

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT of COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Georgia's HOME-ARP Program

Housing Finance & Development Division Office of Community Housing Development



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The HOME-ARP Specifics



Overview

Where did HOME-ARP come from?

HOME Investment Partnershi p Program (HOME)

• It is the largest federal block grant to state and local governments designed to create affordable housing for low-income households. This includes the CHIP program.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARP)

- \$5 Billion in HOME nationwide for activities to be funded through 2030
- Combines HOME Regulations with McKinney Vento (Homeless) Regulations

Includes New Household s

- Households who are:
- Homeless
- At Risk of Homeless
- Domestic Violence including Trafficking
- Severe Housing Cost Burdened

New Activities

- Rental Housing
- Non-Congregant Shelter
- Supportive Services

Additional Admin

- Capacity Building
- Supportive Housing Institute
- Expanded Perspective
- Communitybased data & information
- Community
 Driven Solutions
- Create opportunities for areas that may not participate

HOME-ARP Eligible Activities



Non-Congregant Shelters

A room for each household with a door that locks and a bathroom



Rental Housing (Multi-Family)

One Household per Apartment for Qualified or Low-Income Populations (with LIHTC)



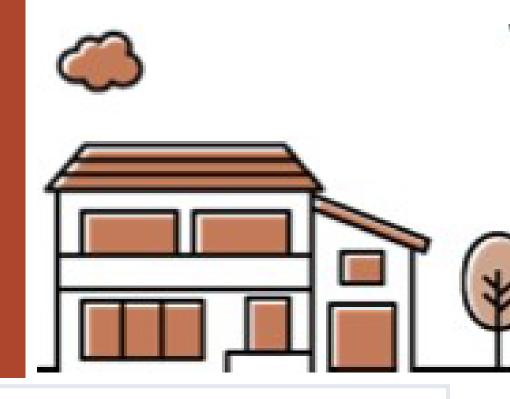
Supportive Services

McKinney-Vento Supportive Services, Homelessness Prevention Services, and Housing Counseling Services



Agency Capacity Building

Developing the capacity of eligible nonprofit organizations to successfully carry out HOME-ARP eligible activities Details on HOME-ARP QPs



The Four Qualifying Populations

Qualifying Populations (QPs)

Households that are experiencing homelessness 24 CFR §91.5

Household Being Homeless below 30% Income (Al

Households at Risk of Being Homeless with incomes below 30% Area Median Income (AMI), or up to 50% AMI with waiver 24 CFR §91.5; CPD 21-10 House attemp violenc sexual human

Households fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking HUD 24 CFR §5.2003



Other households requiring services or housing assistance to prevent returning to homelessness CPD 21-10



Households at 30% AMI with severe housing cost burden defined as paying more than 50% of monthly household income CPD 21-10

Specifics to Participate

- There can be no preferences or limitations for certain populations.
- HOME-ARP Funds need to be open to households who meet the definition of a Qualifying Population – first come first serve.
- Affirmative Marketing needs to be made for any supportive services given. A plan will be required to ensure all four populations will be made aware of the services offered.
- The household cannot already be receiving the services through another program.
- A waitlist must be maintained to receive services.

Supportive Service Award Details

- HOME-ARP has \$5,700,000 to be spend through 2029
- DCA Plans to award \$1,000,000 or more in this grant cycle depending on the requests.
- Recommending requests of \$100,000 per application
- 2-year grants
- Needs assessment will be required to show the demand of the service funding requested.

Possible Supportive Services to Request

Examples:

- Childcare
- Education services
- Employment assistance and job training
- Food
- Housing search and counseling services
- Legal Services
- Life skills training
- Mental Health Services
- Outpatient Health Services

- Outreach Services
- Substance abuse treatment services
- Transportation
- Case management
- Mediation
- Credit Repair
- Landlord/tenant liaison
- Services for special populations
- Financial Assistance Costs
- Short-term and medium-term financial assistance for rent



Possible Supportive Services to Request

Eligible Costs Associated with Housing Counseling

- Staff salaries and overhead costs of HUDcertified housing counseling agencies related to directly providing eligible housing counseling services to HOME-ARP program participants;
- Development of a housing counseling workplan;
- Marketing and outreach;
- Intake;

- Financial and housing affordability analysis;
- Action plans that outline what the housing counseling agency and the client will do to meet the client's housing goals and that address the client's housing problem(s);
- Follow-up communication with program participants.



Funding Priorities

- Local/Regional Capacity Building Efforts for Coordinated Entry
 - √ Homeless Outreach Support
 - The costs of activities to engage qualified populations for the purpose of providing immediate support and intervention, as well as identifying potential program participants, are eligible.
 - Eligible costs include the outreach worker's transportation costs and a cell phone to be used by the individual performing the outreach.
 - Costs associated with the following services are eligible: initial assessment; crisis counseling; addressing urgent physical needs, such as providing meals, blankets, clothes, or toiletries; actively connecting and providing people with information and referrals to homeless and mainstream programs; and publicizing the availability of the housing and/or services provided within the PJ's geographic area.

Funding Priorities

- Housing Navigation, Search & Counseling (Including eligible Costs Associated with Housing Counseling under 24 CFR 5.100 and 5.111)
 - ✓ Included but not limited to:
 - Development of an action plan for locating housing;
 - Housing search;
 - Tenant counseling;
 - Securing utilities;
 - Making moving arrangements;
 - Outreach to and negotiation with owners;
 - Assistance submitting rental applications and understanding leases;
 - Assistance obtaining utilities;
 - Tenant counseling;
 - Mediation with property owners and landlords on behalf of eligible program participants;
 - Credit counseling, accessing a free personal credit report, and resolving personal credit issues; and
 - Payment of rental application fees;
 - Other Housing counseling costs, as defined in 24 CFR
 5.100, funded with or provided in connection with grant funds must be carried out in accordance with 24 CFR 5.111.

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HOME-ARP Supportive Services Information Sessions

More detailed information to be presented at:

HOME-ARP Supportive Services Grant Application Webinar

Thursday, March 13, 2025 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM





Hyatt Regency Savannah (for Housing Symposium attendees only)

Wednesday, March 19, 2025 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM (pending final confirmation of date and time)



HOME-ARP Substantial Amendment Listening Sessions

We want to hear from you for our Qualifying Population Update to HUD! Are there population limitations or preferences that we should consider?

Any other ideas on HOME-ARP Activities?

Let us know!

Thursday February 6, 2025 2:00pm – 3:30pm





Tuesday, February 18, 2025 10:00am – 11:30am

Contact Us

DCA HOME-ARP Website



https://dca.georgia.gov/affordablehousing/housing-development/homeinvestment-partnership-programhome/home-american

HOME-ARP Listserv



https://mailchi.mp/21fc5fb7a628/home -arp-sign-up-form

Thanks!

