



CARES Act Emergency Solutions Grant Program 2020 Allocation Plan

General Information:

The Missouri Housing Development Commission (MHDC) is responsible for administering the CARES Act 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 Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program, as amended by the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009 (HEARTH Act) and the CARES Act.

CARES Act Funds Available:

The Missouri Housing Development Commission, in conjunction with the Missouri Department of Social Services, will make an amount of approximately \$28,331,553 available to Missouri applicants to be distributed geographically. This amount includes the \$9,584,276 which was previously outlined in the Board approved allocation plan on April 6, 2020. MHDC intends that the funding approved on April 6, 2020 (together with any additional ESG funding that may be available from HUD) may be made available to be administered under this allocation plan at MHDC's reasonable discretion. MHDC will directly administer an initial approximate amount of \$15,000,000 for emergency rental arrears assistance.

Grant Priorities

The purpose of the Emergency Solutions Grant Program is to support programs within Missouri communities that prevent homelessness and rapidly return households experiencing homelessness to stable housing. Non-profit organizations being awarded funds should ensure that funds are targeted and coordinated with other homeless services in the Continuum of Care. 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 in imminent danger of becoming 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.

**Administration and HMIS activities are also allowable activities*

Effective Date: November 13, 2020



Program and Geographic Allocation

MHDC will endeavor to award funding in each geographic area as identified below, subject to the volume and quality of the applications received and each applicant’s ability to meet eligibility criteria. In the event that insufficient applications are received within a geographic or program area, any remaining funds will be allocated to other regions or program areas at MHDC’s discretion. Any funds recaptured will be reallocated at the discretion of MHDC. Funding amounts and the geographic and program area allocation are subject to change pending future HUD allocations, guidance, or other circumstances as may be deemed necessary by the MHDC.

Missouri Geographic Regions	Distribution Percentage
<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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<i>Total Amount to be Funded by Geographic Allocation</i>	\$28,331,553