City of Shreveport
Department of Community Development

December 23, 2020

Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)

For

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

AGENCY: Department of Community Development

ACTION: Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)

SUMMARY: This NOFA announces the opening of competition for the FY 2021 proposed U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds administered by the City of Shreveport. Only organizations, with a 501 (C) (3) status, and a minimum of one year experience providing one of the eligible activities, are eligible to apply. Only applicants who are members of the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) will be considered. Funding available under the Emergency Solutions Grants Program can be utilized for the following activities: street outreach, emergency shelter, homelessness prevention, rapid re-housing assistance and home management information system (HMIS).

To qualify for funding participation, projects/organizations are required to be a participant in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). Participants must provide matching funds (including in-kind contributions) equal to the amount allowed. Funding available for this NOFA is $151,420.65 $90,852.39 (emergency shelter and street outreach activities) and $60,568.26 (homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing activities).

You may access this NOFA beginning Friday, January 8, 2021, by going to www.shreveportla.gov and clicking on Department of Community Development. The grant period for funding is January 01, 2021 to December 31, 2021.

DATES: One original completed application plus three (3) copies must be received by 5:00 p.m., Friday, January 29, 2021 to the attention of Ms. Bonnie Moore, Director, City of Shreveport, Department of Community Development, 401 Texas Street, First Floor, or mailed to Post Office Box 31109, Shreveport, LA 71130.
APPLICATIONS MAY NOT BE SENT BY FACSIMILE (FAX) or BY ELECTRONIC MAIL (E-MAIL). There will be absolutely no exceptions.

**FORMAT:** All applications must be completed using the forms supplied with this NOFA. Any application not following the prescribed format will not be considered for funding. The City of Shreveport reserves the right to request additional information pursuant to this application.

**DISCLAIMER:** All proposals submitted become the property of the City of Shreveport. Submission of a proposal does not commit the City of Shreveport to award a contract or to pay for any costs incurred in the preparation of a proposal. The City has the right to extend the submission deadline should such extension be in the interest of the city. Proposers have the right to revise their proposals in the event the deadline is extended.

**INFORMATIONAL WORKSHOP:** An informational workshop will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 21, 2021 at the Department of Community Development, 401 Texas Street, Shreveport, Louisiana. Interested organizations are strongly encouraged to join the proposers' conference. You may contact Ms. Cathy Mitchell, Planner III, at (318) 673-7556 for information.
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I. APPLICATION COVER SHEET
City of Shreveport - Department of Community Development

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Date: _______________________________ Tax I.D. Number: _______________________________

*DUNS Number: ______________________

Submitted by: ___________________________ Title: _______________________________

Contact Person: _________________________ Title: _______________________________

Legal Name of Agency: ______________________________________________________

Address: ___________________________________________________________________

Telephone Number: ___________________ Fax Number: ___________________

Email Address: _______________________________________________________________

PROJECT SUMMARY

Type of funds requested: ESG: ☐

Name of Project _____________________________________________________________

Amount Requested ____________ Amount of Matching Funds ________________

Population Served ☐ Homeless

Type of Activity: _____________________________________________________________

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

____________________________________________________________________________

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I CERTIFY THAT ALL OF THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

______________________________________________________  _____________________
SIGNATURE OF THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE  DATE

*DUN AND BRADSTREET DATA: All applicants must obtain a Dun and Bradstreet Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) and include it on this application. Failure to provide a DUNS number will prevent you from obtaining an award. Applicants may obtain a DUNS number by calling the toll-free request line at 1-866-705-5711 between 8:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.
II. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Emergency Solutions Grant program changes are a result of the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009 (HEARTH Act). The HEARTH Act, enacted into law on May 20, 2009, consolidates three of the separate homeless assistance programs administered by HUD under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act into a single grant program, and revised the Emergency Shelter Grants program and renames it as the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) program, 24 CFR Parts 91 and 576. The change in the program’s name reflects the change in the program’s focus addressing the needs of homeless people in emergency or transitional shelters to assisting people to quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis or homelessness.

III. MAKING THE CONNECTION

A. TARGET POPULATION:

Applicants applying for funding under this NOFA should target services and activities for the homeless.