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Emergency Solutions Grants Application Workshop 2025 - 2026



Office of Homeless and Special Needs Housing

Workshop Content



Organizational Documents Shanika Tillery Elayne Miller Heather Smith



ESG Application Process

Tiffany Bowers-Weller LaDrina Jones



Emergency Solutions Grants Program 2025 – 2026

Organizational Documents



Emergency shelter provides a bridge to permanent housing, offering hope and stability on the road to a better future.

- Unknown

Organizational Documents



Objective

The requirements for fully completing the Organizational Documents of the 2025 ESG Application in eCivis

Background



Why do we collect this information?

Title 50. State Government **Chapter 20**. Relations with Nonprofit Contractors **§50-20-1**. Legislative intent



The General Assembly finds that the state has a right and a duty to monitor nonprofit organizations which contract with the state to ensure that their activities are in the public interest and to ensure that the public funds are used for proper purposes.



Why do we collect this information?

§ 50-20-3. Requirements from nonprofit contractors; audits; political activities

(a) Before entering into a financial agreement with a nonprofit organization, the head of the contracting state organization shall require the nonprofit organization to furnish financial and such other information as he or she may deem necessary to establish whether or not the nonprofit organization is financially viable and capable of providing services contemplated in the contract and that the agreement does not violate Chapter 10 of Title 45 related to conflicts of interest. Such information may include financial statements, Internal Revenue Service exempt status determination letters, Internal Revenue Service exempt organization information returns, and other related materials.

Section 6: Organizations – Capacity Considerations



DCA is required by state law to perform due diligence around organizational capacity before making awards to nonprofit organizations. Funding decisions for non-profit agencies will be based, in part, on a review of the following:



The complexity or nature of the request;



Organizational structure, operating processes and capacity;



The extent to which the organization operates under the authority of a diversified, involved, volunteer, community-based board of directors;



Professional management;



The consistency of the organization's identity or its mission to the provision of homeless or HIV (as applicable) services;

Section 6: Organizations – Capacity Considerations



The extent to which the organization utilizes networks to avoid duplication of housing and services;



Participation in appropriate provider groups and Continuums of Care;



Sound operating procedures, accounting policy and controls;



The presence and accuracy of financial management systems, accounts, funds, reports, tax returns, etc.;



Unrestricted financial resources available to the agency; and



Organizational and financial policy, controls, stability and capacity.

Organizational Documents Requested







Organizational Narrative:

- Complete the narrative for questions 1-5.
- Please read the questions carefully and answer all aspects of each question.
- This is your opportunity to provide brief but clear summaries about your organization and the work you do!

Organizational Narrative
Summarize the applicant agency's history, organizational background and experience in providing housing and/or service for persons experiencing homelessness. What is the mission of your organization? When was the mission adopted? *
Of your agency's total work, how much directly relates to persons specifically identified as "homeless"? Very briefly describe the work of your organization that is not directly related to persons experiencing homelessness. *

Organizational Narrative

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Does your agency have a recent strategic plan that was approved by the Board of Directors? If yes, describe Board, staff, and community involvement. Please provide some examples on the primary features of this plan. *
Describe your agency's executive leadership, Board of Directors, and program staff. Describe: 1) How your governing authority (typically a Board of Directors) is representative of your community, 2) Key responsibilities of your Board members (fundraising, governance, strategic planning, etc.) and divisions of responsibility, 3) The qualifications of your executive eadership, and 4) The qualifications and experience of program staff. Note: Providing a simple list of directors and staff is insufficient to answer this question.
Furnish the name and title of the person assigned to maintain the organization's financial records; include the address and telephone number if outside person or business is used. *

New Profile

Applicant Information Linked Applicant * Type to search... Applicant (Agency) Legal Name * Thot Project Name or DBA Primary Person to Sign Contract * Primary Contract Signer Title * Primary Contract Signer Email Address: * Primary Contract Signer Direct Phone * Secondary Person to Sign Contract *



Contact Information

Please complete all requested contact information.

Organizational and Contact Information



EIN Number (Required)



UEI SAM Number (Required by HUD)



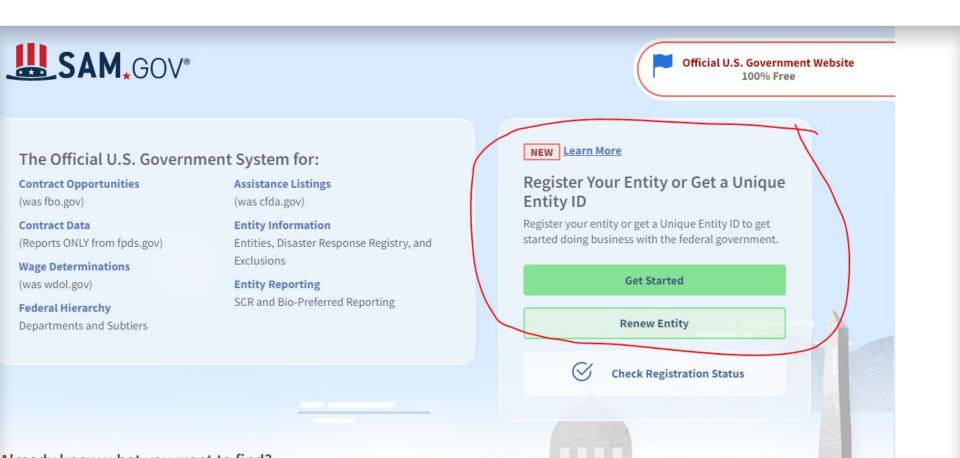
Contact information should be complete as this information is used to contact the appropriate persons when disseminating information



DV Agencies (There is an option to suppress address in application)

SAM.GOV Registration

Please register on SAM.gov and obtain a Unique Entity ID (SAM) number if you do not have an UEI number. Please list your UEI (SAM) number on your eCivis application in the required field. Please visit www.sam.gov to register for this number.



Board Members

Please upload the board member worksheet into the application and select whether or not each member is homeless or formerly homeless. The board member worksheet is located in the "Files section" of the application and on the DCA website.



Board Member Worksheet

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	Organization Name:	
	Program Name:	

Complete list of organization's current Board or governing members (officers identified). Information must include name, address, office held, term of office, compensation, profession, qualification, race, gender, ethnicity, and homeless/formerly homeless status.

