

## **SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT**

### **City of Modesto**

#### **2019 Annual Action Plan**

#### **Substantial Amendment #5**

#### **City Council: May 9, 2023**

On March 27, 2020 the United States Congress passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (H.R. 748). The bill provided \$4 billion for ESG to rapidly respond to COVID-19 and the economic, housing, and homelessness impacts caused by it.

On September 20, 2022, The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development awarded the City of Modesto \$632,829.55 of reallocated funds from the Emergency Solutions (ESG) Program CARES Act (ESG-CV) appropriation. A substantial Amendment to the FY 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan is required, and usually a 30-day public comment period is required; however, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has waived this requirement provided that no less than five (5) days are provided for public comments on each substantial amendment. The City of Modesto has opted to allow for a twenty (20) day public comment period to allow for maximum community input and still respond to the community's COVID-19 needs in a timely manner.

The purpose of the Substantial Amendment is to reallocate, add, and define additional following eligible uses using Emergency Solutions Grant Coronavirus ESG-CV made available by reallocation:

#### **1. Emergency Shelter:**

**Funding:** \$569,546.59 From the CARES Act - ESG-CV Reallocation

**Description:** Individuals experiencing homelessness are at greater risk of exposure to a variety of infectious diseases including COVID-19. Funding may be utilized for costs of providing essential services to homeless families and individuals in emergency shelters, renovating buildings to be used as emergency shelter for homeless families and individuals, and operating emergency shelters. Funds will be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19).

**National Objective:** N/A

**Citation:** 576.102

**Funding Source:** Emergency Solutions Grants – Coronavirus (ESG-CV) Reallocation

#### **2. ESG-CV Planning & Administration**

**Funding:** \$63,282.96 From the CARES Act - ESG-CV Allocation

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**Description:** This project will fund administrative expenses related to the planning and administration of ESG-CV projects and activities including but not limited to development of HUD plans, contract development, project monitoring, and enforcement of federal regulations.

**Target Area:** N/A

**Citation:** 576.102

**Funding Source:** Emergency Solutions Grants – Coronavirus (ESG-CV)  
Reallocation

#### ESG-CV

- Allows recipients to deviate from regular procurement standards when procuring goods and services to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus.
- Recipients can use up to 10 percent of the allocation for administrative purposes. In addition to the 10 percent for admin, these funds can be used to provide hazard pay, including for time worked prior to the date of this bill, for staff working directly to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus among the homeless or persons at-risk of homelessness.
- The funds are not subject to the Citizen Participation requirements.
- No match requirement.
- No cap on emergency shelter activities.
- Funds can be used to provide temporary shelters (through leasing of existing property, temporary structures, or other means) to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus; and,
- Environmental review standards will not apply to these funds.