

**Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)  
Starting Point Process Overview and Instructions  
2025**

**Eligible Expenses**

The Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) addresses the needs of homeless people in emergency shelters and assists people to quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness.

Per 24 CFR Parts 91 and 576, subpart B, ESG funds can be used for five program components:

1. Street Outreach
2. Emergency Shelter
  - a. Essential Services
  - b. Renovations
  - c. Shelter Operations
3. Homelessness prevention
4. Rapid re-housing assistance
5. Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS)

All data will be pulled from the Clarity Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). Data will be compiled from several reports as listed below and STEH will allow time for projects to review their data before the funding calculation is complete. Timeframe for data:

- 10/1/2023-9/30/2024 – bed nights, positive housing
- The meeting to examine outcomes and determine allocation recommendations will be held on **January 29, 2025, from 9AM-10AM** via Microsoft Teams.

**Current Starting Point Calculation for ESG Prince of Peace Allocation**

Bed nights are assigned a dollar value based on amount of funds available <b>Clarity Dashboards for Bed Nights; Entry/Exits for enrollment shelter;          Clarity Housing Census Report for the YWCA</b>
Preliminary allocations are determined by the number of bed nights from each program
Positive Housing outcomes are factored into the allocation for the following exit destinations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Permanent Destinations; Transitional Housing for Homeless (b3); Residential Project or Halfway House Non-Homeless (d1).</li> <li>• All exits considered by HUD to be “neutral” will be removed from the universe.</li> </ul> <b>HMIS report – HUD Annual Performance Report (APR) only the last exit, no inter-shelter exits</b>

\*Outcomes are not counted on safe shelter or winter shelter beds

\*Exits to Foster care (c1) are also counted as positive exits for Youth Crisis Center