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Homeless/Formerly Homeless? Yes: □ No: □					

List of Board Members

- Complete each field
 - "Term of office" is not length of service but rather the stated term in the Articles of Incorporation or the organization's By-Laws for the Board Member
 - "Qualification" may include advocacy or expertise related to the Board Member's profession or in the non-profit/homeless arena. An example might be an Educator that is/has been the liaison for homeless children/families in a school system
 - "Ethnicity" for this purpose will be Hispanic or non-Hispanic
 - Board member list will accept more than one board member
 - "Homeless/Formerly Homeless" see requirements on next slide

Homeless Participation on the Board of Directors or other equivalent policy making entity

- § 576.405 Homeless participation.
- (a) Unless the recipient is a State, the recipient must provide for the participation of not less than one homeless individual or formerly homeless individual on the board of directors or other equivalent policymaking entity of the recipient, to the extent that the entity considers and makes policies and decisions regarding any facilities, services, or other assistance that receive funding under Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG).
- (b) If the recipient is unable to meet requirement under paragraph (a), it must instead develop and implement a plan to consult with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering and making policies and decisions regarding any facilities, services, or other assistance that receive funding under Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). The plan must be included in the annual action plan required under 24 CFR 91.220.
- (c) To the maximum extent practicable, the recipient or sub-recipient must involve homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under ESG, in providing services assisted under ESG, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under ESG. This involvement may include employment or volunteer services.

Articles of Incorporation

Original Articles of Incorporation as submitted to the Secretary of State's Office at the time of Incorporation (should be stamped by the SoS office with date).



Articles of Incorporation may be "Re-Stated" if the organization has changed its name or some component of the Original Articles of Incorporation (should also be stamped by the SoS office with date).

ONLY Articles of Incorporation should be uploaded to the category.

*Not applicable for units of local government, quasi-state organizations

Certificate of Incorporation

Control No. 047562

STATE OF GEORGIA

Secretary of State

Corporations Division 313 West Tower 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530

Certified Copy

I, Brian P. Kemp, Secretary of the State of Georgia, do hereby certify under the seal of my office that the attached documents are true and correct copies of documents filed under the name of

INFOR (GA), INC.

Domestic Profit Corporation

Said entity was formed in the jurisdiction set forth above and has filed in the Office of Secretary of State on the 30th day of Docember, 2004 its certificate of limited partnership, articles of incorporation, articles of association, articles of organization or application for certificate of authority to transet business in Georgia. This Certificate is issued pursuant to Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and is prima-facie evidence of the existence or nonexistence of the facts stated herein.



WITNESS my hand and official seal of the City of Atlanta and the State of Georgia on 27th day of July, 2012

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Brian P. Kemp Secretary of State

Certification Number: 9233543-1 Reference: 9266 Venify this certificate online at http://corp.sos.state.gp.us/corp/sosid/werify-asp This document is issued by the Secretary of State at the time of incorporation, certifying that an organization "has been duly incorporated under the laws of the State of Georgia on the effective date....by the filing of Articles of Incorporation in the office of the Secretary of State"

ONLY Certificate of Incorporation should be uploaded to the category.

Certificate of Incorporation

This is also called "Certificate of Existence." You purchase thru Secretary of State website for a \$10 fee. Please refer to this link https://ecorp.sos.ga.gov/

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*Not the same as the Annual Registration with the Secretary of State's office (we will confirm current status with the registration and no action is necessary by the applicant)

501(c)3 Determination Letter



This is a "threshold"
 determinant - without this final
 determination (with the
 exception below, local
 governments and quasi-state
 organizations) organizations
 will not be considered
 for funding

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Financial Procedures Manual



At a minimum, this policy manual should include information regarding:

Internal Controls/Financial Oversight

Accounts Payable procedures

Accounts Receivable procedures

Procurement

Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement preparation

Budgeting

Grants Management

Minutes of Last 3 Board Meetings







SHOULD BE RECENT AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH A SCHEDULE SPECIFIED IN THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR ORGANIZATION'S BY-LAWS (MONTHLY, QUARTERLY, ETC.) GIVES A SNAPSHOT OF THE PARTICIPATION OF THE BOARD MEMBERS AS WELL AS HOW BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED THREE SETS OF MINUTES ARE REQUIRED! MEETINGS SHOULD HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN CALENDAR YEAR 2024 OR EARLY 2025.



List of Organizational Staff

- Include list of current program staff, support staff (might include financial staff), as well as the upward chain of management.
- Must include both name and position.

Staff Job Descriptions



- Must include Position Job Description
- Time Distribution Analysis percentage of time spent in support of activities
- Level of Compensation
- *Complete ONLY if requesting DCA funding to support staff positions

Return of Organization Ex.

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Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue

Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made

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IRS Form 990

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All other non-profit organizations (as required) must submit Form 990 by the 15th day of the 5th month following the end of the fiscal year.

- Example 1 fiscal year end 12/31 due May
- Example 2 fiscal year end 6/30 due November 15
- Example 3 fiscal year end 9/30 due February 15

For submission purposes using the above examples:

- Examples 2 and 3 Forms 990 for the period ending 6/30/24 and 9/30/24 should be available for upload.
- Form 990 for Example 1 may or may not be available as it is not due until May 15, 2025.
- If not available, Form 990 for the period ending 12/31/23 is appropriate for upload.

*Not applicable for local governments, certain religious organizations, quasi-state organizations

Required Financial Statements

(Read Georgia Code (O.C.G.A.), Title 50, Chapter 20)

Organizations that expend greater than \$100,000 in state funds must submit (independently) audited financial statements



Required Financial Statements

Organizations that expend less than \$100,000 in state funds must (at a minimum) submit the following –

- Statement of Financial Position
- Statement of Activities (including an analysis of sources of revenue)
- Statement of Cash Flows
- Schedule of State Awards Expended
- If annual financial statements are reported upon by a public accountant, the accountant's report
 must accompany them. If not, the annual financial statements must be accompanied by the
 statement of the president or person responsible for the nonprofit organization's financial
 statements:
 - (A) Stating the president's or other person's belief as to whether the statements were prepared on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles and, if not, describing the basis of preparation; and
 - (B) Describing any respects in which the statements were not prepared on a basis consistent with the statements prepared for the preceding year.

Organizational Documentation



The submit button is only available after all required fields are complete.



ALL organizational documents MUST be completed in their entirety.



Some organizational documents may not be applicable for local governments, certain religious organizations and quasi-state organizations. Please upload a word document into the upload field that states your organization is not applicable if this applies to your organization.



