



# COUNTY of VENTURA

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Board of Supervisors  
County of Ventura  
800 S. Victoria Avenue  
Ventura, CA 93009

**SUBJECT: Authorize Auditor-Controller to Increase Appropriations by \$115,000, for an Increased Award of Emergency Solutions Grant – CARES Act (ESG-CV) Funds (4/5 Vote Required)**

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

It is recommended that your Board:

Authorize the Auditor-Controller to process the accounting transactions necessary to increase appropriations and revenue for the Emergency Solutions Grant – CARES Act (ESG-CV) program (4/5ths vote required);

INCREASE UNIT 1230-1231	Services and Supplies	\$115,000
INCREASE UNIT 1230-1231	Intergovernmental Revenue	\$115,000

### **FISCAL/MANDATES IMPACTS:**

#### **Fund S030**

#### **County Executive Office, Division 1230 - HUD Emergency Shelter Grant**

Mandatory:	No
Source of Funding:	HUD - Passed through the California Emergency Solutions Grant Program
Funding Match Required:	100% (Provided by subrecipients)
Impact on Other Departments:	Minimal

**Summary of Revenues and Costs:**

	<b><u>FY 2022-23</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2023-24</u></b>
Revenue	115,000	-
Costs		
Direct	115,000	-
Indirect-Agency/Dept	-	-
Indirect-County CAP	-	-
Total Costs	<u>115,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Net County Cost	-	-
Recovered Indirect Costs	-	-

<b>FY 2022-23 Budget Projection for HUD Emergency Shelter Grant – Division 1230</b>				
	Adopted Budget	Adjusted Budget	Projected Budget	Estimated Savings/(Deficit)
Appropriations	\$ 350,000	\$ 1,508,177	\$ 1,508,177	\$ 0
Revenue	\$ 350,000	\$ 1,508,177	\$ 1,508,177	\$ 0
Net Cost	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

**DISCUSSION**

The State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD or Department) administers the State Emergency Solutions Grants CARES Act (ESG-CV) program with funding received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Department has approved an increased allocation for the ESG-CV program recipients who are compliant with the current expenditure requirements. The federally-allocated ESG-CV program funds are to be utilized to address homelessness and may be used for currently eligible activities related to crisis response including: (1) engage homeless individuals and families experiencing homelessness; (2) improve the number and quality of emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families; (3) help operate these shelters; (4) provide essential services to shelter residents; (5) rapidly re-house homeless individuals and families; and, (6) prevent families/individuals from becoming homeless.

As the Administrative Entity (AE) for Ventura County, the County has been notified of an increased allocation ESG-CV award of \$115,000, in addition to the first two rounds of \$1,656,300 bringing the new total to \$1,771,300. The allocations of these funds are delineated on Exhibit 1.

The AE is responsible for awarding State ESG-CV funds locally to eligible service providers for eligible activities in their approved Service Areas. State ESG-CV regulations require that AEs select qualified service providers through a process that meets the following requirements:

1. Is a fair and open competition which avoids conflicts of interest;
2. Follows procurement requirements of Part 84 of Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations;
3. Evaluates provider capacity and experience, including the ability to deliver services in non-entitlement areas;
4. Evaluates eligibility and quality of services, including adherence to "Core Practices" pursuant to section 8409 of the State ESG program regulations;
5. Utilizes data and considers community input to identify unmet needs;
6. Prioritizes activities that address the highest unmet need, considering other available funding and system-wide performance measures;
7. Considers project-level performance measures when evaluating proposals; and
8. Collaborates with the local Continuum of Care (CoC) tasked by HUD to administer funding to address homelessness.

The County's service as the AE allows our non-profit and community collaborators to secure funding from HCD that they would not otherwise be entitled to receive. In accordance with HCD requirements, a solicitation was previously conducted for ESG funds that will be passed through the County as the AE. This increased allocation will be utilized to fill gaps within the countywide system addressing homelessness, including the ongoing need for non-congregate sheltering and street outreach programs.

This item has been reviewed by the offices of the Auditor-Controller and County Counsel. If you have questions regarding this item, please contact Christy Madden at 654-2679.

Sincerely,



Christy Madden  
Senior Deputy Executive Officer



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