

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS  
BOARD ACTION SUMMARY

DEPT: Planning and Community Development BOARD AGENDA #: \*D-1  
AGENDA DATE: September 26, 2017

**SUBJECT:**

Approval to Adopt a New Resolution for the California Department of Housing and Community Development Emergency Solutions Grants Program for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 to Increase Funding

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2017-554

On motion of Supervisor Olsen, Seconded by Supervisor Withrow  
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: Olsen, Withrow, Monteith, DeMartini, and Chairman Chiesa

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1)  Approved as recommended

2)  Denied

3)  Approved as amended

4)  Other:

MOTION:

ATTEST:   
ELIZABETH A. KING, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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AGENDA ITEM**

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CEO CONCURRENCE:

4/5 Vote Required: Yes  No

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. Adopt a new Resolution to authorize the Director of Planning and Community Development to accept an increase in the State of California Housing and Community Development Department Emergency Solutions Grants Program funding.

**DISCUSSION:**

On May 23, 2017, the Board of Supervisors authorized the Department of Planning and Community Development to submit an Administrative Entity (AE) Award Recommendation Package for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program to provide services to individuals and families that are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless in Stanislaus County. The authorization also included allowing the Director of Planning and Community Development to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Stanislaus Community System of Care (CoC) and to submit to HCD all documents required for release of funds.

HCD administers its ESG Program with funding received from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The ESG Program provides funding to: (1) engage homeless individuals and families living on the street; (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.

Stanislaus County, as the "lead entity" of the Stanislaus Urban County, also receives federal ESG Program funding directly from HUD as an entitlement jurisdiction. Designed by HUD as a first step in a Continuum of Care plan of assistance, the ESG Program strives to address the immediate needs of persons residing on the street and needing emergency shelter and transitional housing, as well as assisting their movement to independent living. While flexible in terms of serving all homeless subpopulations and preventing a person from becoming homeless, ESG Program legislation and implementing regulations do limit the types of activities and amounts that can be spent on different activities.

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On May 23, 2017, the Board of Supervisors authorized the Department to accept, if awarded, funding in the amount of \$527,354. At that time HCD had not yet released the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the ESG Program, and based on past awards the Department anticipated an award amount of \$527,354.

HCD released the NOFA for the ESG Program on June 13, 2017, on July 26, 2017, announced changes to the NOFA. The July changes included an updated estimated amount of funding to \$558,731, revised language required to be included in the AE’s authorizing resolution, and extended the deadline for submittal of the AE Award Recommendation Package to September 1, 2017. HCD is requiring all applicants to return to their governing bodies for adoption of a revised authorizing resolution reflecting the following changes:

1. An increase in the estimated funding amount. Recognizing that the latest funding amount is only an estimate, and in order to avoid a future need to update the authorizing resolution, HCD has amended the resolution to reflect an allowance to accept an award amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.
2. The specific name and title of the individual authorized by the Board of Supervisors to sign all documents related to the ESG program.
3. The estimated release of the NOFA to reflect July 2017.

HCD provided the Authorizing Resolution template for approving the submittal of an AE Award Recommendation Package for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 is provided as Attachment “1”. As a result of the overall funding increase to the HCD ESG funding allocation, Stanislaus County is able to recommend an increased amount to both nonprofit agencies that requested funds. Those agencies are Community Housing and Shelter Services (CHSS) and Salvation Army, Modesto Citadel. Below are the changes to the AE award recommendations for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 as of the latest increase in estimated HCD ESG program funding:

Agency	Program	Agency Requested Funding	Board of Supervisors Approved May 23, 2017	Adjusted Funding as of July 2017
Stanislaus County	Administration	N/A	\$ 19,765.00	\$ 19,887.00
CHSS	Rapid Re Housing	\$ 187,500.00	\$ 248,987.50	\$ 261,878.00
Salvation Army	Emergency Shelter	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 161,487.50	\$ 174,378.00
Stanislaus County	Coordinated Entry	N/A	\$ 44,379.00	\$ 46,715.00
CHSS/Salvation Army	HMIS	N/A	\$ 52,735.00	\$ 55,873.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 287,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 527,354.00</b>	<b>\$ 558,731.00</b>

Stanislaus County, as the AE for HCD ESG Program funding, submitted the required Award Recommendation Package to HCD on August 30, 2017.

