pertenece la entidad ha solicitado y recibido la aprobación de HUD para servir a esta población.

Los **Albergues Transitorios** deben priorizar las siguientes poblaciones:

1) Jóvenes que no estén emancipados
2) Personas huyendo/intentando huir de violencia doméstica
3) Personas que buscan recuperarse de alguna adicción

Toda entidad que bajo la *grandfather clause* opere como albergue transitorio, le aplicarán los mismos estándares que a los albergues de emergencia en términos de participantes elegibles, ambiente del albergue, separación involuntaria de la familia, seguridad y protección.

b. Duración del Servicio

Los fondos pueden ser utilizados para cubrir costos de vivienda y servicios de apoyo hasta un máximo de veinticuatro (24) meses. Los participantes del programa de vivienda transitoria deberán completar un acuerdo de arrendamiento por un término de, al menos, un (1) mes. El mismo debe ser renovado automáticamente al expirar, excepto cuando sea notificado por escrito con antelación por cualquiera de las dos partes, o hasta un máximo de 24 meses. Los servicios de apoyo deben estar disponibles en todo momento mientras el participante resida en el albergue transitorio.

Algunos servicios complementarios de seguimiento pueden ser provistos hasta seis (6) meses después que el participante deje de recibir los servicios de albergue transitorio.

c. Limitaciones Aplicables a **Albergues Transitorios** 24 CFR 576.79

Una persona sin hogar puede permanecer en un **Albergue Transitorio** por un periodo mayor de veinticuatro (24) meses, si el participante no ha podido ser ubicado en una vivienda permanente y/o si requiere más tiempo de ajuste para prepararse para la vida independiente. Sin embargo, el DF puede descontinuar los fondos para los proyectos de **Albergue Transitorio** si más de la mitad de sus participantes permanecen en el proyecto por más de 24 meses.

La entidad debe tomar en consideración que, ubicar un participante o familia en un **Albergue Transitorio** podría afectar su elegibilidad para otros programas. Por ejemplo, las personas que están ubicadas en albergues transitorios, en ocasiones no cualifican para programas los de *rapid re-housing* financiados por CoC. En los casos de personas sin hogar crónicas, la ubicación en un **Albergue Transitorio** elimina su estatus de cronicidad. Esto podría limitar el acceso de esta población a servicios especializados de salud y/o vivienda permanente.

d. Medidas de Desempeño

Cónsono con HUD, los estándares mínimos relacionados a las medidas de desempeño como parte del componente de **Albergue Transitorio** son como se detallan en la Tabla 8:

Tabla 8: Medida de Desempeño – Albergue Transitorio
• Número de personas que ingresó en albergue de transitorio
• Número de personas que salieron del programa
• Porciento de personas que cumplieron con su plan de servicios
• Porciento de personas que aumentaron sus ingresos de cualquier fuente

Tabla 8: Medida de Desempeño – Albergue Transitorio
• Porciento de personas que permanecieron en el albergue por menos de 24 meses • Porciento de personas que permanecieron en el albergue por más de 24 meses • Porciento de personas ubicadas en vivienda permanente

C. PREVENCIÓN Y *RAPID RE-HOUSING* <u>24 CFR 576.103 24 CFR 576.104</u>

Las actividades de **Prevención** están diseñadas para prevenir la entrada a albergues y promover la retención de vivienda. Mientras, las actividades de ***Rapid Re-Housing*** están diseñadas para mover a las personas sin hogar de forma rápida a una vivienda permanente. Estos dos componentes de servicio tienen algunas diferencias (ver Tabla 9); sin embargo, ambos ofrecen servicios de reubicación y estabilización, y asistencia financiera. Además, proveen para asistencia de alquiler a corto y mediano plazo.

Tabla 9: Comparación entre Prevención y *Rapid Re-Housing*

	 Prevención	 *Rapid Re-Housing*
Participantes elegibles	• Categoría 2: en riesgo inminente de perder su hogar • Categoría 3: persona sin hogar bajo otros estatutos federales • Categoría 4: huyendo o intentando huir de violencia doméstica • **En riesgo de perder el hogar**: todas las categorías • Ingreso anual por debajo del **30%**	• Categoría 1: literalmente sin hogar • Categoría 4: huyendo o intentando huir de violencia doméstica (si individuos o familia también están literalmente sin hogar)
Propósito	• <u>**Prevenir o evitar**</u> que personas con vivienda se queden sin hogar. • Ayudar a estas personas a <u>**recuperar la estabilidad**</u> en su vivienda actual u otra vivienda permanente	• Ayudar a las personas sin hogar que viven en la calle o en un albergue de emergencia en el proceso de transición a una vivienda permanente para que sea lo más rápido posible, y luego • Ayudar a estas personas a <u>**lograr la estabilidad**</u> en la vivienda
Re-evaluación	• Cada <u>**3 meses**</u> • Debe tener un ingreso <u>**igual o inferior a 30%**</u> de la renta media del área geográfica donde vive, y • Carecer de recursos y red de apoyo	• Cada <u>**12 meses**</u> • Debe tener un ingreso <u>**igual o inferior al 30%**</u> de la renta media del área geográfica donde vive, y • Carecer de recursos y red de apoyo
Actividades elegibles	• Servicios de reubicación y estabilización, y asistencia financiera • Asistencia de alquiler a corto y mediano plazo	• Servicios de reubicación y estabilización, y asistencia financiera • Asistencia de alquiler a corto y mediano plazo

Los siguientes aspectos deben ser tomados en consideración al administrar fondos destinados a ofrecer servicios de **Prevención y Rapid Re-Housing**:

1. Elegibilidad por Ingresos

   Durante la evaluación inicial se verificarán los ingresos del individuo o familia para determinar la elegibilidad de acuerdo a lo requerido por HUD para servicios de **Prevención** (no aplica a *Rapid-Re Housing*). Esta indagación es importante, ya que le permitirá al manejador de casos verificar los documentos entregados por el participante y así validar el ingreso anual. El ingreso del individuo o familia no podrá exceder el 30% de la mediana para el área geográfica y el tamaño familiar. Para facilitar la verificación de la mediana, HUD tiene disponible la calculadora de ingresos. Las entidades podrán utilizar la calculadora de ingresos como una herramienta para determinar la elegibilidad de ingresos, y la cantidad de asistencia para los beneficiarios de los programas.

   Los estándares mínimos para la determinación del ingreso anual de un individuo o familia consisten en el cálculo de ingresos de acuerdo con 24 CFR 5.609. El ingreso anual se define como la suma de la cantidad de ingresos monetarios o la ausencia de estos. Los siguientes criterios serán utilizados para determinar el ingreso de la familia:

   a. Los ingresos pueden estar a nombre del jefe de familia o cónyuge (aunque esté temporalmente ausente) o bajo cualquier otro miembro de la familia.
   b. La cantidad proyectada que la familia recibirá en un periodo de 12 meses después de la admisión o reevaluación anual; y que no estén excluidos específicamente en 24 CFR 5.609 (c).

c. Los ingresos anuales pueden ser las cantidades que se deriven (durante el período de 12 meses) de bienes a los que cualquier miembro de la familia tiene acceso.