Please ensure all information is accurate and complete because no revisions can be made once the application has been submitted



Georgia Department of Community Affairs

Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG) 2025 - 2026

Application Process



Office of Homeless and Special Needs Housing

Emergency Solutions Grants Program



Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) is a HUD formula grant program that provides funding for persons identified as homeless or "at risk of homelessness" for the following program components:



Street Outreach



Emergency Shelter



Rapid Re-housing



Homelessness Prevention



Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)

Emergency Solutions Grants Program



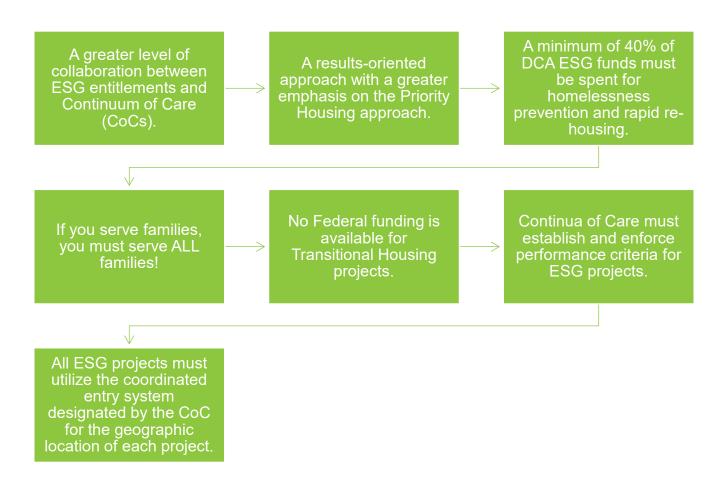




Additionally, the State Housing Trust Fund provides funding for the following program components: Hotel/Motel Voucher

Supportive Services

ESG Policy Requirements



Eligible Applicants



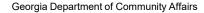
Local or regional entities; including nonprofits (secular and faith-based), local governments, local government entities (community service boards, etc.) and authorities, community action agencies.



Nonprofit applicants for emergency shelter must receive approval of local government(s) where the project is located.



Nonprofit applicants, including religious organizations, must have 501(c)(3), provide programs in a manner free from religious influences, and meet threshold and ongoing viability standards established by DCA (as required by state law).



Minimum and Maximum Funding Awards by Project Type

- HMIS- There will not be a separate HMIS application competition this year.
- Minimum and maximum award amounts are subject to change from year to year.

Type of Funding	Minimum – Maximum Award Amounts
Emergency Shelter	No Minimum - \$70,000
Supportive Services Only	No Minimum - \$30,000
Homelessness Prevention	\$30,000 – No Limit
Rapid Re-Housing	\$30,000 – No Limit
Street Outreach	\$30,000 - \$50,000
Hotel/Motel Voucher	No Minimum - \$20,000
HMIS	No Minimum - \$40,000

Who is Homeless?

4 CATEGORIES:

- (1) Individuals and families who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence and includes a subset for an individual who resided in an emergency shelter, or a place not meant for human habitation and who is exiting an institution where he or she temporarily resided;
- (2) individuals and families who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence (within 14 days);

Who is Homeless? (Cont'd)

(3) unaccompanied youth and families with children and youth who are defined as homeless under other federal statutes who do not otherwise qualify as homeless under this definition; but who meet the following criteria:

Who is Homeless? (Cont.'d)

(Category 3 (continued)

Have not had a lease, ownership interest, or occupancy agreement in permanent housing at any time during the 60 days immediately preceding the date of application for homeless assistance;

Have experienced persistent instability as measured by 2 moves or more during the 60-day period immediately preceding the date of application; AND

Can be expected to continue in such status for an extended period of time because of chronic disabilities, chronic physical health or mental health conditions, substance addiction, histories of domestic violence or childhood abuse (including neglect), the presence of a child or youth with a disability, or two or more barriers to employment, which include the lack of a high school degree or General Education Development (GED), illiteracy, low English proficiency, a history of incarceration or detention for criminal activity, and a history of unstable employment.

NOT APPLICABLE IN THE STATE OF GEORGIA

Who is Homeless? (Cont.'d)

- (4) Any individual or family who:
 - Is experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to, or
 - Is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous, traumatic, or lifethreatening conditions related to the violence against the individual or a family member in the individual's or family's current housing situation, including where the health and safety of children are jeopardized
 - Has no other residence; and
 - Lacks the resources or support networks to obtain other permanent housing

Who is Chronically Homeless?

An "individual" or "family" that ...

is currently homeless and lives or resides in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter; and

has been homeless and living or residing in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter continuously for at least 1 year OR on at least 4 separate occasions in the last 3 years, as long as the combined occasions equal at least 12 months and each break in homelessness separating the occasions is at least 7 consecutive nights of not living as described in paragraph (1); and

has an adult head of household (or a minor head of household if no adult is present in the household) with a diagnosable substance use disorder, serious mental illness, developmental disability [as defined in section 102 of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 15002)], post-traumatic stress disorder, cognitive impairments resulting from a brain injury, or chronic physical illness or disability, including the co-occurrence of 2 or more of those conditions

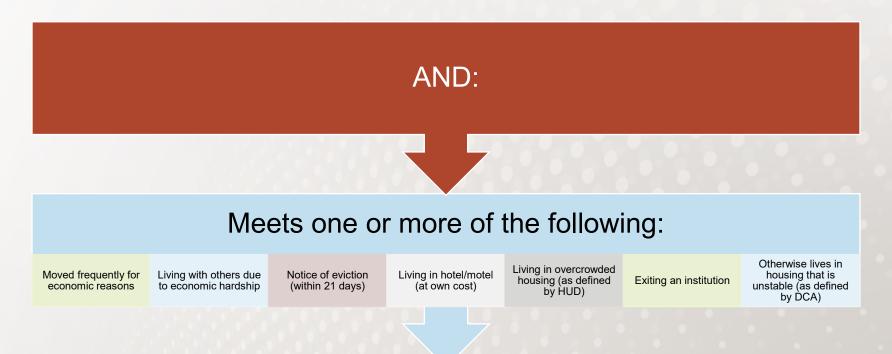
Persons who were chronically homeless at entry remain chronically homeless at exit, if an institutional stay is less than 90 days.

Who is At-Risk of Homelessness?

(1) The household has income below 30 percent of area median income (AMI) for the geographic area; AND

- (2) the individual or family has insufficient resources immediately available to attain housing stability.
- sufficient resources or support networks are:
 - family, friends, or faithbased or other social networks immediately available to prevent them from moving to a shelter or living outside

Who is At-Risk of Homelessness? (Cont'd)



Families with children, and youth defined as homeless under other Federal statutes.

Applications Will Not Be Considered



- The deadline is missed.
- HMIS or DV comparable database non-participation.
 - Indicate "Decline" or select "No" in the application if choosing not to participate upon being awarded.
- Application substantially incomplete.
- Ineligible applicant such as lacks 501(c)(3) or Housing Authorities
- New organizations should have been in business and fully operational for 2 years and able to produce minimum financial statements and filings with the IRS for that period, financial policies and procedures, program policies and procedures.
- Failure to obtain Local Approval or Certification of Consistency, as applicable.
- Serving ineligible populations (not homeless by HUD definition and verification standard).

Applications Will Not Be Considered

Insufficient or ineligible match amount or source.

Non-compliance with coordinated entry.

Use of projected project income or client fees as a match source.

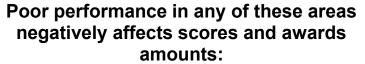
Inability to keep families intact for service.

Inability to abide by all Equal Access and LEP requirements.

*See Application Guidelines for complete information.

Scoring and Award Factors





Completeness of the grant application

Use of reputable data to describe need (homeless counts), clients served, local coordination, goals, outputs, outcomes, etc.