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<td>(2.) An individual or family who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence;</td>
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<td>(3.) Unaccompanied youth under 25 years of age, or families with children and youth who do not otherwise qualify as homeless; and</td>
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<td>(4) Any individual or family who is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that has taken place in the in the individual's or family primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return to their primary residence.</td>
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B. TARGET AREAS:

The City will only consider funding projects which are consistent with the Consolidated Strategy Plan. City-wide homeless services and activities are eligible.

C. ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES:

The focus of the homeless services funded through the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) should be to assist people to quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness. The City of Shreveport, through this NOFA, will fund the following components for program year 2021:

1. **Street Outreach** – funds may be used for costs of providing essential services necessary to reach out to unsheltered homeless people; connect them with emergency shelter, housing, or critical services; and provide urgent, non-facility-based care to unsheltered homeless people who are unwilling or unable to access emergency shelter, housing, or an appropriate health facility.
(2) Emergency Shelter – funds may be used for costs of providing essential services to homeless families and to individuals in emergency shelters, renovating buildings to be used as emergency shelter for homeless families and individuals, and operating emergency shelters.

(3) Homelessness Prevention – funds may be used to provide housing relocation and stabilization services and short and/or medium-term rental assistance necessary to prevent an individual or family from moving into an emergency shelter or another place.

(4) Rapid Re-housing Assistance – funds may be used to provide housing relocation and stabilization services and short and/or medium term rental assistance as necessary to help a homeless individual or family move as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing.

(5) Relocation and Stabilization Services – funds may be used to pay financial assistance to housing owners, utility companies and other third parties.

D. PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT OBJECTIVES:

(1) The number of persons or households prevented from becoming homeless;

(2) The number of persons or households assisted from emergency shelter/streets into permanent housing;

(3) The number of unsheltered persons or households provided with essential services;

(4) The number of persons or households provided housing relocation and stabilization services; or

(5) The number of persons or households covered by the HMIS

IV. HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM

Congress has directed HUD to improve the collection of data on the extent of homelessness locally and nationally. Communities must collect an array of data including an unduplicated count of homeless persons, analyze their patterns of the McKinney-Vento and other assistance, including information on how they enter and exit the homelessness assistance system and assess the effectiveness of that assistance. Through the Federal Register Notice, the Emergency Solutions Grants Program and Community Development Block Grants were made a part of this mandate. Therefore, all proposed projects/organizations must provide written certification of their participation in an existing HMIS. You can contact your local Continuum of Care at (318) 670-4591.
V. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must provide proof of insurance available upon notification of funding. Coverage must be in full force and effect at all times. Such insurance at a minimum must include the following coverage and limits of liability:

A. Commercial General Liability
   Annual Aggregate $2,000,000
B. Per Occurrence $1,000,000
C. Commercial Auto Liability Insurance $300,000
D. Worker’s Compensation Insurance $1,000,000
E. Fidelity Bonding (25% of Contract Amount)

Subrogation Clause, the Subrecipient and all of its insurers shall, waive all right of recovery or subrogation against the City, its officers, agents or employees and its insurance companies. The policy must be endorsed to name the City as an additional insured (Additional Insured Clause).

NOTE: These insurance limits are subject to change.

VI. APPLICATION OUTLINE

Your application must be formatted as outlined below. Proposals that are not submitted in the following format will not be reviewed. This section shall not exceed six double spaced pages in a 12 pitch font. The application outline must address all of the following items listed below.

Project Summary: (10pts)

This summary should identify the applicant and briefly describe your purpose, mission and goals; indicate the reason for the grant request and the need to be addressed; provide a brief summary of the program activities, and how they will be accomplished; identify the population and area to be served; and clearly and concisely summarize your request for funding, including total cost of the project, funds already committed and the amount requested under this proposal.

Applicant Capacity: (15pts)

Describe the agency’s qualifications, and the extent to which you organizational resources necessary to successfully implement the activities in a timely and efficient manner. Indicate the staff who possesses knowledge and experience in your proposed program. Show relevant experience in managing grants and similar program.

