




Office of the City Manager

MEMORANDUM

From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager 
Date: June 20, 2023
Subject: **Proposed Changes to ESG-CV Expenditures**

The City of Berkeley has received \$6,648,603 in Emergency Solutions Grant coronavirus (ESG-CV) funding from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) made available through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). The proposed spending for the ESG-CV funds was adopted by City Council after a [Public Hearing on September 15, 2020](#). In response to the ever- evolving coronavirus response, the City has identified a need to shift the ESG-CV expenditure plan, while staying within budget and providing eligible activities.

The CARES Act funds are available for "eligible activities" to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus (COVID-19). Eligible ESG-CV activities include street outreach, emergency shelter, homelessness prevention, rapid re-housing, Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and administration. Specific activities using ESG funding under the CARES Act do not require a public comment period under the [City's Citizen Participation Plan](#) but shall, at minimum, be posted on the City of Berkeley's website. The City is proposing to increase funds for rapid rehousing and decrease funds from Emergency Shelter/Street Outreach. The following table details initial and revised expenditure plans:

ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURES	Initial Expenditure Plan	Jan 2021 Revised Expenditure Plan	Nov 2021 Revised Expenditure Plan	August 2022 Revised Expenditure Plan	June 2023 Revised Expenditure Plan
Rapid Rehousing	\$ 2,597,578	\$ 2,591,095	\$ 2,160,000	\$ 2,367,000	\$ 2,401,715
Emergency Shelter and Street Outreach	\$ 3,386,165	\$ 3,380,648	\$ 4,013,906	\$ 3,786,906	\$ 3,752,191
Homeless Management Information System	\$ -	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000
Administration (7.5%)	\$ 664,860	\$ 664,860	\$ 462,697	\$ 482,697	\$ 482,697
Total	\$ 6,648,603	\$ 6,648,603	\$ 6,648,603	\$ 6,648,603	\$ 6,648,603

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At the time of this notice, charges to the revised activities have not yet been incurred by the City, but eligible expenses may be retroactive and reimbursable to contracted agencies as of the beginning of the fiscal year (July 1, 2020) in alignment with the ESG- CV funding as part of the City's Annual Action Plan.

All written comments must be sent to both johler@berkeleyca.gov AND Community Planning and Development COVID-19WaiverSFO@hud.gov no later than June 30 2023, at 5:00 p.m.

For more information only email or call Josh Oehler at the Health, Housing and Community Services Department. Email: joehler@berkeleyca.gov Phone: 510-981-5408.

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