CoC or ESG Entitlement priorities

Efficient and effective use of HMIS, adherence to HMIS policy and procedures, and ability to deliver data of high quality

Adherence to DCA Housing Support Standards

Staffing and match levels promote ability to serve number of participants projected

Organizational experience, capacity, and stability, including

- Capacity and oversight of Board of Directors
- Budgeting and financial reporting Georgia Department of Community Affairs



*See Application Guidelines for complete information.

Scoring and Award Factors



Agency participation in:

CoC Planning
Homeless Count
Coordinated Entry



Ability to design and successfully manage project under current regulations and priorities for the overall ESG program



Project and agency performance including --

Monitoring compliance
Compliance with HMIS or DV
comparable database policies and
procedures

Ability to meet project requirements and goals successfully

Ability to spend past grant awards in timely manner

Increases in income and benefits during project enrollment

Exits to permanent destinations

Returns to homelessness

Match Requirements

All applicants must provide at least a 100% match consisting of documented non-McKinney resources.

Is PROJECT-specific, must benefit recipients of project in application.

In addition to cash, match may include the value of any lease on a building, the actual value of professional services, any salary paid to staff to carry out the project, and the value of volunteer hours. The latter should equal the cost necessary to provide the services in question.

HUD Consolidated Plan Consistency

- All applicants proposing projects located within the 22 local HUD Consolidated Plan jurisdictions must obtain "Certification of Consistency" with local plans from local government officials.
- Local Consolidated Planning jurisdictions include the cities of Albany, Atlanta, Brunswick, Dalton, Gainesville, Hinesville, Johns Creek, Macon, Rome, Sandy Springs, Savannah, Valdosta and Warner Robins, the counties of Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb (including Marietta), DeKalb, Fulton (including Roswell), Gwinnett and Henry, and the consolidated governments of Athens-Clarke, Augusta-Richmond and Columbus-Muscogee.
- Forms will be posted on ESG webpage.



Deadlines-Important Dates

- Online application system opens Monday, March 31, 2025.
- All content is due by 5:00 pm on Friday, April 25, 2025.
- The link to eCivis will be sent to the DCA listserv and posted on the ESG website on Monday, March 31, 2025.
- Links and Supporting materials will be posted on ESG main webpage:
 - https://www.dca.ga.gov/safe-affordablehousing/homeless-special-needshousing/emergency-solutions-grants
 - Paper submissions will NOT be accepted.



2025 Applications

There are six (6) applications:

Emergency Shelter

Supportive/Essential Services

Homelessness Prevention

Rapid Re-Housing

Street Outreach

Hotel/Motel Vouchers

Note: HMIS is not a separate application. One request can be made in the Emergency Shelter <u>OR</u> Rapid Re-Housing applications if you are applying for one of these project types.

*Cannot apply within the Emergency Shelter AND Rapid Re-Housing applications. MUST pick one.

General Instructions – All Applications



Include organization's legal name and contact information.



Include project name – this MUST be consistent with HMIS or DV Comparable Database.



List sites consistent with sites from organizational submissions.



Name local approving and consolidated planning jurisdictions, as applicable.



Read manual (Application Guidelines) for details on projects, process, requirements.



Be sure to answer all (sub) questions of application questions.

Application - Emergency Shelter



Focus on ensuring a positive housing outcome to permanent housing.



Ensure high bed utilization by eliminating barriers/requirements to entry.



Shelters that serve families must serve all eligible families and may not refuse services based on the age of children, size of the family, marital status, or family composition.



May apply for multiple shelter projects operated by the agency:

Men, Women, Families, Women w/children



May apply for up to \$70,000 per project.

Emergency Shelter

Shelter Services
Services provided to shelter program participants.

- Case Management
- Life Skills
- Legal Services
- Mental Health Services
- **Education Services**
- Transportation

- √ Childcare
- ✓ Substance Abuse Treatment Service
- ✓ Services for Special Population
- ✓ Outpatient Health Services
- Employment Assistance and Job Training

Emergency Shelter

Shelter Operations

Costs to operate and maintain emergency shelters and also provide other emergency lodging when appropriate.







Rent

Furnishing

Fuel







- √ Food
- ✓ Security
- ✓ Insurance
- ✓ Equipment
- ✓ Hotel or Motel Voucher

Application-Supportive Services

- Connection to Permanent Housing: Service projects must directly support clients' transition into permanent housing.
- Funding Eligibility: Only specific, pre-approved service types are eligible for funding.
- ESG Compliance:
 - Utilize the Coordinated Entry instrument established by the Continuum of Care.
 - Enroll participants into projects in HMIS.

Funding Limits:

- Maximum funding of \$30,000 per project.
- Limit of one (1) Service application per agency.
- Only one (1) Service type is allowed per application.



Supportive Services

Eligible activities are limited to:

Case management

Transportation

Childcare



(Applications must clearly identify the activity requested for funding.)

Applications- Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing

Financial Assistance

- Moving costs
- ✓ Rent application fees
- Admin fees
- Security deposit
- ✓ Last month's rent
- ✓ Utility deposit
- Utility payments
- ✓ Rental assistance

Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services

- ✓ Housing Search & Placement
- ✓ Housing Stability Case Management
- Mediation
- ✓ Legal Services
- ✓ Credit repair

Rapid Re-Housing and Prevention

- ✓ Participants can be assisted for up to one (1) year. Length of stay to be determined based on household need.
- ✓ Agencies are required to:
 - provide case management services to participants at least monthly
 - establish a formal plan for long-term stability for each participant at discharge, and
 - √ follow up post discharge



Rapid Re-Housing and Prevention

- Proposed budgets should include a reasonable ratio of client financial assistance to housing relocation and stabilization services.
- Applications should include reasonable ratio of households served to funding amount requested.
- ✓ The minimum award amount will be \$30,000.



Application-Rapid Re-Housing

Housing is not the end of the process... it's the beginning.

- Provide services to move literally homeless participants into permanent housing to remain there for the long term.
- RRH providers should be attached to Street
 Outreach efforts, Emergency Shelters, and other
 community supports and services to identify
 participants.
- Case management and consistent follow up are essential.
- Can be a regional or local implementation.



Application-Homelessness Prevention

- Follow HEARTH definition of "at risk" for eligibility
- Or CATEGORY 2 of homeless definition
 - persons who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence within 14 days
- Or CATEGORY 4 of homeless definition
 - Experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to, or Fleeing/Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence Services to households facing eviction from housing they rent.
- Services to households facing eviction from housing they rent.
- Client must have lease in their name.