Problem Statement: (15pts)

Specifically define the problem and clearly document the needs to be met or problems to be solved by the proposed project. You must determine the extent of the problem in the geographic area that you will target with your program. The need should be related to the purpose of your proposed activities and documented, using sound and reliable data (statistics, survey findings, expert advice, studies, student data,
and test results). You are encouraged to link the documentation of need to data identified in the city’s Consolidated Plan. To obtain a copy of the Consolidated Plan, go to www.shreveportla.gov

**Program Narrative/Budget: (30pts)**

Outline the specific activities to be performed, methodology and benefits to be achieved. Describe the targeted population and the demographics of that population. Establish a clear time line for implementation. Identify measurable objectives stated in relation to the problem and the expected outcomes. Identify any collaborative partners associated with this project, and how this project will benefit the community. Special consideration will be given to those agencies creating partnerships that are appropriately designed for implementing the proposed activities. The budget must be completed listing by line item the projected expenditures for the funds requested. In addition, list the amounts, types and source of match.

**Leveraging Resources: (15pts)**

The applicant must demonstrate and document the ability to secure resources beyond those provided under this grant award, including private, other public, and mainstream resources. Leveraging resources may include cash, cash equivalent (i.e., other federal, state and local grant awards) and in-kind contributions, such as services, donations or equipment. Please be sure to include supporting documentation of your resources.

**Program Evaluation (15pts)**

(1) Present a plan for determining the degree to which objectives are met. You must identify one or more of the performance measures your program will meet (refer to pages 6-7). Your application should also identify specific output and outcomes or impacts that your program or activities will have on the community.

(2) Describe how you will make your services available/accessible, affordable, or sustainable to the target population you propose to serve.

(3) Describe the specific tools to track output and outcome and the methodology you will use to measure your success in meeting your stated goals.

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**VII. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

One original application plus three (3) copies must be received by 5:00 p.m., Friday, January 22, 2021 to the Attention: Ms. Bonnie Moore, Director, at the City of Shreveport, Department of Community Development, 401 Texas Street, First Floor, or mailed to Post Office Box 31109, Shreveport, LA 71130. APPLICATIONS MAY NOT BE SENT BY FACSIMILE (FAX) or BY ELECTRONIC MAIL (E-MAIL).
VIII. APPLICANT SELECTION PROCESS

APPLICATION REVIEW

Only one application will be accepted per eligible activity. Applications will not be accepted unless they meet the following requirements:

- **Applicant eligibility.** The applicant must be a non-profit organization (IRS 501(c) (3) status), and must have at least one year of experience in providing the requested service prior to submission of application.
- **Eligible population/target area to be served.** The population to be served must meet the eligibility requirements as identified on (see page 5)
- **Eligible activities.** The activities for which assistance is requested must be consistent with those prescribed in Section III. (see pages 5,6)
- Provide an executive summary of the agency’s accomplishments for the previous twelve months.
- **Match Requirements.** The applicant must furnish a 100% match, with a minimum of 50% being a cash match.

B. **CORE SELECTION CRITERIA:***

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C. **ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA**

Currently funded agencies or those who have received prior funding from the Department of Community Development (DCD) will also be evaluated on past performance in carrying out programmatic activities and contractual compliance. Factors such as agency ability to meet service delivery goals, timely expenditure of funds, timely reporting, accuracy of reporting, ability to meet audit requirements, and other programmatic and fiscal contractual requirements will be considered. These other factors will be considered in conjunction with the proposal score in developing an overall recommendation for agency funding.

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For additional information, please contact Cathy Mitchell at (318) 673-7556.

Applicants who physically deliver the proposal must have their proposal logged in. Under no circumstances should any applicant leave a proposal at the office without completing the required log-in procedure. Applicants who mail proposals should do so by certified mail, return receipt requested, or through overnight mail services, allowing enough time for the proposal to be received by the deadline date and time.

**ONLY ONE APPLICATION WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

Proposals must be complete at the time of submission. No addendum will be accepted after the deadline date for submission of proposals.

**Incomplete proposals will not be reviewed.**
D. ESG PROGRAM BUDGET FORM

Fiscal Year 2021

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Please provide a detailed explanation of each line item.