Cónsono con la reglamentación 24 CFR 5.609 (b), para determinar el ingreso máximo del grupo familiar se utilizará como guía lo siguiente:

a. **Ingreso por empleo** - La cantidad completa de ingresos bruto que recibe el participante adulto antes de contribuciones y deducciones. Esto incluye ingresos de salarios, sueldos, propinas, bonificaciones, comisiones y otros.

b. **Ingresos de Negocios** - Ingreso neto devengado de la operación de un negocio o profesión.

c. **Ingreso por intereses y dividendos** - Ingresos por concepto de activos incluyendo los intereses de cuentas de cheques o de ahorros, intereses y dividendos de certificados de depósito, acciones o bonos, o ingresos provenientes de rentas de propiedad inmueble.

d. **Ingreso por pensión y retiro** - Ingreso mensual por concepto de beneficios de seguro social, anualidades, pólizas de seguros, retiro, pensiones, incapacidad o cualquier pago similar que reciba periódicamente la familia.

e. **Ingresos por incapacidad y/o desempleo** - Pago mensual de desempleo, incapacidad, seguro social por incapacidad, Fondo del Seguro del Estado.

f. **Asistencia Económica** - Ingreso mensual proveniente de agencias gubernamentales (TANF) excluyendo las cantidades designadas para albergue, utilidades, *WIC*, cupones de alimentos (asistencia nutricional o PAN) y cuido de niños.

g. **Pago por manutención, pensión "foster care"** - Ingresos por concepto de pensión de niños menores o pensión personal por concepto de divorcio y pagos por "foster care".

h. **Ingreso de las Fuerzas Armadas-** Ingresos por ser miembro de las fuerzas armadas de los Estados Unidos (Reserva, Guardia Nacional, ARMY, etc.).

Las entradas que se excluirán del cálculo de ingreso son las siguientes, según 24 CFR 5.609 (c):

a. **Ingresos de hijos menores** - Ingreso por el trabajo de los hijos menores de 18 años (incluyendo "foster kids").

b. **Ingresos por Cuidado Sustituto** - Ingresos recibidos por el cuidado de menores bajo el Programa de Cuidado Sustituto o por cuidado de adultos bajo el programa de "foster care" (usualmente incluye personas con discapacidad).

c. **Herencias y pagos de seguros** - Pagos globales por herencias, seguros, ganancias capitales, pagos por seguros médicos y de accidentes y compensación del trabajador, y arreglos económicos por pérdidas personales o patrimoniales.

d. **Reembolsos por gastos médicos** - Cantidades recibidas por la familia destinadas específicamente a reembolso o gastos médicos por cualquier miembro de la familia.

e. **Amas de llaves** - Ingreso por ser un ama de llaves viviendo en la unidad de vivienda donde provee servicio de apoyo.

f. **Becas a estudiantes** - La cantidad total de la asistencia económica a estudiantes pagada directamente al estudiante o a la institución educativa.

g. **Paga especial a miembros de las fuerzas armadas en servicio activo -** El ingreso recibido por un miembro de la familia que está sirviendo en las fuerzas armadas.

h. **Pagos de autosuficiencia** - Los ingresos recibidos por lo siguiente:

1) Ingreso recibido como resultado de programas de adiestramiento financiados por HUD
2) Ingreso recibido por una persona con impedimentos que recibe ayuda bajo algún programa
3) Ingreso recibido por un participante en otros programas de asistencia pública como reembolso por los gastos que haya incurrido en (equipo especial, ropa, transportación, cuido de niños) y que se otorgan solo para permitir la participación en un programa específico
4) Ingresos y beneficios que resulten de la participación de un miembro de la familia en programas de capacitación de empleo estatales o locales. Las cantidades excluidas por esta sección deben haberse recibido bajo programas de capacitación de empleo con metas y objetivos claramente definidos, y solo serán excluidas por el período durante el cual el miembro de la familia participe en el programa de capacitación de empleo.

i. **Regalos** - Dinero regalado, esporádico no recurrente y temporero.

j. **Ingresos de estudiantes a tiempo completo que son mayores de 18 años** - Ingreso de estudiantes a tiempo completo, y que son mayores de 18 años, que excedan los $480. Si es el jefe de familia o el cónyuge se incluyen en su totalidad.

k. **Ingresos por hijos adoptivos** - Ingreso recibido como pago de asistencia para adopción que excedan los $480 por cada niño adoptado.

l. **Pagos periódicos diferidos o ingreso de seguro social suplementario** - Beneficios de seguro social que se reciban en un pago de una suma global o en posibles pagos mensuales.

m. **Reembolsos por concepto de contribuciones sobre la propiedad** - Ingreso recibido por la familia como reembolso a la ley estatal de contribuciones sobre la propiedades.

n. **Ingresos pagados por una agencia estatal para reducir el costo de los servicios** - El equipo necesario para que un miembro de la familia con impedimentos pueda seguir viviendo en el hogar.

o. **Otras exclusiones federales** - Otros ingresos específicamente excluidos como ingreso para efectos de determinar elegibilidad o beneficios bajo una categoría DE PROGRAMAS DE ASISTENCIA POR ALGUNA OTRA LEY FEDERAL.

2. Seguridad y Protección 24 CFR 576.403 (B).

Las entidades que proveen servicios de vivienda permanente deben crear políticas y procedimientos que proporcionen un ambiente seguro para los participantes de los albergues y el personal. La entidad no puede usar los fondos de ESG para ayudar a un participante del programa a permanecer o mudarse a una vivienda que no cumpla con los estándares mínimos de habitabilidad y seguridad. Los estándares mínimos de seguridad y protección incluyen, pero no se limitan a:

a. **Estructura y materiales** - La construcción de la vivienda tiene que estar estructuralmente firme, tal que no represente una amenaza a la salud y a la seguridad de los ocupantes, protegiendo a los residentes de cualquier peligro o amenaza.

b. **Acceso** - La vivienda tiene que ser accesible y con capacidad para ser utilizada sin tener que acceder a la misma a través de otra unidad.

c. **Espacio y seguridad** - La vivienda debe proveer a cada residente espacio adecuado y seguridad tanto para ellos como para sus pertenencias.

d. **Calidad del aire** - Cada habitación o espacio debe contar con ventilación natural o mecánica. La vivienda ha de estar libre de contaminantes en el aire que amenacen la salud de los residentes.

e. **Suministro de agua** - El suministro de agua debe estar libre de contaminación.

f. **Instalaciones sanitarias** - La vivienda deber contar con acceso a facilidades sanitarias que funcionen de manera apropiada, puedan ser utilizados en privado y que sean adecuados para la higiene personal, y para disponer de manera adecuada de desperdicios humanos.

g. **Iluminación y electricidad** - La vivienda debe tener iluminación natural o artificial adecuada para permitir las actividades normales de interior, y apoyar la salud y la seguridad de los residentes. Debe tener la capacidad eléctrica suficiente para permitir el uso de enseres eléctricos sin causar peligros y riesgos de fuego.

h. **Preparación y disposición de alimentos** - Las áreas para preparar alimentos han de contener suficiente espacio y equipo para guardar, preparar y servir alimentos de manera sanitaria.

i. **Condiciones sanitarias** - La vivienda debe estar en condiciones que no representen una amenaza a la salud del participante.

j. **Seguridad contra Incendios** - La vivienda debe cumplir con las siguientes condiciones:

1) Tener una salida alterna en caso de incendio u otra emergencia.
2) Cada unidad deberá tener al menos un detector de humo (de batería o alambrado) en condiciones apropiadas para su funcionamiento, en cada nivel de la unidad ocupada. Los detectores han de estar colocados en los pasillos contiguos a las habitaciones. Si la unidad está ocupada por una persona con problemas de audición, los detectores han de tener un sistema de alarma diseñado para personas con impedimentos auditivos en cada cuarto ocupado por una persona con problemas de audición.