Application-Homelessness Prevention

- Stabilize households in existing homes and ensure that participants can remain in their housing for the longer term.
- If remaining in existing home is not possible, relocation assistance to appropriate housing can be provided.
- Below 30% AMI
- CATEGORY 2 hotel stays (evidence they can't stay 14 days from application date)
- Eligibility must be re-assessed every 90 days and annually for those enrolled in the program 1 year after initial enrollment date



Application-Homelessness Prevention

Documentation showing lack of sufficient resources and risk factors

- Termination letter, bank statement, bills showing arrears, etc.
- Court Order Eviction
- DCA At-Risk of Homelessness Certification
- Written statement by relevant third party
- Written statement by intake staff
- Written statement by client



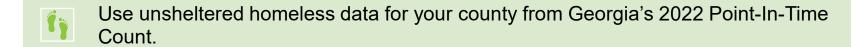
Application - Street Outreach

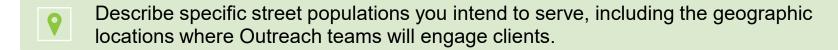
Eligible activities may include:

- Engagement
- Case Management
- Emergency Health Services
- Emergency Mental Health Services
- Transportation
- Services to Special Populations (Essential Services during outreach)



Street Outreach





Outreach should use Priority Housing approach -

Focused on moves into permanent housing, rather than alleviating the difficult conditions they experience on the street. (This is not a mobile feeding program.)

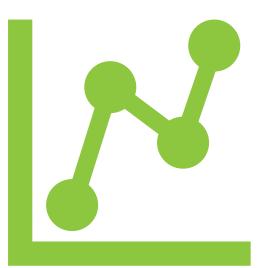
- The bulk of the funding will be for engagement and case management, rather than provide emergency services.
- Funding will be prioritized to areas where PATH teams do not exist.
 - Street Outreach projects can apply for \$30,000 \$50,000.

Application-Hotel/Motel Vouchers

- Exclusively for homeless clients who need immediate housing assistance, and NO APPROPRIATE shelter is available.
- Will have to provide evidence/justification about shelter availability.
- Intended primarily for clients served by RRH and outreach projects.
- Can be used for challenges such as:
 - Time of placement
 - Households with special needs
 - High barrier clients that will be turned away from current shelters
 - No shelter available for participants who have been through coordinated assessment
- Short stays until preferred housing option becomes available; no longer than 45 days.
- Case management service dollars available.
- Hotel/Motel Vouchers projects can apply up to \$20,000.

HMIS Information

- Costs of contributing data to Eccovia ClientTrack or DV comparable database (designated by DCA).
- Eligible costs may include Data Entry. Cost to attend relevant training can be requested.
- Reserved for BoS CoC area.
- For Emergency Shelters or Rapid Re-Housing projects.
- Projects with large implementations; those serving a high volume of clients, etc.
- HMIS projects can apply up to \$40,000.



HMIS Requirements

- Increased importance placed on HMIS in application review process. Performance measures are in HMIS.
- If you want to have a competitive application this year, make certain your data is accurate and complete. It will also be used to evaluate performance!
- Data will be taken directly from HMIS by DCA and data will be requested from the agencies.
- If your agency or project names in HMIS are inconsistent with what you provided in your application, we may not find it or fund it.
- All agencies currently receiving ESG funds must submit a Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) AND HUD Data Quality Report from 10/1/2024 through 3/31/2025 for scoring.



Emergency Solutions Grants Application Scoring: HMIS Sections



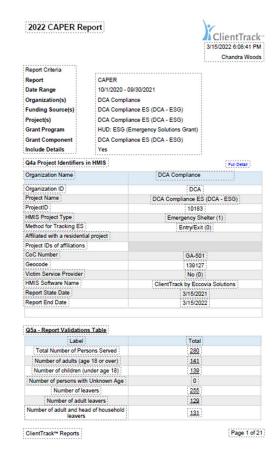


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You will be HMIS Data Quality



Performance Measures



HMIS Data Quality



Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) AND HUD Data Quality Report is required for each project type.

Ex. If you are submitting applications for emergency shelter and rapid rehousing, you should submit two separate reports.

Do not include a report with more than one project even if you are submitting more than one emergency shelter application. Each project will still need a separate report.



Make sure to write full project name when asked to do so.

Example: HMIS Project name: Test Org Emergency Shelter DCA (ESG-ES-501) instead of ESG Emergency Shelter.

Points will be deducted if you submit an incomplete project name for a project that is already in HMIS.

HMIS Data Quality



Appropriate length of stay will be reviewed.



HUD Data Quality Report scored sections:

Q2 - Data Quality: Personal Identifiable Information

Q3 - Data Quality: Universal Data Elements

Q4 - Data Quality: Income and Housing Data Quality

Q5 - Data Quality: Chronic Homelessness

Q6 - Data Quality: Timeliness

HMIS CAPER

Appropriate length of stay will be reviewed.

2025 CAPER Report scored sections:

- √Q6a CAPER: Personal Identifiable Information
- √Q6b CAPER: Universal Data Elements
- √Q6c CAPER: Income and Housing Data Quality
- √Q6d CAPER: Chronic Homelessness
- ✓ Q6e CAPER: Timeliness

Performance Measures

You will be scored on the following sections:

- √ Hard to serve and Recidivism
- ✓ Income Increase
- ✓Outreach Destination (Outreach Only)
- √Bed Utilization (ES Only)

HMIS Requirements

Both CAPER and HUD Data Quality Report MUST be submitted as a PDF.



Priority Housing

The Priority Housing approach prioritizes placement in permanent housing over therapeutic outcomes.



Priority Housing projects will have low barriers to entry and participation.



Projects demonstrating a commitment to the Priority Housing approach will be prioritized



Priority Housing projects will focus on permanent housing placement as quickly as possible.

Housing Support Standards

Ensure that quality case management takes place and include (among other requirements):

Common assessment

Establish and track client progress and goals

Post-discharge follow-up contacts

• ALL ESG subgrantees, (including service only projects), must adhere to this.

Many related activities and outcomes are tracked in GA HMIS.

Coordinated Entry





APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IN COORDINATED ENTRY AND/OR ATTEND IMPLEMENTATION PLANNING MEETINGS FOR AREAS CLIENTS WILL BE SERVED.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL AFFECT APPLICATION SCORES.

eCivis Grant Portal



An email with the links to applications will be sent to the DCA listserv on March 31, 2025, when eCivis is open to receive applications. The link to eCivis will also be posted on the DCA website.



You will have about four (4) weeks to complete, upload and submit all required documents, including completed applications.

All components (Profile, Application, Budget) open on Monday, March 31, 2025.

All components (Profile, Application, Budget) due by 5:00 pm Friday, March 31, 2025.

eCivis Grant Portal (cont.)



All applications will be completed and submitted in eCivis Grant Portal.



Users will be able to save work and log back in later to complete an application.



It will be more important than ever to save often after uploading documents and answering questions.



Required documents are uploaded individually.



This gives applicants another chance to verify they have all the correct documents uploaded before submitting.

All required documents will be uploaded within the Profile, Application and Budget components.



