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Title: ADOPT Resolution No. 2025-91 authorizing the Conservation and Development Director, or designee, to apply for and execute a contract to accept State of California (State) Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds in an amount not to exceed \$1,154,259 for eligible activities to assist homeless individuals and families with services to regain permanent housing as approved by the State ESG Program requirements and other applicable rules and laws, for fiscal years 2024/25 through 2026/27, and APPROVE proposed 2024/25 spending plan. (No County match)

Attachments: 1. Attachment A: 2024-25 State ESG Recommendations, 2. 24-25 State ESG 3 year Resolution

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: John Kopchik, Director, Conservation and Development

Report Title: 2024/25 State of California Emergency Solutions Grant Program Funds

Recommendation of the County Administrator Recommendation of Board Committee

RECOMMENDATIONS:

ADOPT a Resolution authorizing the Conservation and Development Director, or designee, to apply for and execute a contract to accept State of California (State) Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds in an amount not to exceed \$1,154,259 for eligible activities to assist homeless individuals and families with services to regain permanent housing as approved by the State ESG Program requirements and other applicable rules and laws, for fiscal years 2024/25 through 2026/27, and APPROVE proposed 2024/25 spending plan.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No General Fund impact. All funds are provided to the County on a formula basis through the State of California. The State ESG funds are allocated to the State by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and then distributed to eligible local Administrative Entities. Contra Costa County is an eligible Administrative Entity. The estimated State ESG formula allocation to the County is \$769,506 of which \$304,250 available with estimated FY 2024 funds; \$232,628 available with estimated FY 2025 funds; and \$232,628 available with estimated FY 2026 funds. However, additional funds may become available from disencumbered expired ESG contracts. Application instructions from the State recommend listing an approved dollar amount that is at least 150 percent of the formula allocation, or \$1,154,259, to receive additional funds if they become available. The attached table of recommended State ESG allocations includes only the estimated amount. A portion of the funds are reserved for program administration in the County’s Department of Conservation and Development.

BACKGROUND:

The State of California Department of Housing and Community Development allocates State Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds to Continuum of Care (CoC) geographic areas. The CoC is a program through which the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development strives to end homelessness. The County's Health, Housing and Homeless Services manages the CoC for Contra Costa. The County Department of Conservation and Development (DCD) is the Administrative Entity for the State ESG funds and is required to collaborate with the CoC. The ESG Program provides funds to activities that (1) engage homeless individuals and families who are living on the street, (2) improve the number and quality of emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families, (3) help operate shelters, (4) provide essential services to shelter residents, (5) rapidly re-house homeless individuals and families, and (6) prevent families/individuals from becoming homeless. The County has participated in the State ESG Program since 2016.

Starting with the FY 2024/25 State ESG funding cycle, the State Department of Housing and Community Development has moved to a three-year funding cycle for State ESG funds and is allowing agencies to submit a three-year resolution, covering FY 2024, FY 2025, and FY 2026. Therefore, the State ESG Fund Resolution is for the County to apply for and receive three years' worth of State ESG funding. Although the resolution is for three years of funding, staff is only requesting approval for FY 2024 funding recommendations for the respective agencies and programs reflected in Attachment A. County staff will return to the Board of Supervisors in the subsequent years for the approval of funding recommendations to agencies and programs for FY 2025 and FY 2026 State ESG funds.

To apply for allocations of State ESG funds, the County Board of Supervisors must approve a resolution authorizing and affirming the following: 1) that the funds will be used in a manner consistent with all applicable laws, regulations and contracts regarding the ESG Program; 2) that the County will receive ESG grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$1,154,259; 3) that the ESG grant funds will be used for eligible activities; and 4) that the DCD Director, or designee, is authorized to execute a Standard Agreement for ESG funds and related documents.

