

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, MA
ESG-CV ACTION PLAN 2020

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The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has allocated special Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program funds in the amount of \$1,160,338 to the City of Springfield. These ESG-CV funds are authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136, and are to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) among individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless assistance; and to support additional homeless assistance and homelessness prevention activities to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19.

The City will use the ESG-CV funds to provide appropriate temporary emergency shelter to people experiencing homelessness, particularly those who need to quarantine or isolation, or who are fleeing domestic violence; and to provide prevention and rapid rehousing to prevent additional homelessness.

ESG-CV Budget

Funding category	Budget amount
Emergency Shelter Operations	\$300,000.00
Essential Services	\$300,000.00
Rapid rehousing	\$100,000.00
Prevention	\$344,305.00
Administration	\$116,033.00
TOTAL	\$1,160,338.00

The CARES Act includes the following exemptions and requirements regarding these funds:

- The funds are exempt from the ESG match requirements, including 24 CFR 576.201;
- The funds may be used to provide homelessness prevention assistance (as authorized under 24 CFR 576.103 or subsequent HUD notices) to any individual or family who does not have income higher than Low-Income Limit for the area and meets the criteria in definition in 24 CFR 576.3;
- Recipients may deviate from applicable procurement standards when using these funds to procure goods and services to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, notwithstanding 24 CFR 576.407(f) and 2 CFR 200.317-200.326;

The CARES Act provides that the funds are not subject to the consultation and citizen participation requirements that otherwise apply to the Emergency Solutions Grants, however each recipient must publish how its allocation has and will be used, at a minimum, on the Internet at the appropriate Government web site or through other electronic media.

The City of Springfield has published this document specifying how the allocation will be used on its website on April 17, 2020 and has provided notice of this posting through its social media accounts.