2023 Emergency Solutions Grants Program – Balance of State (ESG-BoS)

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WORKSHOP

SEPTEMBER 18, 2023

Agenda

❖ Background

❖ New Requirements

❖ Timeline

❖ Eligible Activities

❖ Scoring and Ranking

❖ Final Steps

❖ FAQs

Background

- ❖ NOFA
- ❖ Application Deadline
- ❖ Allocations
- ❖ Selection Process

Background

The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) released the 2023 ESG-BoS Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) on July 28, 2023.

❖Application deadline October 16, 2023 by 3:00pm.

❖Continuum of Care (CoC) must select recommended applicants through a fair and open process that meets the requirements of 25 CCR 8404

❖Total allocation for Imperial County CoC: $290,963

  ❖Competitive allocation: 50 percent

  ❖Noncompetitive allocation: minimum of 40 percent, up to a maximum of 50 percent

New Requirements

- ❖ Environment Review compliance
- ❖ Match Exemption
- ❖ Street Outreach requirements
- ❖ Emergency Shelter Requirements
- ❖ Rapid Re-Housing Requirements
- ❖ Single Audit and Form 990
- ❖ Homelessness Prevention Requirements

Environmental Review

❖**Local Government**

- ❖May not rehabilitate, convert, lease, repair, dispose of, demolish, or construct property for a project, or commit or expend ESG or local funds for eligible activities under this part, until the Applicant has performed an environmental and the and has received HCD approval if required.
- ❖24 CFR Part 58

❖**Non-profits**

- ❖ May not rehabilitate, convert, lease, repair, dispose of, demolish, or construct property for a project, or commit or expend ESG or local funds for eligible activities under this part, until the Applicant has performed an environmental and until HUD has issued HUD Form 7015.16 "Authority to Use Grant Funds" based on HCD's submission of HUD Form 7015.15, "Request for Release of Funds".
- ❖ 24 CFR Part 58

Match Exemption

❖**General requirements**

    ❖ HCD requires each ESG Subrecipient to provide match equal to 100 percent of the ESG funds that HCD awards. The only exception is outlined in Section III.C.2 of the HCD ESG Match Policy.

❖**Match Exemption**

    ❖ Under each fiscal year's (FY) annual ESG allocation, HCD is not required to match the first $100,000 allocated. HCD is required to pass this benefit to the Subrecipient or Subrecipients who are least able to provide match.

    ❖ HCD uses its annual Subrecipient ESG application process to determine which Subrecipient(s) will receive the match exemption via the following process:

        ❖ **2 points –** allocated to Subrecipients, which are considered rural and therefore disproportionately likely to be under-resourced.

        ❖ **3 points -** allocated to Subrecipients that: 1. HCD reported a concern or finding related to the Subrecipient's difficulty producing the necessary level of match during the annual monitoring process; or 2. During the previous year, the Subrecipient provided 75% or less of its match.

        ❖ **Up to 5 points -** are allocated to Subrecipients who indicate as part of their application that they would like to receive the match exemption

Street Outreach Requirements

All applicants awarded funding for Street Outreach must develop and implement written Policies and Procedures which include.

1. Written Standards

2. Coverage Area

3. Coordinated Entry Integration

4. Participant Eligibility

5. Suite of Services

6. Staffing Patterns

7. Housing Problem-Solving
   A. Diversion
   B. Rapid Exit

8. Other Requirements

9. General Operations

Emergency Shelter Requirements

All applicants awarded funding for Emergency Shelter must develop and implement written Policies and Procedures which include.
1. Coordinated Entry Integration
2. Participant Eligibility
3. Suite of Services
4. Staffing Patterns

5. Housing Problem-Solving
    A. Diversion
    B. Rapid Exit

6. Other Requirements
7. General Operations
8. Approval

Rapid Re-Housing Requirements

All applicants awarded funding for Rapid Re-Housing must develop and implement written Policies and Procedures which include.
1. Coordinated Entry Integration
2. Participant Eligibility
3. Suite of Services
4. Staffing Patterns
5. Termination and Appeals
6. Other Requirements
7. General Operations
8. Approval

Single Audit and Form 990

All Applicants must demonstrate satisfaction to HCD that they are following the financial management requirements of 2 CFR Part 200.

❖ Applicants must provide latest single audit
❖ Applicants must provide the last filed Form 990

Homelessness Prevention Requirements

All applicants awarded funding for Homelessness Prevention must develop and implement written Policies and Procedures which include.
1. Participant Triage
2. Coordinated Entry Integration
3. Participant Eligibility
4. Suite of Services
5. Staffing Patterns
6. Termination and Appeals
7. Other Requirements
8. General Operations
9. Approval