CoC - Council on Homelessness Meeting

The Contra Costa Council on Homelessness (COH) is appointed by the Board of Supervisors and serves as the County's CoC executive council. It provides advice and input on the operations of homeless services and program operations, establishes the local process for applying for various programs, including ESG. Given that this is the first year of the State's three-year funding cycle, DCD staff consulted with the COH at its March 6, 2025 meeting to present the funding recommendations for year one (FY 2024/25) funds. The COH approved those recommendations for the Board's consideration. Attachment A provides the recommended amounts of FY 2024/25 State ESG funds to each respective service provider. As previously stated, although the State ESG Fund Resolution is for three years of funding, staff is only requesting approval of FY 2024 funding recommendations for the respective agencies and programs reflected in Attachment A, and staff will come back to the Board in subsequent years for the approval of FY 2025 and FY 2026 recommendations.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The County will not be able to receive State ESG funds to support CoC geographic areas.

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
and for Special Districts, Agencies and Authorities Governed by the Board**

IN THE MATTER OF **Resolution No. 2025-91**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING AND THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO FROM THE 2024-2027 FUNDING YEARS OF THE STATE ESG PROGRAM.

All of the members of the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County hereby consent to, adopt and ratify the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the State of California (the "State"), Department of Housing and Community Development ("Department") issued a Notice of Funding Availability ("NOFA") dated December 31, 2024 under the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program ("Program" or "ESG Program"); and

WHEREAS Applicant is an approved Subrecipient.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

SECTION 1. Applicant is an approved Subrecipient or Contractor by their Continuum of Care and is hereby authorized and directed to receive an ESG Program grant, in an amount not to exceed \$1,154,259 in accordance with all applicable rules and laws.

SECTION 2. Applicant hereby affirms that if ESG Program funds remain available for allocation after the deadline for submitting an application, and if the Department advises Applicant that Applicant is eligible for an additional allocation from these remaining funds, Applicant is hereby authorized and directed to accept this additional allocation of funds ("Additional ESG Allocation") up to the amount authorized by Department but not to exceed \$192,377.

SECTION 3. Applicant hereby affirms that the ESG Program funds and allocation amounts published under the NOFA represent three consecutive Annual Funding Cycles; the second and third Annual Funding Cycles are estimated amounts only, and actual amounts, if any, are contingent upon the Department receiving an annual grant agreement from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

SECTION 4. The Department may approve funding allocations for the ESG Program, subject to the terms and conditions of the NOFA, Program regulations, Program guidelines, and the Standard Agreement. The Applicant acknowledges compliance with all state and federal public participation requirements in the development of its applications.

SECTION 5. If Applicant receives a grant of ESG Program funds from the Department pursuant to the above referenced ESG Program NOFA, it represents and certifies that it will use all such funds in a manner consistent and in compliance with all applicable state and federal statutes, rules, regulations,

laws, and guidelines, including without limitation all rules and laws regarding the ESG Program, all as may be subsequently amended from time to time, as well as any and all other contracts Applicant may have with the Department.

SECTION 6. The applicant hereby authorizes and directs the Director-Department of Conservation and Development, or designee, to execute and deliver all applications and act on the Applicant's behalf in all matters pertaining to all such applications.

SECTION 7. If an application is approved, the Director-Department Conservation and Development, or designee, is authorized and directed to act on behalf of the Applicant in connection with the ESG Allocation Award and any Additional ESG Allocation enter into, execute and deliver the grant agreement (*i.e.*, Standard Agreement) and any and all subsequent amendments thereto with the State of California of the purposes of the grant.

SECTION 8. If an application is approved, the Director-Department Conservation and Development, or designee, is authorized to sign and submit Funds Requests and all required reporting forms and other documentation as may be required by the State of California from time to time in connection with the grant.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors held on March 25, 2025 by the following vote:

AYES: John Gioia, Candace Andersen, Diane Burgis, Ken Carlson

NOES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: Shanelle Scales-Preston

Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

I, June McHuen, am the Deputy Clerk of Contra Costa County, a Public Agency, and such as, am familiar with the facts herein and do hereby certify as follows:

1. That the County of Contra Costa is a Public agency, duly formed, validly existing and duly qualified to transact business in the State of California, with full power and authority to enter into agreements with the Department of Housing and Community Development ("Department").



A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "June McHuen", is written over a horizontal line.

By: June McHuen, Deputy Clerk
Date: March 25, 2025