: Comprehensive Services for Homeless Veterans - MN Assistance Council for Veterans

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: Shelter-15 Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$3,150

21-ES-02

Project Name: Safe Haven Shelter Program - Safe Haven Shelter for Battered Women

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- 500 Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$19,000

21-ES-03

Project Name: The Loft Emergency Shelter for Youth - Life House Inc.

Project Summary: Life House will provide intensive care management services to residents in The Loft, an emergency shelter for youth ages 15 to 19 who were abused, homeless or survivors of sex exploitation and human trafficking.

Goal: Shelter- 20 Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$32,000

21-ES-04

Project Name: CHUM Emergency Shelter - CHUM

Project Summary: CHUM will provide a 24 hour emergency shelter for people experiencing homelessness in Duluth. CHUM provides a variety of stabilization services, advocacy and support to the homeless persons in the shelters.

Goal: Shelter- 1200 Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$22,000

21-ES-05

Project Name: CHUM 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: Outreach- 200 Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$15,000

21-ES-06

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: Shelter- 91 Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$25,000

21-ES-07

Project Name: Family Transitional Housing - The 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: Shelter- 100 individuals served

Amount Recommended: \$8,500

21-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

21-ES-09

Project Name: 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: \$63,750