3. Habitabilidad de la Vivienda

El Programa ESG requiere que todas las unidades de vivienda estén en cumplimiento con los estándares de habitabilidad. Las entidades que reciben fondos ESG deberán inspeccionar las unidades y documentar la inspección. Ninguna entidad deberá comprometer o desembolsar fondos ESG para alquiler de vivienda hasta que la inspección esté realizada y la vivienda esté aprobada.

a. Inspección Visual de la Pintura Deteriorada para Determinar Riesgo de Plomo

Las entidades que reciben fondos de ESG son responsables de asegurarse que en las viviendas no haya materiales peligrosos que puedan afectar la salud o seguridad de los participantes/residentes (ej: pintura de plomo). Esto según los requerimientos identificados en 24 CFR 576.403 y 24 CFR 576.99(f), incluyendo la Política de Prevención de Envenenamiento por Pintura a Base de Plomo (42 USC 4821-4846) y la Política de Reducción de Riesgos Provocados por Pintura a Base de Plomo en Residencias (42 USC 4851-4856). Es requisito que se realice la inspección de pintura de plomo en todas las unidades bajo ayuda, incluyendo aquellas unidades en las que solo se pagan las utilidades. Las viviendas que sufren mayor riesgo de contaminación por pintura a base de plomo son principalmente aquéllas construidas antes del 1978. La inspección puede ser realizada por un empleado de la entidad o del municipio. Esta persona debe haber tomado y aprobado el curso de evaluación visual ofrecido por HUD. La certificación del empleado debe ser incluida como anejo al formulario de inspección en el expediente del participante. Para acceder al curso de evaluación visual puede ir a la siguiente dirección electrónica: http://www.hud.gov/offices/lead/training/visualassessment/h00101.htm.

b. Inspección Visual de Estándares de Habitabilidad

De igual manera, la estructura debe cumplir con estándares básicos de habitabilidad (ej: ventilación, iluminación y electricidad, espacio para preparación de alimentos, condiciones sanitarias, seguridad contra incendios, entre otras). La inspección de estándares de habitabilidad se debe llevar a cabo en aquellas unidades en las que el participante se muda por primera vez.

4. <u>Notificación de Reparaciones al Dueño de la Vivienda</u>

En caso de que la unidad de vivienda no cumpla con alguno de los estándares establecidos se deberá notificar al dueño de la unidad de las fallas para que este corrija las mismas. Será responsabilidad del dueño llevar a cabo las reparaciones en el tiempo requerido. Los siguientes aspectos serán considerados de emergencia y deben ser corregidos por el dueño o el residente (el que sea responsable) dentro de las 24 horas desde la notificación del Inspector:

a. Falta de seguridad en la unidad

b. Agua acumulada en el techo, con inminente peligro de derrumbe

c. Filtraciones o inundaciones causadas por tubería defectuosa

d. Problema de electricidad que pueda ocasionar choque eléctrico o fuego

e. Falta de servicio de agua o electricidad

f. Vidrios rotos que puedan ocasionar daños a personas

g. Obstáculo que evite la entrada o salida de la unidad

h. Falta de un inodoro en función

La entidad podrá conceder una extensión de un día adicional si la persona responsable no puede ser notificada o si es imposible hacer la reparación dentro del período de 24 horas.

5. Re-Evaluación de Elegibilidad

La siguiente tabla muestra los estándares mínimos para la re-evaluación de individuos y familias:

Tabla 10. Re-evaluación de Individuos y Familias

TIEMPO	• **Prevención** – los participantes deben ser re-evaluados al menos 1 vez cada 3 meses. • ***Rapid Re-Housing*** – los participantes deben ser re-evaluados por ingresos al menos 1 vez al año.

Tabla 10. Re-evaluación de Individuos y Familias	
ELEGIBILIDAD	• En el caso de **Prevención** debe tener un ingreso **igual o inferior a 30%** de la renta media del área geográfica donde vive, según determinado por HUD, en el momento de la reevaluación anual; y • Carecer de recursos y red de apoyo.

6. Medidas de Desempeño

Los estándares para las medidas de desempeño como parte del componente de **Prevención** son:

Tabla 11. Medidas de Desempeño - Prevención
• Número de personas que recibieron los servicios de prevención • Número de personas que salieron del programa • Número de personas que recibieron asistencia económica • Porciento de personas que recibieron servicios de relocalización de vivienda y servicios de estabilización durante el período de servicio • Porciento de personas que cumplieron con su plan de servicio • Porciento de personas que aumentaron sus ingresos de cualquier fuente • Porciento de personas que permanecieron en vivienda permanente

Los estándares para las medidas de desempeño como parte del componente de *Rapid Re-Housing* son:

Tabla 12. Medidas de Desempeño – *Rapid Re-Housing*
• Número de personas que recibieron los servicios de RRH • Número de personas que salieron del programa • Número de personas que recibieron asistencia económica • Porciento de personas que recibieron servicios de relocalización de vivienda y servicios de estabilización durante el período de servicio

Tabla 12. Medidas de Desempeño – *Rapid Re-Housing*
• Porciento de personas que cumplieron con su plan de servicio
• Porciento de personas que aumentaron sus ingresos
• Porciento de personas que se ubicaron en vivienda permanente

Las actividades elegibles para los componentes de **Prevención** y ***Rapid Re-Housing*** son las indicadas en la Tabla 13 a continuación:

Tabla 13. Actividades elegibles para Prevención y *Rapid Re-Housing*

SERVICIO ELEGIBLE: ASISTENCIA DE ALQUILER

Según establecido por HUD, se puede proporcionar a un participante hasta 24 meses de ayuda para el alquiler durante un período de 3 años, sujeto a las condiciones generales contenidas en el 24 CFR 576.103 y 24 CFR 576.104. Se podrá ofrecer asistencia de alquiler a corto-mediano plazo, pago de los atrasos de alquiler, o cualquier combinación de estas ayudas. Se requiere que las organizaciones y municipios certifiquen, y documenten la elegibilidad de los participantes **al menos, una vez cada tres meses**. La asistencia de alquiler puede ser *"tenant-based"* o *"project-based"*. Al momento, todos los casos atendidos de Prevención y Rapid *Re-Housing* son *tenant-based*.

La asistencia *"tenant based"* permite a los participantes del programa seleccionar una unidad de vivienda. El individuo o familia debe mudarse dentro del área geográfica a la que la entidad ofrece servicios. Si el participante decide mudarse a otro lugar que no está dentro de la jurisdicción geográfica en la que opera el CoC del cual forma parte la entidad, el participante deberá darse de baja del sistema HMIS. De esta manera se evitan los duplicados de servicios que arroja el sistema HMIS.

La asistencia de alquiler bajo *"project-based"* requiere que la entidad, municipio o una agencia contratada identifique unidades de vivienda permanente que cumplan con los requisitos de ESG. En esta modalidad, la entidad firma un contrato de asistencia de alquiler con el propietario para reservar la unidad y hacerla disponible para alquiler a participantes elegibles del programa.

Según dispuesto por HUD en 24 CFR 576.106, la asistencia de alquiler debe cumplir con los estándares del programa que incluyen:

Asistencia a corto plazo

- La ayuda **no puede exceder de tres meses** para cubrir el alquiler de la vivienda.
- Luego de 3 meses, si un participante necesita asistencia de alquiler para permanecer en la vivienda, este ha de ser evaluado para determinar su elegibilidad para recibir asistencia por 21 meses adicionales, bajo asistencia de alquiler a mediano plazo para un total de 24 meses.

Asistencia a mediano plazo

- La asistencia de alquiler a mediano plazo puede ser provista por un periodo de entre 4 y 24 meses.
- Ningún participante del programa puede recibir **más de 24 meses** de asistencia.
- Cada pago de renta se sustraerá del total de meses por los que se puede ofrecer la asistencia (24 meses).

Asistencia para pago de atrasos de alquiler

- La ayuda para pagar atrasos en renta **no puede exceder de 6 meses**. Se pagará el atraso de los últimos 6 meses según la factura. El pago por utilidades atrasadas se sustraerá del total de meses por los que se puede ofrecer la asistencia (24 meses).