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IX. ATTACHMENTS

Information of Vendor’s Application and Commodity Codes

Vendor’s Application

Authorizing Resolution (2020 or 2021)

Certificate of Insurance

W-9 Form

Affidavit
INSTRUCTIONS FOR OBTAINING
A VENDOR’S APPLICATION
AND COMMODITY CODES
FOR THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT

WEB SITE ADDRESS: WWW.CI.SHREVEPORT.LA.US

TO OBTAIN THE REQUIRED FIVE-DIGIT COMMODITY CODES FOR YOUR APPLICATION

Go to SECTION 900.

Select the letter of the alphabet that pertains to your product or service your company provides.

For example: For “CONSTRUCTION,” you will need to click on the letter “P” for PUBLIC WORKS, CONSTRUCTION, AND RELATED SERVICES. For “TOOLS,” you will click on the letter “H” for “HANDTOOLS,” or the letter “A” for “AUTO SHOP EQUIPMENT” if you sell “AIR POWERED SHOP TOOLS.” For “GASOLINE,” you will need to click on the letter “F” for “FUEL.” The items that you are looking for may be listed with different names.

When you select a letter of the alphabet, you will be given a list of the 3-digit codes. Click on the 3-digit code to obtain the required 5-digit code. It is imperative that we have the 5-digit code in order for your application to be processed. Please remember that the main reason for using five-digit commodity codes is to identify vendors that carry the items that are needed by the City.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please call the Purchasing Office at 318-673-5450.

Revised 6-12-03
VENDOR’S APPLICATION (Revised 12-15-08)

Please e-mail, mail or fax application to:
City of Shreveport ~ Purchasing Division
PO Box 31109 ~ Shreveport, LA 71130-1109
505 Travis Street ~ Suite E10 ~ Shreveport, LA 71101-3042
Phone: (318) 673-5450 ~ Fax: (318) 673-5408
web site: www.shreveportla.gov


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Copy of Current Business/Occupational License & W-9 Forms are Required.  Are they attached?  yes  no

ADJUDICATED PROPERTY AFFIDAVIT MAILED?  

Vendor Name:  
Federal Identification or S.S. Number:  

Sales (Order) Address (Street, City, State & Zip Code):  
Phone Number:  

Remittance Address (Street, City, State & Zip Code):  
Fax Number:  

Web Site Address:  
E-Mail Address:  

Type of Organization:  
- Partnership  
- Sole Proprietorship  
- Corporation DBE Ownership ___%*  
- Minority Ownership___%  

Type of Business or Service:  
- Architect/Engineer  
- Manufacturer or Producer  
- Distributor  
- MFGR’S Agent  
- Service Establishment  
- Wholesaler  
- Construction  
- (Check all that apply)  

It is imperative that the five digit commodity codes are listed on your application.  These codes can be accessed on the web at www.shreveportla.gov under Bids & RFPs, Section 900 or at BidSync.com.  Click on the three digit code and the five digit codes will be shown.  All of the 900 range commodity codes are for services & construction.  Please list all commodity codes that apply.  Use the back if more space is needed.  When working on City property see Section 600 on the web for Insurance Requirements.

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Please check all of the classifications below that apply.  FSC requires certification by the Fair Share Office.

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Persons Authorized to sign bids and Contracts in your name  
(If an agent, so specify)  

Name  
Official Capacity  

Persons to contact on matters concerning bids and contracts  

Name  
Official Capacity  

I understand that I will need to watch for the City’s ads in the legal section of The Times and/or on BidSync.com web site so that I will know when to contact the City for a copy of an Invitation for Bid (IFB), a Request for Proposal (RFP), or a Request for Statement of Qualification (RSQ).  

I certify that the information supplied herein (including attached pages) is correct and that neither the applicant nor any person (or concern) in any connection with the applicant as a principal officer, so far as is known, is in arrears on monies owed to the City, is not debarred or otherwise declared ineligible by any public agency from bidding for furnishing materials, supplies or services to any agency thereof.

