Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program applications will be available beginning March 22, 2021.

The ESG program is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and administrated by the Nevada Housing Division. The ESG program is designed to identify sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons, as well as those at risk of homelessness, and provide the services necessary to help those persons quickly maintain or regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness.

Eligible organizations may apply for funding to support programming of one of more of the following activities: Street Outreach, Emergency Shelter, Homelessness Prevention, Rapid Re-housing assistance, and HMIS (Homeless Management Information System).

**UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND NON-PROFIT AGENCIES ARE ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS FOR ESG FUNDING. ALL COUNTIES, EXCEPT FOR WASHOE ARE ELIGIBLE. CLARK COUNTY IS ELIGIBLE ONLY FOR HMIS FUNDING TO PERFORM AS THE HMIS LEAD AGENCY IN NEVADA.**

Priority will be given to applicants that provide housing assistance without preconditions and have tenant selection policies that prioritize people who have been homeless the longest; who have the highest service needs as evidenced by vulnerability assessments or the high utilization of crisis services, shall be ranked highest in the rating and ranking process. Preference shall be given to agencies that provide Rapid Re-housing assistance to homeless individuals and families. Second priority shall be given to agencies that provide Homeless Prevention assistance to individuals and families that are considered to be homeless under other federal programs.

**THE ESG PROGRAM REQUIRES A 100% FUNDING MATCH (DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR). A GRANTEE MAY USE IN-KIND SERVICES OR CASH. THE GRANTEE’S MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS MAY STEM FROM FEDERAL, STATE, OR PRIVATE SOURCES. FUNDS USED TOWARDS MATCH MUST NOT BE ESG FUNDS OR BE PROHIBITED FROM BEING USED AS AN ESG MATCH.**

**THE NEVADA HOUSING DIVISION ESTIMATED ALLOCATION IS $481,746. FUNDS ARE TO BE ALLOCATED BETWEEN AWARDED APPLICANTS AND NHD FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE FUNDS. FUNDING WILL BE CONTINGENT UPON THE FINAL AWARD FROM HUD.**

NHD is accepting applications for ESG funding through the electronic submission in the ZoomGrants system. Please contact Jacob LaRow by email at jlarow@housing.nv.gov for the link for portal access if you have not received one directly.

For more information regarding applications for ESG funding, please contact Jacob LaRow at jlarow@housing.nv.gov.

The deadline for submitting a complete application is Friday, April 30, 2021.