Asistencia para cubrir gastos de moteles y hoteles

- Bajo el Programa ESG los fondos pueden ser utilizados para cubrir los gastos razonables de hoteles y moteles. El periodo máximo permitido por el programa es de 30 días, si no hay camas apropiadas de albergue disponibles y si se ha identificado vivienda de alquiler, pero la misma no está inmediatamente disponible. El pago máximo de hotel será de $200.00 por noche.

Restricciones para proveer la asistencia de alquiler

- La asistencia de alquiler es posible solo si la cantidad del alquiler no excede el monto de mercado justo establecido (*Fair Market Rent*) por HUD, como se dispone en 24 CFR 888, y conforme a la norma de razonabilidad de alquiler de HUD, según lo establecido en 24 CFR 982.507. **Es responsabilidad de la entidad buscar los estimados del *Fair Market Rent* anualmente.** Para conocer los estimados, las entidades también pueden usar la siguiente herramienta móvil: PD&R FMR/IL Lookup.

- En caso de que la vivienda tenga más de 5 habitaciones se utilizará la renta máxima de 4 cuartos añadiéndole un factor de aumento del 15% por cada habitación adicional. Las rentas se ajustarán anualmente según sean publicadas por HUD.
- Si el participante ocupa una vivienda de alquiler donde el pago mensual es mayor a los límites establecidos por HUD, deberá buscar otra vivienda que se considere asequible. No puede exceder los límites establecidos por la reglamentación federal para el municipio donde está ubicada la propiedad.
- Un participante no puede recibir pagos de asistencia de alquiler por parte de otro programa de vivienda local, estatal o federal para pagar alquiler durante el mismo periodo de tiempo que recibe ayuda del Programa ESG [24 CFR 576.106 (c)].

Contrato de alquiler: La asistencia de alquiler a corto y mediano plazo requiere un contrato de alquiler tanto entre la entidad y el propietario, así como uno entre el propietario y participante del programa. Las entidades están obligadas a hacer pagos de asistencia para alquiler solo a un propietario con quien la entidad ha entrado en un acuerdo de asistencia de alquiler. Un acuerdo de asistencia de alquiler es un documento separado al contrato de alquiler. El acuerdo de asistencia de alquiler debe establecer los términos bajo los que se proveerá la asistencia de alquiler, incluyendo los siguientes requisitos:

- En el primer pago se incluirá el primer y último mes de renta, además del depósito de fianza.
- Durante el término del acuerdo, el propietario debe notificar por escrito a la entidad sobre su intención de desahuciar al participante antes de iniciar cualquier trámite.
- Fecha de vencimiento de los pagos, el periodo de gracia y las penalidades, de haber alguna.

- Si la asistencia de alquiler es "*tenant-based*" o "*project-based*"

El contrato con el propietario se considerará terminado y los pagos para alquiler cesarán si:

- El participante de programa se muda de la unidad para la cual tiene un contrato;
- El contrato entre el participante y el dueño se termina, y no es renovado, o
- El participante del programa es inelegible para recibir la ayuda de alquiler ESG.

Pagos atrasados: Las entidades deben hacer los pagos a tiempo a cada propietario conforme al contrato de arrendamiento. La entidad es responsable de pagar las multas por pagos atrasados en que ha incurrido. Sin embargo, no podrá utilizar fondos de ESG para pagar.

La entidad debe hacer los pagos a tiempo a cada propietario conforme a lo estipulado en el contrato de arrendamiento. El pago debe emitirse en un periodo **no mayor de 30 días.** No se podrá utilizar fondos de ESG para pagar penalidades.

SERVICIO ELEGIBLE: ASISTENCIA FINANCIERA

Sujeto a las condiciones generales en 24 CFR 576.103 y 24 CFR 576.104, los fondos ESG pueden ser utilizados para pagar a propietarios de vivienda, compañías de servicios públicos, y terceros. La asistencia financiera debe cumplir con los estándares del programa que incluyen:

Tarifa de solicitud para alquiler: Los fondos ESG pueden pagar la tarifa de solicitud de viviendas de alquiler que cobra el propietario a todos los solicitantes.

Depósitos de seguridad: El pago por depósito de seguridad no excederá de dos (2) meses de alquiler de la vivienda (Un mes de depósito inicial y uno final). Cuando se emita un cheque para pagar el depósito del alquiler, el mismo se hará a nombre del arrendador.

Ultimo mes de alquiler: El pago no excederá de un (1) mes de alquiler y se incluirán en el cálculo de la asistencia total del alquiler del participante.

Depósito para pago de agua y energía eléctrica: Se puede pagar con fondos ESG la energía eléctrica (Autoridad de Energía Eléctrica) y el agua (Autoridad de Acueducto y Alcantarillado).

Pago por agua y energía eléctrica:

- Los pagos no deben exceder veinticuatro (24) meses por participante, incluyendo hasta seis (6) meses de pagos por agua o energía eléctrica atrasadas (se emitirá un solo pago para saldar la deuda).
- Los pagos a deudas atrasadas pueden incluir cargos adicionales debido al retraso, sin embargo no se podrá utilizar los fondos ESG para hacer pagos por penalidades.
- Un pago parcial cuenta como un (1) pago mensual.
- El pago solo se hará si la cuenta de la utilidad está a nombre del participante o un miembro de la misma familia.
- Los participantes no podrán recibir asistencia para el pago de agua o energía eléctrica por más de veinticuatro (24) meses en un periodo de tres (3) años.
- El pago por agua o energía eléctrica se hará conforme al Manual Operacional del Programa ESG.

Pago por mudanza: Los costos de asistencia para mudanza pueden ser gastos cubiertos con fondos ESG, tales como: alquiler de camiones, mudanza por una compañía, gastos de almacenaje o "storage" por un máximo de tres (3) meses o hasta que el participante del programa se encuentre en una vivienda, el que sea más corto. Todo pago por concepto de mudanzas se hará a nombre del proveedor.

La siguiente tabla muestra los gastos máximos de mudanza permitidos por el programa:

Subsidio máximo por mudanza, según el tamaño de la unidad de vivienda.

Número de cuartos	Subsidio Mensual
Estudio (*Efficiency*) 0 cuarto	$300
1 cuarto	$350
2 cuartos	$400
3 cuartos	$450
4 cuartos	$500

Los fondos de ESG pueden ser utilizados para pagar:

- Costos de mudanza, como el alquiler de camiones o la contratación de una compañía de mudanzas.
- Costos por espacio de "storage" o almacén temporero por hasta tres (3) meses, siempre que los costos se acumulen después de la fecha en que el participante del programa reciba la asistencia de servicios y antes de que el participante se traslade a una vivienda permanente.
- Los pagos de cuotas atrasadas de un almacén temporero o "storage" no son elegibles.

SERVICIOS ELEGIBLES: RELOCALIZACIÓN DE VIVIENDA Y DE ESTABILIZACIÓN

Los fondos de ESG pueden ser utilizados para brindar servicios dirigidos a obtener una vivienda de alquiler y lograr la estabilización de los participantes. Según dispuesto por HUD en 24 CFR 576.105 (b), las actividades de relocalización y estabilización deben cumplir con los estándares del programa, los cuales incluyen:

Búsqueda y ocupación de viviendas – El pago solo se hará para ayudar a los participantes a localizar, obtener y retener una vivienda permanente adecuada mediante la prestación de los siguientes servicios:

- Evaluación de barreras, necesidades y preferencias de vivienda
- Elaboración de un plan de acción para la localización de viviendas
- Búsqueda de vivienda
- Alcance y negociación con los propietarios
- Asistencia en la presentación de solicitudes de alquiler y en la comprensión de los contratos de arrendamientos
- Evaluación de la vivienda para el cumplimiento de los requisitos de ESG para la habitabilidad, la pintura a base de plomo y la razonabilidad del alquiler
- Asistencia en la obtención de servicios públicos y en la organización de mudanzas
- Asesoramiento a inquilinos

El pago de estos servicios no excederá de veinticuatro (24) meses durante un periodo de tres (3) años.

