

City Council Talking Points

Sep 20th, 2021

○ 30 Days

- Preparing non-profits for Funding: Fed, State, County, City Funding
 - TEAMS: Tuesday Sep 21st 1-2 pm Opening Doors
- Homeless ID's I10 Bridge
- EHV (Emergency Housing Vouchers) Sec 8
- Emg, TH, and PH project capacity
- GIS Mapping
 - Observation Point in Time Count

2020 Observation Count		2021 Observation Count	
Sep 30	247	Sep 30 th Thursday	
Oct 30	192	Oct 27 th Wed	
Dec 17	223	Dec 3 rd Friday	

○ 60 Days

- Federal Funding NOFO Notice of Federal Opportunity
- CoC Bonus \$94,961 and \$284,882 DV Bonus (Identify Agencies)
- Coalesce Street Outreach Teams



**State of Florida
Department of Children and Families**

Ron DeSantis
Governor

Shevaun L. Harris
Secretary

DATE: September 20, 2021
TO: Memo to Contract File
FROM: Office on Homelessness
SUBJECT: ESG-CV Contract Deliverables

Background:

The State Office on Homelessness receives funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide emergency services to individuals and families who are homeless or facing homelessness. The Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) provides funding to engage homeless families in services, improve emergency shelters, and help operate those shelters. The eligible activities provided through ESG include Street Outreach, Emergency Shelter, Homelessness Prevention, and Rapid Re-housing.

The current contract monthly minimums are required for each of the above listed components. However, Continuums of Care (CoCs) may have difficulty meeting the requirements of the contract while also meeting the unique needs of individuals in their communities. This memo allows CoCs to serve the same number of individuals as outlined in the monthly deliverable section and remain flexible to the needs of their communities.

Impact on Providers:

Affordable Housing – The National Low-Income Housing Coalition reports a shortage of rental homes in Florida that are affordable and available to extremely low-income households. As the median income has been stagnated, housing costs have increased, and the availability of affordable units has decreased. The impact on providers is that the lack of affordable housing units reduces the capacity for providers to find affordable units to house clients, or it is taking additional time to locate and secure affordable units.

CDC Moratorium on Evictions – Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has provided clarification that households covered under the current Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) moratorium are not eligible for ESG assistance. The impact on providers is that federal regulations do not allow impacted households to be served with homelessness prevention prior to the expiration of the moratorium.

Department (Office on Homelessness) Determination:

The Office on Homelessness anticipates that CoCs may have difficulty meeting the current minimum monthly deliverables and/or performance measures as a direct result of the mitigating circumstances beyond the providers' control. Section 6.2.4. of the contract permits waiver of a

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