



## **Emergency Solutions Grant Program 2021 Allocation Plan**

### **General Information:**

The Missouri Housing Development Commission (MHDC) is responsible for administering the Missouri State Allocation of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program funds granted to MHDC by the Missouri Department of Social Services (DSS).

These funds are provided through a federal grant from the HUD under the ESG program, as amended by the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009 (HEARTH Act), the Missouri Department of Social Services under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program, and from other funding sources as they become available.

### **FY2020 Funds Available:**

The Missouri Housing Development Commission, in conjunction with the Missouri Department of Social Services will make an anticipated amount of up to **\$2,779,440.00**, subject to any upward adjustments in available funds, to Missouri applicants for program year 2021 distributed geographically according to this Allocation Plan.

### ***Grant Priorities***

The purpose of the Emergency Solutions Grant Program is to support programs within Missouri communities that prevent homelessness and rapidly return households who experience homelessness to stable housing. These funds should be targeted and coordinated with other homeless services in the Continuum of Care. HUD regulation states that no more than 60 percent of the allocation can be spent on Emergency Shelter and Street Outreach activities. The eligible activities for which funding is available are as follows:

- 1. Rapid Re-Housing:** to assist individuals and families who are “literally homeless” under the HUD definition of homelessness to transition quickly into permanent housing and to achieve housing stability through financial assistance and services.
- 2. Street Outreach:** to provide essential services such as case management and engagement for unsheltered homeless individuals and families.
- 3. Emergency Shelter:** to provide essential services for shelter participants or for shelter operations.
- 4. Homelessness Prevention:** to assist individuals and families who are imminently homeless under the HUD definition of homelessness to prevent homelessness and to regain stability in their current housing or other permanent housing through financial assistance and services.
- 5:** Other uses approved by HUD, if any.

*\*Administration and HMIS activities are also allowable activities*

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***Geographic Allocation***

MHDC will endeavor to award funding in each geographic area as identified below, subject to the quality of the applications received and the applicant’s ability to meet eligibility criteria. In the event that insufficient applications are received within a geographic area, any remaining funds will be allocated to other regions. Any funds recaptured will be reallocated at the discretion of MHDC and such reallocated funds shall not be subject to these geographic allocations, though MHDC shall use reasonable best efforts to ensure an equitable distribution throughout the State.

<b>Missouri Continua of Care</b>	<b>Distribution Percentage</b>
<i>Missouri Non-Entitlement Areas</i>	85.00%
<i>Kansas City/Independence/Lee’s Summit/Jackson County</i>	5.00%
<i>St. Louis City</i>	5.00%
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<b><i>Total Amount to be Funded by Geographic Allocation</i></b>	<b>\$2,779,440.00</b>

ESG funds are geographically allocated by Missouri Continuum of Care (CoC) in an effort to coordinate homeless assistance funds with the needs of each CoC.