Unidades de Vivienda Inelegibles

El arrendamiento no puede ser aprobado si la unidad seleccionada es una de las siguientes:

- Unidad de vivienda con renta negativa
- Asilos de ancianos, pensiones y hogares que prestan cuidados a otras personas, y otras facilidades que prestan constantemente servicios siquiátricos, médicos o de enfermería
- Hospedajes de universidades
- Unidades dentro de instituciones penales, reformatorios, médicas, de salud mental, y similares ya sean públicas o privadas
- Unidades donde el dueño de la unidad sea familiar del participante
- Unidades que sean propiedad del municipio o del Estado Libre Asociado

La entidad no podrá aprobar el arrendamiento si el propietario de la unidad es el padre, madre, hijo, abuelo, nieto, hermana o hermano de un miembro de la familia que está siendo asistida, a menos que la aprobación del arrendamiento permita que se le dé la unidad necesaria a un miembro de la familia que tenga impedimentos.

Manejo de casos para la estabilidad en vivienda – El pago solo se hará para evaluar, organizar, coordinar y supervisar la prestación de servicios individualizados para facilitar la estabilidad en vivienda del participante que reside en vivienda permanente o para ayudar a un participante a superar obstáculos inmediatos a través de los siguientes servicios:

- Uso del sistema coordinado de entrada una vez estén desarrollados y adoptados por los CoC.
- Evaluación Inicial
- Consejería
- Desarrollar, asegurar y coordinar servicios y obtener beneficios federales, estatales y locales.
- Seguimiento y evaluación del progreso de los participantes del programa

- Proporcionar información y referidos a otros proveedores.
- Desarrollar un plan individualizado de vivienda y servicios, incluyendo la planificación de una ruta hacia la estabilidad permanente de la vivienda.
- Realizar las reevaluaciones requeridas bajo 24 CFR 576.401 (b).

Mediación – Los fondos de ESG pueden pagar gastos para la mediación entre el participante del programa y el propietario o personas que viven con el participante, siempre que la mediación sea necesaria para evitar que el participante pierda la vivienda permanente en la que reside al momento.

Servicios Legales – Los fondos podrán ser utilizados para proveer servicios legales a individuos y familias participantes del programa. Los servicios incluyen asesoría legal y/o representación en procedimientos administrativos o judiciales relacionados a conflictos entre el propietario y los inquilinos. No se podrá prestar asesoría legal a propietarios de vivienda relacionados con ejecución de la vivienda o con cualquier otro asunto hipotecario. El programa provee hasta $500.00 de costos de abogados.

Reparación del crédito – Los fondos de ESG pueden ser utilizados para pagar por asesoría sobre crédito y otros servicios necesarios para ayudar a los participantes del programa a tener habilidades críticas para manejar el presupuesto familiar, manejo de dinero, acceso a un informe de crédito personal gratuito y resolución de problemas de crédito personal. Esta asistencia no incluye el pago o modificación de una deuda.

D. HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (HMIS)

Es requisito federal que toda información de los participantes servidos por cualquiera de los componentes de Programa ESG sea entrada en un sistema de información conocido como el *Homeless Management Information System* (HMIS) desde el primer contacto [24 CFR 576.400 (F)]. El HMIS es un sistema computarizado para almacenar la información de las personas sin hogar servidas por los programas de HUD. Este sistema permite recopilar información de los participantes sin duplicar los beneficiarios, analizar patrones y evaluar la efectividad de los programas, cumplimentar los formularios establecidos y entrar la información al sistema. El DF proporcionará los recursos económicos para costear las licencias y aquellos gastos operacionales necesarios para cumplir con este requisito, siempre que los fondos sean autorizados por HUD.

Como estándar mínimo se requiere que todas las entidades de reciben fondos ESG deberán recopilar la información de los participantes, completar los formularios establecidos y entrar la información al sistema al menos 48 horas después de atender un caso. Solo cuando la entidad es un proveedor de servicios a víctimas de violencia de género o agresión sexual (según definido por la ley VAWA) se prohíbe la entrada de datos a nivel de cliente en un HMIS [24 CFR 576.107 (3)]. Como alternativa, se pueden utilizar los fondos de ESG o CoC para establecer una base de datos alterna que recoja datos comparables a nivel del participante a lo largo del tiempo y generar informes agregados no duplicados en base a los datos. La información entrada en una base de datos alterna no se debe ingresar directamente a un HMIS. La entidad es responsable de trabajar con el *"lead"* de HMIS para determinar si el sistema es una base de datos comparable. Esto significa que se debe documentar que el sistema alterno cumple con todos los requisitos de HUD.

Por otro lado, la entidad será responsable de corregir los datos que el administrador del HMIS identifique en sus informes como datos nulos o incompletos. La entidad tendrá **un máximo de 30 días** para corregir cualquier situación en sus datos del HMIS a partir de recibir la carta para la acción correctiva. El incumplimiento con la entrada y/o calidad de los datos podrá ser razón para detener, reducir o no asignar fondos del Programa ESG.

Una vez desarrollados y adoptados los sistemas coordinados de entrada, se debe establecer la coordinación entre los proveedores de ESG y los CES para evitar la duplicación de servicios y datos de los participantes. Si faltara algún dato, será responsabilidad de la entidad que recibe al participante completar el expediente en HMIS.

1. CONFIDENCIALIDAD Y DERECHOS DE PRIVACIDAD

Las agencias financiadas por ESG deben respetar todos los estándares de protección de la privacidad establecidos por las políticas de colaboración y procedimiento de HMIS, y las leyes y reglamentos federales y estatales pertinentes que protegen la confidencialidad de los registros de los participantes. Los expedientes confidenciales de los participantes solo se liberarán con el consentimiento del participante o del tutor del participante, a menos que se disponga otra cosa en las leyes y regulaciones.

Todos los expedientes escritos de solicitantes y participantes serán guardados bajo llave en un sitio que no sea accesible a empleados que estén autorizados a utilizar o revisar los mismos. Los expedientes nunca serán dejados sin atender o puestos en áreas comunes. Los manejadores de caso no discutirán información sobre el solicitante o su familia que esté incluida en un expediente, a menos que haya una razón oficial

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para hacerlo. Discusiones inapropiadas sobre información de la familia o revelación inapropiada de información sobre la familia por el personal puede resultar en una acción disciplinaria y en una violación a las leyes federales de privacidad.

2. EXPLICACIÓN VERBAL

Antes de la evaluación inicial de cada participante, se debe proporcionar una explicación verbal sobre cómo la información del participante se entrará en una base de datos electrónica que almacena la información de los participantes y una orientación sobre el consentimiento del participante a divulgar información. Los participantes también deben ser informados que pueden ser removidos de la base de datos en cualquier momento por escrito o completando un formulario de revocación del consentimiento para proporcionar y revelar información.

3. CONSENTIMIENTO POR ESCRITO

Luego de ofrecer una explicación verbal, cada participante que se comprometa a tener su información personal entrada en HMIS debe firmar un formulario de consentimiento. Los participantes que no firmen el consentimiento se entran al HMIS usando solo un número identificador.

Las actividades elegibles para HMIS son las mencionadas en la Tabla 14.