Signature of Person Authorized to Sign  
Name and Title of Person Authorized to Sign for this Firm  

*Defined as those who are socially disadvantaged by Small Business Administration that includes Black Americans, Hispanic Americans, Native Americans, Asian Pacific Americans and Subcontinent Asian Americans.  Place actual percentage of ownership from 0% to 100%.  Women are not included in this definition of minority unless they fit into one of these categories.
AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

Name of Organization: ________________________________________________________________

Be it resolved by the Board of Directors or Members of ________________________________ domiciled in _____________________, that is hereby authorized to sign any and all contracts and/or agreements with the City of Shreveport and to do any and all things necessary to execute the contracts and/or agreement on behalf of this corporation.

That I, ______________________________ (Name) ______________________________ (Position of Authority) hereby certify that the above and foregoing resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution of the Board of Directors or Members of this organization which was passed at a meeting, duly called on ________, 20____ at which a quorum was present. This resolution has been entered into the records of this organization, has not been rescinded or modified, and remains in full force and effect on this date.

Dated this __________ day of ________________________, 20____.

WITNESSES:

__________________________________________  ____________________________________________

Signature:  Federal Tax ID Number: ____________________________  ____________________________

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### City of Shreveport ~ Department of Community Development

#### 2021 Federal Emergency Solutions Grant ~ Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)

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**Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)**
City of Shreveport ~ Department of Community Development
2021 Federal Emergency Solutions Grant ~ Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)

Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)
AFFIDAVIT

ATTESTING THAT ENTITY OR PERSON
DOES NOT OWN ADJUDICATED OR LIEN PROPERTY AND
DOES NOT OWE OUTSTANDING DEBT TO CITY

This affidavit is submitted to document compliance with Shreveport City Code 26-211.

BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary Public duly qualified and commissioned, came and appeared

__________________________________________ authorized representative of:

__________________________________________ with a Federal Tax Identification Number (EIN) of:

__________________________________________ and with a current email address of:

__________________________________________ who does hereby state as follows, to-wit:

1. Business Entity or Person does not own any property which is adjudicated to the City of Shreveport, Louisiana or which has demolition liens, grass cutting liens, or any other Property Standards liens on it. For purposes of this subsection, the term “own” shall mean to be the last record owner of the property prior to a tax sale or adjudication.

2. Business Entity or Person does not own more than twenty-five percent (25%) of a legal entity that owns any property which is adjudicated to the City or which has demolition liens, grass cutting liens, or any other Property Standards liens on it.

3. Business Entity or Person has paid all taxes, licenses, fees, fines, and other charges which are outstanding and due to the City, e.g., false alarm fees, property standard fines, overdue water bills.

4. Business Entity or Person will provide written notification to the City’s Purchasing Agent no later than the next work day after any of the above statements becomes invalid.

5. Upon request of the Purchasing Agent, the City reserves the right to require a newly dated issued Affidavit.

BY:

Printed Name: ____________________________

Title: ____________________________

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, this ______ day of _____________, 20__.

__________________________________________
Notary Public

Notary Identification Number or LA Eas Roll Number

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Mail original affidavit via U.S. mail to:   OR   Deliver via other carrier or hand-delivery to:

Purchasing Division               Purchasing Division
P.O. Box 31109 | Shreveport, LA 71130    505 Travis St., Suite 610 | Shreveport, LA 71101

Affidavit must be on file in the Purchasing Office before a contract, purchase order or check is issued.

** Form Revised 02-08-2017 **
X. CHECKLIST OF REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Cover Sheet; (1)
Proposal Narrative; (2)
A Listing of your Board of Directors and their affiliations; (3)
A copy of your current IRS 501(c) (3) tax exempt statement evidencing that you are not a private foundation and an explanation of any changes in your IRS status; (4)
Most Current Financial Statement or Audit (not to exceed two years old); (5)
Authorization Resolution by Your Board of Directors to Apply for City of Shreveport Funds (2019); (6)
Article of Incorporation and Bylaws; (7)
Vendor’s Application (if new applicant); (8)
Evidence of Insurance (available upon notification of funding; (9)
W-9 Form; (10)
Evidence of Zoning Approval; (11)
Proposed Agency Budget for Fiscal Year; (12)
List of Staff Members and Positions; (13)
Evidence of Occupational License; and (14)
Certification of Utilization of HMIS System (Applicable to Homeless Providers Only) (15)
Secretary of State (Annual Report Status) (16)