



Purpose

To add Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV1) and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA-CV) funding received through the Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, and to describe the uses of these funds.

ES-05 Executive Summary

On March 27, 2020 the Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES) was signed into law to assist states and communities in their efforts to prevent, prepare for and respond to the coronavirus COVID- 19. The CARES Act included supplemental formula allocations to HUD’s CPD programs, including \$5,950,572 of ESG-CV1 and \$57,316 of HOPWA-CV for the State of Arizona. ESG-CV1 funds are administered by the Arizona Department of Economic Security. HOPWA-CV funds are administered by the Arizona Department of Housing (ADOH).

PR-15 Citizen Participation

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provided multiple waivers to program procedures to facilitate and expedite the use of these funds. Waivers included an ability to amend the Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) and allow for no less than a five (5) days public comment period, use of the internet to make the Substantial Amendment available to the public and use of virtual meetings to allow for input and comment. Arizona’s CPP was amended to reflect this expedited process.

AP-15 Expected Resources

The anticipated resources for the ESG-CV1 (\$5,950,572) and HOPWA-CV (\$57,316) programs are based on award letters received in early April 2020. Future funding may be made available to address longer-term impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

AP-30 Methods of Distribution



Funding Sources:	ESG-CV
Describe the state program addressed by the Method of Distribution.	ESG-CV1 funds will be used to prevent, prepare for and respond to the coronavirus. Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)-CV1 funds will support: basic shelter and supportive services for people experiencing homelessness in the form of operation costs and direct services for persons living in Temporary Emergency Shelters; Homelessness Prevention services to assist individuals and families at risk of losing housing and becoming homeless; and HMIS data collection, information management and reporting systems.
Describe all of the criteria that will be used to select applications and the relative importance of these criteria.	The Arizona Department of Economic Security will distribute ESG-CV1 funds through a grants process pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (ARS) 41-2703 and based on the needs of the service area, availability of service providers, and availability of other resources to meet current and emerging needs.
Describe the process for awarding funds to state recipients and how the state will make its allocation available to units of general local government, and non-profit organizations, including community and faith-based organizations. (ESG only)	The Arizona Department of Economic Security will distribute ESG-CV1 funds through a grants process pursuant to ARS 41-2703 and based on the needs of the service area, availability of service providers, and availability of other resources to meet current and emerging needs.
Describe how resources will be allocated among funding categories.	ESG-CV1 funds are administered through the Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES). The DES will allocate ESG-CV1 funds as follows: approximately 73% for Temporary Emergency Shelter; and approximately 27% for Homelessness Prevention.
Describe threshold factors and grant size limits.	ESG-CV1 funds will be distributed through a grants process pursuant to ARS 41-2703 and based on the needs of the service area, availability of service providers, and availability of other resources to meet current and emerging needs. There are no grant size limits. The DES Homeless Coordination Office requires all sub-contractors to adhere to program goals and objectives.



What are the outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution?	ESG-CV1 funds will benefit an estimated 600 people through temporary emergency shelter, and 300 households through homelessness prevention.
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Funding Sources:	HOPWA-CV
Describe the state program addressed by the Method of Distribution.	HOPWA-CV funds will be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus. Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funds provide housing and supportive services for persons with HIV/AIDS and their families. HOPWA-CV funds will be used for short-term rent, mortgage and utility assistance to prevent homelessness among people with HIV/AIDS and their families.
Describe all of the criteria that will be used to select applications and the relative importance of these criteria.	Project sponsors are selected by ADOH after extensive outreach efforts to local government entities, nonprofits and grassroots organizations. HOPWA-CV funds were offered to existing HOPWA project sponsors.
Identify the method of selecting project sponsors (including providing full access to grassroots faith-based and other community-based organizations). (HOPWA only)	Project sponsors are selected by ADOH after extensive outreach efforts to local government entities, nonprofits and grassroots organizations. Contracts are reviewed annually. HOPWA-CV funds were offered to existing HOPWA project sponsors.
Describe how resources will be allocated among funding categories.	The ADOH will retain 6% (\$3,439) of HOPWA-CV funds for administration. The remaining funds will be distributed to the two project sponsors that indicated interest in additional funding. Project sponsors will utilize 10% (\$5,388) of remaining funds for administration, and 90% (\$48,489) to provide short-term rent, mortgage and utility assistance to prevent homelessness among people living with HIV/AIDS and their families.
Describe threshold factors and grant size limits.	Contracts are awarded based on the needs in the service area and available service providers. There are no grant size limits.
What are the outcome measures expected as a result of the method of distribution?	Through short-term rent, mortgage and utility assistance, HOPWA-CV funds will prevent homelessness among an estimated 30 people.