More Hints

Required Documents and Application Manual will be posted on the DCA website on or by March 10, 2025

Start working on the following required documents once they are posted on the DCA website:

- Certification of Consistency with Local HUD Consolidated Plan
- Emergency Shelter Local Approval
 - Contacts for your jurisdiction can be found in the Application Manual.
 - It may take up to 30 business days for some jurisdictions to complete and return to your agency.
 - All required documents including these two are due at 5:00 pm on April 25, 2025.
 - Some applicants will have to submit more than one of both documents if they serve several jurisdictions.
 - If any challenges arise in contacting someone from your jurisdiction(s), contact the ESG Program team ASAP!

More Hints

- Identify the CoC where your agency is located.
- Identify all CoCs, if applicable, where services funded by this grant will be provided.
- Refer to the Application PowerPoint and Application Manual to complete all applications.
- Review the latest ESG Program Guidebook (January 2025) to understand requirements for all ESG Program projects.
- Participate in Q&A webinars and attend as many as possible to gain valuable insights.



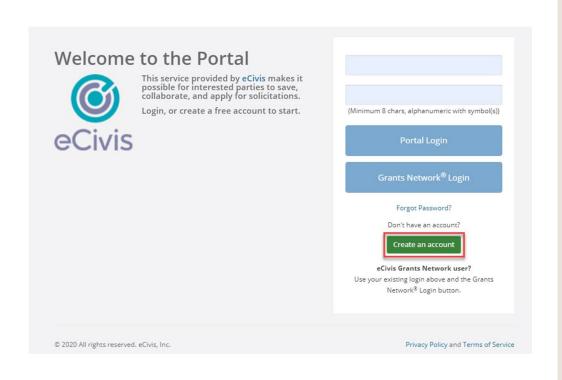
eCivis Portal

DCA ESG Application System

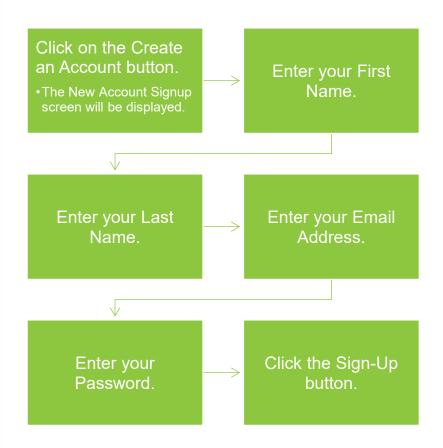


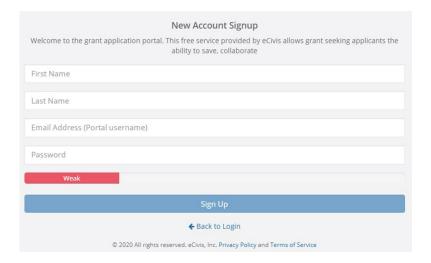
Creating Your Account

- Open your web browser (Google Chrome is recommended).
- Navigate to: http://portal.ecivis.com/
 - ✓ The eCivis Portal sign-on screen will be displayed.



Creating Your Account





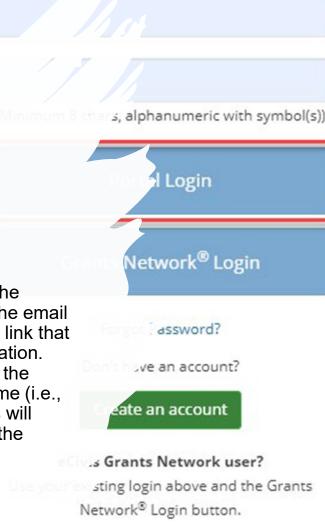
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Creating Your Account Notes

 Note: Once you click the Sign-Up button, the system will send a confirmation message to the email address entered. This message will contain a link that you will need to click to complete your registration.
 Once you have completed this step, return to the Portal sign-on screen and enter your Username (i.e., your email address) and your Password. This will allow you to log into the eCivis system using the Portal Login button on the eCivis Portal.



Creating Your Account Notes

Note:

 The email address you enter will serve as your username for the eCivis portal. Email addresses can only be tied to one user account in the eCivis system. This is necessary for data security and audit trail purposes.



Georgia Department of Community Affairs

FY2021 CDBG Annual Competition

CFDA:

Reference URL:



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grants-cdbg

https://www.dca.ga.gov/communityeconomic-development/funding-

programs/community-development-block-

- Review the solicitation details for the DCA funding opportunity you are trying to pursue either through direct communication from DCA, or through the DCA website.
- To apply for the funding opportunity, select the 'Apply' button at the top of the solicitation.

such as water and sewer lines, buildings such as local health ce centers, and economic development projects. All projects must and moderate income persons.

The maximum amount available per applicant is \$750,000 for Si regular competition and \$1,000,000 for Multi-Activity during reg



Georgia Department of Community Affairs

Application and Submission

ESG Emergency Shelter FFY24

Georgia Department of Community Affairs

Submission Eligibility Financial Contact Files

To access the required ESG required forms, ESG Application Guidelines, Help Aids, and Application Morkshop PowerPoint, select the 'Files' button at the top of the solicitation.

Summary:

The Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program pro shelter, rapid re-housing, homelessness prevention, experiencing homelessness or in danger of becoming

Sub-awards are provided to local government entitie utilizing State Housing Trust Fund for the Homeless ESG funds. These agencies then deliver program se is principally designed to operate within a continuur individuals and families who are homeless or at risk housing sustainability.

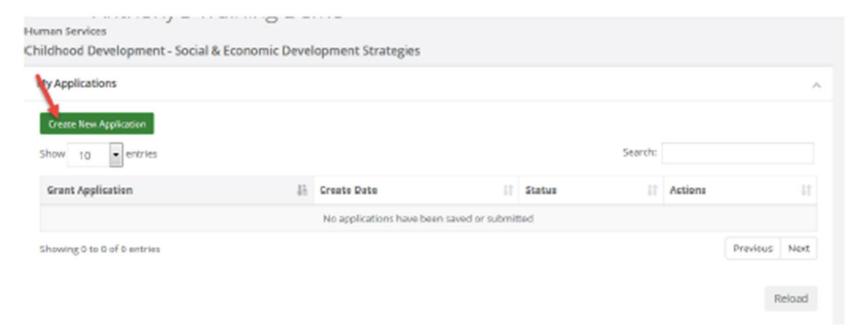
Emergency Shelter

According to the ESG regulations, "emergency shelts purpose of which is to provide a temporary shelter the specific populations of the homeless and which does leases or occupancy agreements." In limited cases the hotel/motel vouchers. Shelter stays should be avoid limited to the shortest time necessary to help partic Emergency shelter projects should be closely linked community in order to accomplish this goal of stably not limited to, rapid re-housing, transitional housing, employment. Linkages should also be made to applish SOAR, SNAP, TANF, etc.

Applicants may apply for up to \$70,000 in funding.