Tabla 14 Actividades Elegibles para HMIS
Las entidades pueden utilizar los fondos de ESG para pagar los siguientes costos elegibles como parte del componente de HMIS[10]: • Compra o alquiler de equipo de computadoras • Comprar software o licencias de *software*

[10] Al momento, el Departamento de la Familia solo paga por la licencia de HMIS. Cualquier gasto adicional debe ser aprobado mediante propuesta o autorización previa del Departamento de la Familia.

Tabla 14. Actividades Elegibles para HMIS
• Comprar o alquilar de equipo, incluyendo teléfonos, máquinas de fax y muebles para los equipos • Apoyo técnico • Alquiler de oficinas • Pagar los gastos de electricidad, gas, agua, servicio telefónico o Internet de alta velocidad necesarios para operar o aportar datos al HMIS. • El pago de salarios para la operación de HMIS, incluyendo: o Completar la entrada de datos o Monitorear y revisar la calidad de los datos o Completar análisis de datos o Reportar datos al "Lead" de HMIS o Capacitar al personal en el uso del HMIS o de una base de datos comparable o Implementar y cumplir con los requisitos de HMIS • Pagar los costos del personal para viajar y asistir a capacitaciones auspiciadas y aprobadas por HUD sobre HMIS. • Pagar los gastos de viaje del personal para llevar a cabo la entrada. • Pagar honorarios del "Lead" de HMIS, si la entidad no es "Lead" de HMIS.

E. **ADMINISTRATIVO** 24 CFR 576.108

El Programa ESG permite utilizar los fondos para cubrir gastos administrativos seleccionados. Según establece la reglamentación 24 CFR 576.100 (c), solo el 7.5% de los fondos delegados pueden ser utilizados para actividades administrativas por el Departamento de la Familia. El Departamento de la Familia, como recipiente de los fondos administrativos, puede compartirlos con sus sub-recipientes que figuran como gobiernos locales (municipios), así como con sub-recipientes que son organizaciones sin fines de lucro [24 CFR 576.108 (b)]. Esto incluye los gastos de personal y los gastos generales directamente relacionados con las actividades elegibles según los componentes de servicio establecidos en 24 CFR 576.101 a la 24 CFR 576.107. Los fondos de ESG solo pueden ser destinados para actividades que el Departamento de la Familia y HUD consideren elegibles, por lo que las entidades deben acogerse a las normativas (2 CFR 200). El modelo de distribución de fondos puede variar de un año a otro.

Los estándares mínimos relacionados con asuntos administrativos son:

1. Las entidades son responsables de la administración eficiente y efectiva de los fondos federales que reciben mediante la aplicación de buenas prácticas de administración.
2. Los fondos recibidos por las entidades solo serán utilizados para implementar el proyecto o proporcionar los servicios del proyecto en conformidad con el presupuesto y no serán utilizados para ningún otro propósito.
3. Las entidades subvencionadas por fondos ESG deben administrar los fondos recibidos de acuerdo con los principios de costos aplicables en 2 CFR 200 (e).
4. Las entidades deben asumir la responsabilidad de administrar los fondos federales de una manera consistente con los acuerdos, los objetivos del programa, los términos y

condiciones del fondo federal, y procurar la razonabilidad de los gastos operacionales y costos.

5. Según, 2 CFR 200.404, se considera un costo razonable si este, en su naturaleza y cantidad, no excede el costo que incurriría una persona prudente en las circunstancias que prevalecían al momento de tomar la decisión de incurrir en dicho costo.
6. Para determinar la razonabilidad de un costo, se debe tener en cuenta:
   a. Si el costo es de tipo generalmente reconocido como ordinario y necesario para el funcionamiento de la entidad o el desempeño adecuado y eficiente de los fondos.
   b. Las restricciones o requisitos impuestos por factores, tales como: las buenas prácticas comerciales; negociación de libre competencia; leyes y reglamentos federales, estatales, locales, tribales y de otro tipo; y los términos y condiciones del fondo.
   c. Precios de mercado de bienes o servicios comparables para la zona geográfica.
   d. Si las personas involucradas actuaron con prudencia en las circunstancias considerando sus responsabilidades con la entidad, sus empleados, el público en general y el gobierno federal.

VIII. ENMIENDA

Estos estándares pueden ser enmendados por disposición de la secretaria o su representante autorizado, cuando sea necesario. Toda modificación o enmienda propuesta tiene que cumplir con los requisitos de leyes y disposiciones reglamentarias vigentes que apliquen. Además, las enmiendas deben ser informadas a todas las entidades subrecipientes de los fondos ESG.

IX. APROBACIÓN Y VIGENCIA

Estos estándares entrarán en vigor a partir de la fecha de aprobación y firma por la Secretaria del Departamento de la Familia.

15/ mayo /2017
Fecha

Lcda. Glorimar de L. Andújar Matos
Secretaria

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

* 1. Type of Submission: ☐ Preapplication ☒ Application ☐ Changed/Corrected Application	* 2. Type of Application: ☒ New ☐ Continuation ☐ Revision	* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s): * Other (Specify):
* 3. Date Received:	4. Applicant Identifier:	
5a. Federal Entity Identifier:	5b. Federal Award Identifier:	

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State: 7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name: PR State Department of Housing

* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 66-0558579

* c. UEI: [illegible]

d. Address:

* Street1:	PO Box 21365
Street2:	
* City:	San Juan
County/Parish:	
* State:	PR: Puerto Rico
Province:	
* Country:	USA: UNITED STATES
* Zip / Postal Code:	00928-1365

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name: Division Name:

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix:	Mrs.	* First Name:	Aida
Middle Name:			
* Last Name:	Gracia-Rivera		
Suffix:			

Title: Special Aide To the Secretary

Organizational Affiliation: PR State Department of Housing

* Telephone Number: 787-274-2527 Fax Number: 787-750-5263

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*** 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:**

A: State Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

*** Other (specify):**

*** 10. Name of Federal Agency:**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.228

CFDA Title:

CDBG Program

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

*** Title:**

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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*** 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

Block grant assistance to benefit low and moderate income families and individuals to obtain decent housing, a suitable living environment and expanded economic opportunities.

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant: PR

* b. Program/Project: PR

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date: 07/01/2024

* b. End Date: 06/30/2025

18. Estimated Funding ($):

* a. Federal	22,131,554.00
* b. Applicant	
* c. State	
* d. Local	
* e. Other	
* f. Program Income	
* g. TOTAL	22,131,554.00

*** 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**

☐ a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on

☐ b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.

☒ c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

*** 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**

☐ Yes ☒ No

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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001)**

☒ ** I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix: Mr.

* First Name: William

Middle Name: Omar

* Last Name: Rodriguez-Rodriguez

Suffix:

* Title: PR State Department of Housing Secretary

* Telephone Number: 787-274-2527

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* Signature of Authorized Representative: [signature]

* Date Signed: 5|15|24

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As the duly authorized representative of the applicant:, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.

2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.

3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.

4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.

5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.

6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.

7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.

8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).

9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.

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SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE
	PR State Department of Housing Secretary
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	DATE SUBMITTED
PR State Department of Housing	May 15, 2024

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PO Box 41119, Minillas Station
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	Notice of intent or pre-application	X	Application
	State Plan		Block Grant
	Other		

Title of Project: Consolidated Plan 2024
CFDA Number: 14.228 Community Development Block Grants
Applicant: Puerto Rico Housing Department

The State Application Identifier (SAI) number assigned is:
PR(G)24-98-0603-308-S

The SAI number must be incorporated in Item 7 of Standard Form (SF-424) in the application submitted to the Federal Agency, and in any subsequent document that relates to this proposal.

Applicant is reminded to inform SPOC of approval or denial of federal assistance 5 days after formal notification.

