

Horry County 2020 ESG-CV2 Action Plan

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The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has allocated supplemental round two Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program funds in the amount of \$1,551,515 to Horry County to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. The ESG-CV2 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.

Horry County will utilize the ESG-CV2 funds to provide rapid rehousing, homelessness prevention, emergency shelter, and administration in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Funds will be used for rapid rehousing to move homeless individuals to permanent housing and reduce the spread of COVID-19. Funds will also be used for homelessness prevention to avoid the creation of additional homelessness and additional exposure to COVID-19. Emergency shelter funds will be used to provide temporary emergency shelter for people experiencing homelessness, particularly those who need to quarantine or isolation in response to the virus. Funds will also be used to administer the program.

2020 ESG-CV2 Program Budget

Project Category	Budget
Rapid Rehousing	\$751,515.00
Homelessness Prevention	\$474,000.00
Emergency Shelter	\$101,000.00
ECHO Administration	\$75,000.00
HMIS	\$80,000.00
Horry County Administration	\$70,000.00
TOTAL	\$1,551,515.00

The CARES Act includes the following flexibilities regarding the ESG-CV funds:

- ESG-CV funds are not subject to the spending cap on emergency shelter and outreach under 24 CFR 576.100(b)(1);
- Up to 10% of ESG-CV funds may be used for administrative costs, as opposed to 7.5% as provided by 24 CFR 576.108(a);
- ESG-CV funds are exempt from the ESG match requirements, including 24 CFR 576.201;
- ESG-CV 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 HUD's Very Low-Income Limit for the area and meets the criteria in paragraphs (1)(ii) and (1)(iii) of the "at risk of homelessness" definition in 24 CFR 576.3;

- Recipients may deviate from applicable procurement standards when using ESG-CV 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 ESG-CV 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. Horry County has published this ESG-CV Action Plan specifying how the allocation will be implemented on its website <https://www.horrycounty.org/Departments/CDBG>, on August 14, 2020.