Working to End Homelessness in Guilford County

GUILFORD COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE

**FY 2022 - 2023 Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program
Request for Applications**

**Date of Notice**
August 1, 2022

**Purpose**

The purpose of this Request for Application (RFA) is to solicit applications from non-profits and local units of government who are interested in providing Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) services related to assisting individuals or families that are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless within the NC-504 or Guilford County Continuum of Care (CoC). **ESG funds can be used for Emergency Response Activities, including emergency shelter operations/services and street outreach, and Housing Stability Activities, including homelessness prevention and rapid rehousing.**

**Description**

NC ESG funds are intended to be used as part of a crisis response system using a low barrier, housing-focused approach to ensure that homelessness is rare, brief, and one time. Activities can include:

* Engaging homeless individuals and families living on the street;
* Improving the number and quality of emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families;
* Helping operate emergency shelters;
* Providing essential services to emergency shelter residents,
* Rapidly rehouse homeless individuals and families, and
* Preventing families and individuals from becoming homeless.

**Funding Amount**

The total FY 2022-2023 NC ESG Fair Share for the Guilford County CoC is $276,717. Of these funds:

* $166,030 or 60% **maximum** can be used for Emergency Services
* $110,204 or 40% **minimum** can be used for Housing Stability

**Eligibility**

The CoC will accept applications from any member organizations who meet all of the application criteria including submissions of letter(s) of intent, documentation, and a complete application. Organizations recommended by the CoC for funding will contract directly with NC DHHS Division of Aging and Adult Services (NC DHHS-DAAS), for funding or with a Fiscal Sponsor, who will then contract directly with NC DHHS-DAAS.

**How to Apply**

Organizations intending to submit applications in response to this RFA must submit both a Letter of Intent to Apply (LOI) including required documentation and a complete project application. The Letter of Intent and accompanying documentation must be submitted to the Collaborative Applicant electronically by email and/or a to-be-provided file transfer link no later than 11:59pm on Friday, August 12, 2022. The complete application must be submitted via Smartsheet (link) no later than 11:59pm on Friday, August 26, 2022. All applications received by these deadlines will be reviewed. Late applications will not be reviewed absent extreme mitigating circumstances, as specified in the policies and procedures of the Guilford County CoC. **The full ESG grant process timeline, letter of intent requirements, and application details are available as part of the RFA packet and on the Guilford County CoC website at** [GuilfordCountyCoC.org](https://myguilford-my.sharepoint.com/personal/asmith7_guilfordcountync_gov/Documents/Working%20Files/2022%20esg%2C%20nofo%20applications/2022%20ESG/GuilfordCountyCoC.org).

**RFA Instructional Session and Q&A**

All prospective applicants are strongly encouraged to attend one of the in-person technical assistance sessions below, being offered by the NC ESG Office, to review and discuss the 2022-2023 NC ESG RFA:

* Tuesday, July 26, 10am-12pm (any applicants):
Registration Link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3419260583995239696>
* Thursday, July 28, 10am-12pm (new applicants):
Registration Link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4865011721892815629>
* Tuesday, August 2, 1pm-3pm (any applicants)
Registration Link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2908596806521244430>

Applicants are also strongly encouraged to attend the Guilford County CoC’s ESG Applicant Information/Training Session

* Tuesday, August 2, 8:30am-10am (any applicants)
For registration, please contact CA staff at infoCoC@guilfordcountync.gov

**Deadlines for Submission**

* Letter of Intent (LOI) – submit no later than 5:00 PM on Friday, August 12, 2022 to infoCoC@guilfordcountync.gov
* Project Application – submit no later than 5:00PM on Friday, August 26, 2022 via Smartsheet at a link to be provided by the Collaborative Applicant prior to the Project Application deadline.

**How to Obtain Further Information**

Please direct all inquiries concerning this RFA to:

Cheri Neal

CoC Program Manager

Guilford County Department of Health & Human Services

Phone: 336-641-7196

Email: infoCoC@guilfordcountync.gov

Guilford County COC RFA Application Documents can be found on the CoC website at [GuilfordCountyCoC.org](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5Csburnett%5CAppData%5CLocal%5CMicrosoft%5CWindows%5CINetCache%5CContent.Outlook%5CWEDXAE96%5CGuilfordCountyCoC.org).

State ESG RFA information can be found on the NC DHHS – DAAS website at <https://www.ncdhhs.gov/about/grant-opportunities/aging-and-adult-services-grant-opportunities>