

ESSEX COUNTY
DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
PUBLIC NOTICE

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In accordance with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations governing the Emergency Solutions Grant - CV (ESG - CV) Program, the County of Essex hereby notifies the public of its intent to amend its PY 2019 action plan to reflect an update in the proposed uses of ESG - CV funds. It is noted the CARES Act waived the consultation and citizen participation requirements with respect to ESG CV funds, but does require that a description of changes be published on the Internet via the appropriate government web site or other electronic media. This notice achieves this obligation as it is being published on the Essex County website.

On March 27, 2020 the Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES) was signed into law to assist communities in their efforts to prevent, prepare for and respond to the coronavirus pandemic. The CARES Act included supplemental formula allocations to HUD's CPD programs, including ESG-CV funding which has been authorized for various Street Outreach, Shelter Operations, Homeless Prevention and Rapid Rehousing rental assistance activities and Administrative costs. As of June 2022, the breakdown of authorized ESG CV funds was as follows:

Rapid ReHousing	\$ 1,392,733
Homeless Prevention	\$ 175,575
Street Outreach	\$ 80,000
Shelter Operations	\$ 771,940
Admin	\$ 268,913
 Total	 \$2,689,161

At this time, Family Promise, located at 46 Park Street, Montclair, is requesting funds totaling \$41,000 for sheltering families with children at hotels to provide safe, non congregate emergency shelter for families experiencing homelessness, and greater protection against the spread of viruses and other infections. Funds of \$36,000 will cover the gap in funding from September 2022, when the organization's first round of ESG CV grant funding was spent in full, through to August 2023, for sheltering families at hotels and \$5,000 will cover approximately 6% of the Program Director's annualized salary during this period; it is noted the Program Director spends 30% of her time managing the Emergency Shelter Program.

The County will utilize unexpended funds from other ESG CV sub recipients and/or unused administrative costs to cover this activity.

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