Date: June 3, 2024

By: Darilyn M. Amador(signed)
Office of Federal Affairs

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OMB Number: 4040-0004
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  - [x] Application
  - [ ] Changed/Corrected Application

* 2. Type of Application:
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  - [ ] Continuation
  - [ ] Revision

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* Other (Specify):

* 3. Date Received:

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name: PR State Department of Health

* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 66-0433470

* c. UEI: [illegible]

d. Address:

* Street1:	PO Box 70184
Street2:	
* City:	San Juan
County/Parish:	
* State:	PR: Puerto Rico
Province:	
* Country:	USA: UNITED STATES
* Zip / Postal Code:	00936-8184

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name: PR State Department of Health

Division Name: DOPVA

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix:	Dr.
* First Name:	Ramón
Middle Name:	A.
* Last Name:	Reyes-Cotto
Suffix:	Ph.D

Title: Program Director / PI

Organizational Affiliation: PR State Department of Health

* Telephone Number: 787-765-2929 ext 3623

Fax Number:

* Email: ramon.reyes@salud.pr.gov

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* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:

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* Other (specify):

* 10. Name of Federal Agency:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.241

CFDA Title:

* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:

* Title:

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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Assistance to non-profit, faith based organizations, and municipalities which provide housing and supportive services to low income families and individuals living with HIV/AIDS.

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant: PR	* b. Program/Project: PR

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date: 07/01/2024	* b. End Date: 06/30/2025

18. Estimated Funding ($):

* a. Federal	2,587,917.00
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* c. State	
* d. Local	
* e. Other	
* f. Program Income	
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☒ ** I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix:	Dr.	* First Name:	Carlos
Middle Name:	R.		
* Last Name:	Mellado-López		
Suffix:	M.D.		

* Title: PR State Department of Health Secretary

* Telephone Number: 787-765-2929 | Fax Number: 787-294-3307

* Email: drcarlos.mellado@salud.pr.gov

* Signature of Authorized Representative: | * Date Signed: May 17, 2024

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As the duly authorized representative of the applicant:, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
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SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE
	PR State Department of Health Secretary
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	DATE SUBMITTED
PR State Department of Health	May 17, 2024

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	Notice of intent or pre-application	X	Application
	State Plan		Block Grant
	Other		

Title of Project: HOPWA Program

CFDA Number: 14.241 Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS

Applicant: PR Department of Health

The State Application Identifier (SAI) number assigned is:

PR(G)24-98-0603-310-S

The SAI number must be incorporated in Item 7 of Standard Form (SF-424) in the application submitted to the Federal Agency, and in any subsequent document that relates to this proposal.

Applicant is reminded to inform SPOC of approval or denial of federal assistance 5 days after formal notification.

Date: June 3, 2024

By: Darilyn M. Amador(signed)
Office of Federal Affairs

Autorizado por la Oficina del Contralor Electoral OCE-SA-2024-03033

Centro Gubernamental Roberto Sánchez Vilella, Ave. De Diego Pda. 22, Santurce · P.O. Box 41119, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00940-1119
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* 3. Date Received:
4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:
5b. Federal Award Identifier:

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6. Date Received by State:
7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name: PR Department of the Family

* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 66-0707858
* c. UEI: Z4K6BCUFEBJ8

d. Address:

* Street1:	PR Box 11398
Street2:	
* City:	San Juan
County/Parish:	
* State:	PR: Puerto Rico
Province:	
* Country:	USA: UNITED STATES
* Zip / Postal Code:	00910-11398

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name: PR Department of the Family
Division Name: ESG program

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix:	Mrs.	* First Name:	Argie
Middle Name:			
* Last Name:	Diaz-Gonzalez		
Suffix:			

Title: ESG Program Executive Director

Organizational Affiliation: PR Department of the Family

* Telephone Number: 787-294-4900
Fax Number: 787-294-0732

* Email: argie.diaz@familia.pr.gov

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:

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* Other (specify):

* 10. Name of Federal Agency:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

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CFDA Title:

ESG Program

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Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:

Funding for street outreach, emergency shelter, homelessness prevention, rapid re-housing assistance and HMIS.

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17. Proposed Project:

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* b. End Date: 06/30/2025

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* c. State	
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☒ ** I AGREE

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Authorized Representative:

Prefix:

* First Name: Cieni

Middle Name:

* Last Name: Rodriguez-Troche

Suffix:

* Title: PR Department of the Family Secretary

* Telephone Number: 787-294-4900

Fax Number: 787-294-0732

* Email: segie.diaz@familia.pr.gov

* Signature of Authorized Representative:

* Date Signed: 17/mayo/2024

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SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE
	PR Department of the Family Secretary
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	**DATE SUBMITTED**
PR Department of the Family	17/May/2024

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT

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	Notice of intent or pre-application	X	Application
	State Plan		Block Grant
	Other		

Title of Project:	ESG Program
CFDA Number:	14.231 Emergency Solution Grant Program
Applicant:	Puerto Rico Housing Department

The State Application Identifier (SAI) number assigned is:

PR(G)24-98-0603-309-S

The SAI number must be incorporated in Item 7 of Standard Form (SF-424) in the application submitted to the Federal Agency, and in any subsequent document that relates to this proposal.

Applicant is reminded to inform SPOC of approval or denial of federal assistance 5 days after formal notification.

Date: June 3, 2024

By: Darilyn M. Amador(signed)
Office of Federal Affairs

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

* 1. Type of Submission: ☐ Preapplication ☒ Application ☐ Changed/Corrected Application	* 2. Type of Application: ☒ New ☐ Continuation ☐ Revision	* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s): * Other (Specify):

* 3. Date Received:	4. Applicant Identifier:
5a. Federal Entity Identifier:	5b. Federal Award Identifier:

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:	7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name:	PR Housing Finance Authority
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):	66-0433752
* c. UEI:	GLNXX1Y5V3A3

d. Address:

* Street1:	PO Box 71361
Street2:	
* City:	San Juan
County/Parish:	
* State:	PR: Puerto Rico
Province:	
* Country:	USA: UNITED STATES
* Zip / Postal Code:	00936-8461

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:	Division Name:
PR Housing Finance Authority	HOME Program

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix:	Mr.	* First Name:	Javier
Middle Name:	E.		
* Last Name:	Tregolo		
Suffix:			

Title:	Director - HOME & HTF Program
Organizational Affiliation:	Puerto Rico Housing Finance Authority
* Telephone Number:	787-946-0045
Fax Number:	
* Email:	javier.e.tregolo@afv.pr.gov

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* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:

A: State Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

* 10. Name of Federal Agency:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.239

CFDA Title:

* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:

* Title:

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:

Expand the affordable housing offer for low and very low income families by providing subsidies to local governments, non-profit organizations, developers, and other eligible entities.

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant	PR	* b. Program/Project	PR

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date:	07/01/2024	* b. End Date:	06/30/2025

18. Estimated Funding ($):

* a. Federal	13,212,534.00
* b. Applicant	
* c. State	
* d. Local	
* e. Other	
* f. Program Income	
* g. TOTAL	13,212,534.00

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☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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☒ ** I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix:	Mrs.	* First Name:	Blanca
Middle Name:	P.		
* Last Name:	Fernández-González		
Suffix:			

* Title:	PR Housing Finance Authority Exec. Director

* Telephone Number:	787-946-0045	Fax Number:	

* Email:	blanca.fernandez@afv.pr.gov

* Signature of Authorized Representative:		* Date Signed:	05/23/2024

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As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
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SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE
	PR Housing Finance Authority Exec. Director
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	DATE SUBMITTED
PR Housing Finance Authority	05/23/2024

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- ☐ State Plan
- ☐ Block Grant
- ☐ Other

Title of Project: HOME

CFDA Number: 14.239

Applicant: PR Housing Finance Authority

The State Application Identifier (SAI) number assigned is:

PR (G) 24-98-0604-312-S

The SAI number must be incorporated in Item 7 of Standard Form (SF-424) in the application submitted to the Federal Agency, and in any subsequent document that relates to this proposal.