Application and Submission

- Once you click 'Apply,' you will be requested to log into the system or create an account if you have not already done so. The web address that you will be directed to will be http://portal.ecivis.com/.
- After logging into Portal, if you haven't already, you will be taken to the "My Applications" section of your Portal account. Click "Create New Application" to create an application for the grant.



Application and Submission

For each application, you will need to verify your account. Click on the blue "Log in with your Grant Management System Account" button. Once you click it, select the 'Portal Login' option on the next page.

Application Submissions

Sign In/Sign Up Instructions

For New Users:

By clicking **Sign Up**, you will be prompted to enter your email address and create a password. Once you have chosen your password, your account will be created and you will gain access to the portal.

For Returning Users:

Sign into the portal using the email address and the password you created when you originally signed up for the portal. If you have forgotten your password, click "Forgot your password?" and follow the prompts to reset your password.

Sign In

Log in with your Grant Management System account



Application and Submission

- Click on Application
 Process to work on the application. You will be taken to the following page:
- ✓ Once you edit the title of your application, you can begin entering data fields to complete your application. Remember to hit save periodically after updates. The submit button is only available after all required fields are complete.

Application-Match Information Upload

MATCH SOURCES

A 100% match is required. The matching requirement may be met by one or both of the following:

(2) Non-cash contributions. The value of any real property, equipment, goods, or services contributed to the grantee's ESG project, provided that if the grantee had to pay for them with grant funds, the cost would have been allowable. Non-cash contributions may also include the purchase value of any donated building.

Calculating the amount of non-cash contributions

- (1) To determine the value of any donated material or building, or of any lease, the grantee must use and document a method reasonably calculated to establish the fair market value.
- (2) Services provided by individuals must be valued at rates consistent with those ordinarily paid for similar work in the grantee's organization. If the grantee does not have employees performing similar work, the rates must be consistent with those ordinarily paid by other employers for similar work in the same labor market.
- (3) Some non-cash contributions are real property, equipment, goods, or services that, if the grantee had to pay for them with grant funds, the payments would have been indirect costs. Matching credit for these contributions must be given only if the grantee has established, along with it's regular indirect cost rate, a special rate for allocating to individual projects or projects the values of those contributions.

Instructions:

Please complete the Match Table below. The Total Amount of Match should be equal to or greater than the ESG amount requested. The ESG budget and match should be for a 12 month projection.

DCA will verify these amounts for compliance! Be realistic and be prepared to provide verification if funds are awarded!

Matching funds cannot be duplicated across projects. For example: Funds used for ESG cannot be used to match CoC or S+C

	A)Name of	B) Pledged Cash	C) Pledged- Non-Cash	
SOURCE	Program	Amount	Amount	Total (b+c)
HUD COC Funding				
Local Government (City)				
GA Dept. of Human Services				
GA Dept. Behavioral Health and				
Developmental Disabilities				
United Way				
Other State Agency				
Faith Based Organizations				
Foundations				
Fundraising Events				
In-Kind Professional Services				
Miscellaneous Cash Donations				
Volunteers @7.25 per hour				
Other				
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A 100% match is required. The applicant may include the value of any donated material or building, the value of any lease on a building, any salary paid to staff to carry out the project of the recipient, and the value of the time and services contributed by volunteers to carry out the project according to guidance provided by DCA in the application guidelines. Complete the table below to show 100% match of the total funds requested in the budget.

Application Budget Information

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Application Budget Narrative

Please list the item you have requested for the budget and the reason for the request



Case Management - This budget will be used to pay the case manager's salary.

Utilities - This budget will be used to provide for 12 months of GA Power electric bills at the shelter.

Emergency Solutions Grants Application Workshops

Tues., Feb. 4, 2025, 9:30 am

- Microbusiness Enterprise Center
- •230 S. Jackson St.
- Albany, GA, 31701

Tues., Feb. 4, 2025 Dougherty County Tues., Mar. 4, 2025, 9:30 am

- River Edge Behavioral Health
- 175 Emery Hwy
- Macon, GA 31217

Tues., Mar. 4, 2025
Bibb County

TBD

- Microsoft Teams
- Link will be available on the website and sent via email
- Post and email scheduled for the first or second week of March

Webinar

Tues., Feb. 11, 2025 Whitfield County

Tues., Feb. 11, 2025, 9:30 am

- Mack Gaston Community Center
- 218 N. Fredrick Street
- Dalton, GA 30721

Wed., Mar. 19, 2025 Chatham County

Wed. Mar. 19, 2025, 9:00 am

- · Hyatt Regency Savannah
- Two West Bay Street
- · Savannah, GA 31401



Emergency Solutions Grants Application Q&A Webinars

- Wednesday, April 2, 2025, 3:00 pm 4:00 pm Thursday, April 10, 2025, 10:00 am 11:00 am Tuesday, April 15, 2025, 2:00 pm 3:00 pm Monday, April 21, 2025, 10:30 am 11:30 am

*Links to webinars will be posted on the DCA website.

ESG Guidelines

ESG Application Guideline Manual will be posted on the ESG page on the DCA website

DCA will reserve a minimum of 75% of federal funds to be awarded to the DCA ESG entitlements area.

State Housing Trust Fund ESG funds are not prioritized to service providers operating in the DCA ESG Entitlement but are available to applicants across the state.

Fair Housing

It is the policy of the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) to comply fully with all federal, state, and local nondiscrimination laws and to operate in accordance with the rules and regulations governing Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity in housing and employment. Specifically, DCA shall not on account of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, family status, disability or age deny any family or individual the opportunity to apply for or receive assistance under HUD's Program.

Homeless Participation

To the maximum extent practicable (see also conflicts of interest prohibitions), grantees must involve homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under ESG, in providing services assisted under ESG, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under ESG.

This involvement may include employment or volunteer services.

Affirmative Outreach

...grantees must make known that use of the facilities, assistance, and services are available to all on a nondiscriminatory basis. If it is unlikely that the procedures that the grantee intends to use to make known the availability of the facilities, assistance, and services will reach persons of any particular race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, familial status, or disability who may qualify for those facilities and services, grantee must establish additional procedures that ensure that those persons are made aware of the facilities, assistance, and services

Language Barriers

✓ ...ensure effective communication with persons with disabilities including, but not limited to, adopting procedures that will make available to interested persons information concerning the location of assistance, services, and facilities that are accessible to persons with disabilities. Consistent with Title VI and Executive Order 13166, grantees are also required to take reasonable steps to ensure meaningful access to programs and activities for Limited English Proficiency (LEP) persons.





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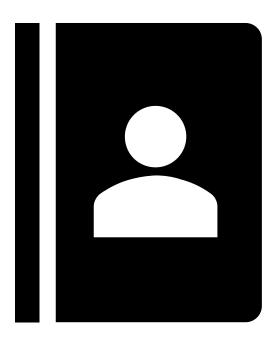
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