Timeline

❖Release of the NOFA: July 28, 2023

❖Application Opened on e-Civis: August 15, 2023

❖Application Deadline: October 16, 2023

Timeline

Request for Proposal Timeline	
July 28, 2023	2023 ESG-BoS NOFA released by HCD.
August 15 , 2023	HCD application portal released
September 14, 2023	Release 2023 ESG-BoS RFP on IVCCC website: IVCCC and Imperial County Purchasing Department website: County of Imperial Purchasing
September 18, 2023	2023 ESG-BoS application workshop will be held via Zoom at 10:00 a.m. (workshop not mandatory but recommended). Interested participants must register via the following link: 2023 ESG - BoS Workshop Registration
September 18, 2023	Technical Assistance questions from applicants due to Imperial County Purchasing Department by 5:00 p.m. via email to Rhoda Hoffman (Rhodahoffman@co.imperial.ca.us)
September 19, 2023	Technical Assistance responses posted by 5:00 p.m. on the IVCCC website: IVCCC and Imperial County Purchasing Department website: County of Imperial Purchasing
September 28, 2023	Submit 3 hard copies (1 original and 2 copies) and 1 USB copy of the application by 4:00 p.m.to: IVCCC Administrative Entity, at Imperial County Office of Purchasing, 1125 W. Main Street, El Centro, Ca 92243
September 29, 2023	Scoring and Ranking Committee reviews and ranks projects.
October 4, 2023	IVCCC Executive Board approves CoC recommendations
October 5, 2023	Notification and forms submitted to recommended agencies
October 6 - 16, 2023	Application due to HCD on October 16, 2023 by 3:00 p.m. PDT

Eligible Activities

❖Non-competitive

❖Competitive

Eligible Activities - Noncompetitive

ACTIVITY	ALLOWABLE ESG AMOUNTS AND PERCENTAGES PER APPLICATION UNDER NONCOMPETITIVE RR SET-ASIDE (unless otherwise noted)
For single-county CoCs, up to **two applications** may be submitted. For multi-county CoCs, up to **three applications** may be submitted.	
Rapid Re-Housing	Noncompetitive set-aside: Per allocation, CoC must elect a minimum of 40 percent and a maximum of 50 percent of their BoS formula allocation.
Street Outreach	Up to a maximum of 10 percent of a total application request when requested in combination with RR. The SO Activity may be subcontracted to another eligible provider or may be provided directly by the Applicant.
Homelessness Prevention	Up to a maximum of 10 percent of a total application request when requested in combination with RR. The HP Activity may be subcontracted to another eligible provider or may be provided directly by the Applicant.
HMIS	Up to a maximum of 10 percent per application. The HMIS Activity may be provided directly by the Applicant or may be subcontracted to another eligible provider.
Grant Administration	Local government service providers may request up to $200 per application for Grant Administration.

Eligible Activities – Regional Competition

ACTIVITY	ALLOWABLE ESG AMOUNTS AND PERCENTAGES PER APPLICATION UNDER THE REGIONAL <u>COMPETITION</u> (unless otherwise noted)
For single-county CoCs, up to **two applications** may be submitted. For multi-county CoCs, up to **three applications** may be submitted.	
Rapid Re-Housing	<u>Regional competition</u>: $75,000 minimum, $200,000 maximum per application.
Emergency Shelter	$75,000 minimum, $200,000 maximum per application.
Street Outreach	$75,000 minimum, $200,000 maximum per application as a stand-alone Activity, or up to a maximum of 10 percent of a total application (not to exceed $20,000) when requested in addition to RR or ES. The SO Activity may be subcontracted to another eligible provider or may be provided directly by the Applicant.
Homelessness Prevention	Up to a maximum of 10 percent of a total application request (not to exceed $20,000) when requested in combination with RR or ES. The HP Activity may be subcontracted to another eligible provider or may be provided directly by the Applicant. No stand-alone HP applications are permitted.
HMIS	Up to a maximum of 10 percent per application (not to exceed $20,000). The HMIS Activity may be subcontracted to another eligible provider or may be provided directly by the Applicant.
Grant Administration	Local government service providers may request up to $200 per application.

Application – Regional Competition

❖Application must be a minimum of $75,000 and maximum of $200,000 (includes all eligible activities)

   ❖Rapid Rehousing may be requested as a stand-alone activity or

   ❖Up to 10% per application for Street Outreach and 10% for Homelessness Prevention without having to apply separately.

      ❖Stand-alone Street Outreach applications allowed, stand-alone Homelessness Prevention applications not allowed

❖HCD will not begin review process until closing day of October 16, 2023.

❖Certification of Approval – IVCCC Chairman Les Smith identified as CoC representative (760-791-9364 or deserttrails@hotmail.com).

Scoring and Ranking

❖ Experience

❖ Program Design

❖ Program and Effectiveness

Scoring & Ranking

Category	Points
Applicant Experience	20
Program Design	20
Needs For Funds	10
Impact and Effectiveness	30
Cost Efficiency	10
Total	**90**

Final Steps

- ❖ Final Steps
- ❖ FAQ

Final Steps

- ❖ CoC will sign off on the CoC recommendation form once scoring and ranking is complete.
- ❖ CoC will submit recommendation package to HCD, which includes letter identifying the process which was followed.
- ❖ Certification of Approval – IVCCC Chairman Les Smith identified as CoC representative (760-791-9364 or deserttrails@hotmail.com).
- ❖ eCivis/NOFA questions – ESGNOFA@hcd.ca.gov.

- ❖ *Please **DO NOT** obtain signatures prior to being recommended.*

Frequently Asked Questions

- Regional competition application can be up to $200,000
  - Total of nine (9) CoCs and Counties are part of the Central/Imperial allocation.

- Stella race and ethnicity data will be provided to recommended applicants.

Thank you!