



GUILFORD COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE

Working to End Homelessness in Guilford County

FY 2023-2024 Emergency Solutions Grant REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS

This document is Guilford County Continuum of Care's notice of public solicitation for new project applications and returning project applications.

Date of Notice

June 9, 2023

Purpose

The purpose of this Request for Applications (RFA) is to solicit applications from non-profits and local units of government who are interested in providing Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) programs and services to individuals and/or families who are experiencing homelessness or who are at risk of experiencing homelessness in the NC-504 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, rapid rehousing, and operation of HMIS or comparable databases.

Description

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 2023 - 2024 NC ESG Fair Share for the Guilford County CoC is \$276,106. Of these funds:

- \$165,664 or 60% **maximum** can be used for Emergency Services
- \$110,442 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 a Letter of Intent, documentation, and a completed 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

Applications in response to the RFA must be received through Smartsheet submission to the CoC by **11:59pm on Wednesday, July 5, 2023**. All applications received by this deadline 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://www.guilfordcountync.gov).**

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 2023-2024 NC ESG RFA:

Tuesday, June 13, 10:00am-12:00pm

Thursday, June 15, 10:00am-12:00pm (new applicants focus)

Tuesday, June 20, 1:00pm-3:00pm

Registration Link (for all sessions):

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/7666695999469940309>

Applicants are also strongly encouraged to attend the Guilford County CoC's Grant 101 Training on Thursday, June 15, at 1:00pm.

Deadline for Submission

Project applications are due by 11:59pm on Wednesday, July 5, 2023 via Smartsheet submission at the following link: <https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/b9668f2a430742d6824eaa10a9ed7ebd>.

How to Obtain Further Information

Please direct all inquiries concerning this RFA to:

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Guilford County CoC RFA Application Documents can be found on the CoC website at [GuilfordCountyCoC.org](https://www.guilfordcountync.gov).

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>

In the process of administering this program, NC DHHS-DAAS will make decisions and interpretations regarding regional, fiscal, and project applications. NC DHHS-DAAS is entitled to the full discretion

allowed by law in making all such decisions and interpretations. NC DHHS-DAAS reserves the right to request additional information from any applicant. NC DHHS-DAAS reserves the right to reject any and all applications received. NC DHHS-DAAS reserves the right to amend, modify, or withdraw provisions contained in this application that are inconsistent or in conflict with state or federal laws or regulations. All applications for NC ESG funding become the property of NC DHHS-DAAS.