Applicant is reminded to inform SPOC of approval or denial of federal assistance 5 days after formal notification.

Date: 6/4/2024 By: Darilyn M. Amador(signed)
Office of Federal Affairs

OMB Number: 4040-0004
Expiration Date: 11/30/2025

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

* 1. Type of Submission:	* 2. Type of Application:	* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):
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☒ Application	☐ Continuation	* Other (Specify):
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* 3. Date Received:	4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:	5b. Federal Award Identifier:

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:	7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name: PR Housing Finance Authority

* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):	* c. UEI:
66-0433752	[illegible]

d. Address:

* Street1:	PO Box 71361
Street2:	
* City:	San Juan
County/Parish:	
* State:	PR: Puerto Rico
Province:	
* Country:	USA: UNITED STATES
* Zip / Postal Code:	00936-8461

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:	Division Name:
PR Housing Finance Authority	HTF Program

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix:	Mr.	* First Name:	Javier
Middle Name:	E.		
* Last Name:	Tregolo		
Suffix:			

Title: Director - HTF Program Director

Organizational Affiliation:
Puerto Rico Housing Finance Authority

* Telephone Number:	787-946-0045	Fax Number:	

* Email: javier.e.tregolo@afv.pr.gov

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

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* Other (specify):

* 10. Name of Federal Agency:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.275

CFDA Title:

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* Title:

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Increase and preserve affordable, safe and hygienic housing for families with extremely low income and very low income.

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date: 07/01/2024   * b. End Date: 06/30/2025

18. Estimated Funding ($):

* a. Federal	712,713.00
* b. Applicant	
* c. State	
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Authorized Representative:

Prefix: Mrs.   * First Name: Blanca

Middle Name: P.

* Last Name: Fernández-González

Suffix:

* Title: PR Housing Finance Authority Exec. Director

* Telephone Number: 787-946-0045   Fax Number:

* Email: blanca.fernandez@afv.pr.gov

* Signature of Authorized Representative: * Date Signed: 05/23/2024

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14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is $10,000 or more.

15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).

16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.

17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq).

18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."

19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.

20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE
	PR Housing Finance Authority Exec. Director
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	**DATE SUBMITTED**
PR Housing Finance Authority	05/23/2024

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT

The Puerto Rico Planning Board, designated as the Single Point of Contact (SPOC) by Executive Order 12372 and Administrative Bulletin 4184 as amended, has received for review and comments the following:

☐ Notice of intent or pre-application ☒ Application

☐ State Plan ☐ Block Grant

☐ Other

Title of Project: HTF

CFDA Number: 14.275

Applicant: Puerto Rico Housing Finance Authority

The State Application Identifier (SAI) number assigned is:

PR (G) 24-98-0604-313-S

The SAI number must be incorporated in Item 7 of Standard Form (SF-424) in the application submitted to the Federal Agency, and in any subsequent document that relates to this proposal.

Applicant is reminded to inform SPOC of approval or denial of federal assistance 5 days after formal notification.

Date: 06/04/2024 By: Darilyn M. Amador(signed)
Office of Federal Affairs

STATE CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the State certifies that:

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing -- The State will affirmatively further fair housing.

Uniform Relocation Act and Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42 in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOME programs.

Anti-Lobbying --To the best of the State's knowledge and belief:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;

2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and

3. It will require that the language of paragraphs 1 and 2 of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of State -- The submission of the consolidated plan is authorized under State law and the State possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs under the consolidated plan for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

Consistency with plan -- The housing activities to be undertaken with Community Development Block Grant, HOME, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS funds are consistent with the strategic plan in the State's consolidated plan.

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 75.

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Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The State certifies that:

Citizen Participation -- It is following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR §91.115 and each unit of general local government that receives assistance from the State is following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR §570.486.

Consultation with Local Governments --

1. It has consulted with affected units of local government in the nonentitlement area of the State in determining the method of distribution of funding;

2. It engages in or will engage in planning for community development activities;

3. It provides or will provide technical assistance to units of local government in connection with community development programs; and

4. It will not refuse to distribute funds to any unit of general local government on the basis of the particular eligible activity selected by the unit of general local government to meet its community development needs, except that a State is not prevented from establishing priorities in distributing funding on the basis of the activities selected.

Local Needs Identification -- It will require each unit of general local government to be funded to identify its community development and housing needs, including the needs of low-income and moderate-income families, and the activities to be undertaken to meet those needs.

Community Development Plan -- Its consolidated plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

Use of Funds -- It has complied with the following criteria:

1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low and moderate income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available.

2. Overall Benefit. In the aggregate, not less than 70 percent of the CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, received by the State during the following fiscal year(s) 2024, 2025 and 2026 [a period designated by the State of one, two, or three specific consecutive fiscal year(s)] will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income.

Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Certifications

The State HOPWA grantee certifies that:

Activities -- Activities funded under the program will meet urgent needs that are not being met by available public and private sources.

Building -- Any building or structure assisted under the program shall be operated for the purpose specified in the consolidated plan:

1. For a period of not less than 10 years, in the case of any building or structure purchased, leased, rehabilitated, renovated, or converted with HOPWA assistance,

2. For a period of not less than 3 years, in the case of assistance involving non-substantial rehabilitation or repair of a building or structure.

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Homeless Persons Involvement – To the maximum extent practicable, the subrecipient will involve, through employment, volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under ESG, in providing services assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted ESG.

Consolidated Plan – All activities the subrecipient undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with the State's current HUD-approved consolidated plan.

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Specific HOME Certifications

The State certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance -- If it plans to use HOME funds for tenant-based rental assistance, tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of the State's consolidated plan.

Eligible Activities and Costs -- It is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR §92.205 through §92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in §92.214.

Subsidy Layering -- Before committing any funds to a project, the State or its recipients will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing.

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3. Special Assessments. It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG Funds, including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds, by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

In addition, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

Excessive Force -- It will require units of general local government that receive CDBG funds to certify that they have adopted and are enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and

2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

Compliance with Anti-discrimination laws -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.

Compliance with Laws -- It will comply with applicable laws.

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Emergency Solutions Grant Certifications

Each State that seeks funding under the Emergency Solutions Grants Program must provide the following certifications:

Matching Funds – The State will obtain any matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201 in a manner so that its subrecipients that are least capable of providing matching amounts receive the benefit of the exception under 24 CFR 576.201(a)(2).

Discharge Policy – The State will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate, policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for these persons.

Confidentiality – The State will develop and implement procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project, except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter.

The State will ensure that its subrecipients comply with the following criteria:

Major rehabilitation/conversion/renovation – If an emergency shelter's rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the building will be maintained as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation. If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the building will be maintained as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion. In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the building will be maintained as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

Essential Services and Operating Costs – If ESG funds are used for shelter operations or essential services related to street outreach or emergency shelter, the subrecipient will provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families for the period during which the ESG assistance is provided, without regard to a particular site or structure, so long the applicant serves the same type of persons (e.g., families with children, unaccompanied youth, veterans, disabled individuals, or victims of domestic violence) or persons in the same geographic area.

Renovation – Any renovation carried out with ESG assistance shall be sufficient to ensure that the building involved is safe and sanitary.

Supportive Services – The subrecipient will assist homeless individuals in obtaining permanent housing, appropriate supportive services (including medical and mental health treatment, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living), and other Federal State, local, and private assistance available for such individuals.

APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

Lobbying Certification
This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than $10,000 and not more than $100,000 for each such failure.