**POLICY ISSUE:**

State Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program funding will serve to provide needed housing and services to homeless individuals and families throughout Stanislaus County,

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consistent with the County's Focus on Prevention efforts and the individual Housing Element General Plan policies of Stanislaus County and the nine cities within the County.

State ESG Program funding may be applied across jurisdictional boundaries; however, as the Administrative Entity entering into a Standard Agreement with California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), Stanislaus County will be accountable for the financial and operational administration of HCD-ESG Program funds in conformance with HCD and Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) provides Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program award funds on a reimbursement basis for ESG Program claimed eligible costs up to \$558,731 for Fiscal Year 2017-2018. The funds include a \$19,887 administrative allowance with a balance of \$538,844 for eligible services. Administrative costs not covered by the administrative allowance will be funded by available Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) administrative funds or department revenue. The funding is available through June 30, 2019. The increase in estimated revenue and appropriations of \$31,377 will be included in the Department's 2017-2018 Mid-Year budget adjustment.

<b>Cost of recommended action:</b>		\$ 558,731
<b>Source(s) of Funding:</b>		
HCD Emergency Solutions Grants Program	558,731	
<b>Funding Total:</b>		\$ 558,731
<b>Net Cost to County General Fund</b>		\$ -
<b>Fiscal Year:</b>	2017/2018	
<b>Budget Adjustment/Appropriations needed:</b>	No	

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PRIORITY:**

The administration of the State's Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program funding allocation will help further the Board of Supervisors' priority of striving for a Safe Community, a Healthy Community, and Effective Partnerships.

**STAFFING IMPACT:**

Additional administrative oversight and reporting will be assumed by existing Planning and Community Development staff.

**CONTACT PERSON:**

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**ATTACHMENT(S):**

1. Resolution Approving the Submittal of an Administrative Entity (AE) Award Recommendation Package for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 to the California Department of Housing and Community Development

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and approved by the following vote,  
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Noes: Supervisors: None  
Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None  
Abstaining: Supervisor: None

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED:

Item # \*D-1

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY (AE) AWARD  
RECOMMENDATION PACKAGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 TO THE STATE OF  
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

The Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors, as the governing entity for Stanislaus County ("State ESG Administrative Entity") hereby consent to, adopt and ratify the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the State of California (the "State"), Department of Housing and Community Development ("HCD") issued a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) projected to be released in July 2017, under the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program ("Program"); and,

WHEREAS, Stanislaus County is an approved ESG Administrative Entity; and,

WHEREAS, the HCD may approve funding allocations for the ESG Program, subject to the terms and conditions of the NOFA, Program guidelines and requirements, and the Standard Agreement and other contracts between HCD and ESG grant recipients.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT if Stanislaus County receives a grant of funds from HCD, County represents and certifies that it will use all such funds in a manner consistent and in compliance with all applicable state, federal, and other statutes, rules, regulations, guidelines and laws ("rules and laws"), including without limitation all rules and laws regarding the ESG Program, as well as any and all contracts Stanislaus County may have with HCD.

Stanislaus County is hereby authorized and directed to receive an ESG Program grant, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 in accordance with all rules and laws.

Stanislaus County hereby agrees to use the ESG Program funds for eligible activities as approved by HCD and in accordance with all Program requirements, and other rules and laws, as well as in a manner consistent and in compliance with the Standard Agreement and other contracts between State ESG Administrative Entity and HCD.

Angela Freitas, Director of Planning and Community Development is authorized to execute the Standard Agreement and any subsequent amendments or modifications thereto, as well as any other documents which are related to the Program or the ESG Program grant awarded to State ESG Administrative Entity, as HCD may deem appropriate.

ATTEST: ELIZABETH A. KING, Clerk  
Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors,  
State of California



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