

**CITY OF BETHLEHEM, PA
EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG)**

Posting Date: August 19, 2024

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby provided that the City of Bethlehem, PA, ("City") will hold a public hearing on August 29, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. in Town Hall Rotunda, 10 E. Church St., Bethlehem, PA 18018, in connection with the City's application for an Emergency Solutions Grant ("ESG") to Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED).

Purpose of ESG Funds. ESG is a federal grant providing funding to assist with the rapid rehousing of homeless persons, street outreach, homelessness prevention, and emergency shelter activities. Funds may also be used to support the maintenance of a homeless management information system (HMIS) and administration. This program is authorized by McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act as amended by the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) Act of 2009. Only local governments are eligible to apply.

City's Planned Use of ESG Funds. The City seeks ESG funding for a collaborative application on behalf of Lehigh Valley Regional Homeless Advisory Board (LV-RHAB) service providers. The requested funding will support LV-RHAB service providers to administer any single activity or combination of eligible activities, including: rapid rehousing, street outreach, homeless prevention, emergency shelter, Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), and/or administration. If awarded, the City would act as a pass through for this grant funding.

Comments in connection with Public Hearing. Written comments on the public hearing may be emailed to Emily Folenta, Housing Policy Lead, at efolenta@bethlehem-pa.gov, with copy to Robert Vidoni, Housing and Community Development Administrator, at rvidoni@bethlehem-pa.gov, or delivered or mailed to Robert Vidoni, Community Development Bureau, 10 East Church Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018. Phone comments may be provided by calling 610-865-7085 and speaking with Emily Folenta, Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM through 4:30 PM.

Translation Services; Accessibility/Reasonable Accommodations. If you are in need of translation services, or other reasonable accommodations, related to this public hearing, please contact Emily Folenta at efolenta@bethlehem-pa.gov or 610-865-7085 no later than 4 p.m. on August 26, 2024. City Hall and Council Chambers (Town Hall Rotunda) are wheelchair accessible. Special parking is available at the primary entrance to City Hall at 10 East Church Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018. Persons with disabilities, or others, who plan to attend the public hearing on August 29, 2024, and who might need auxiliary aids or services, or accessibility assistance, should contact Emily Folenta, information above, no later than 4 p.m. on August 26, 2024.

Applicable Law. This notice is issued in accordance with ESG and other applicable laws and regulations. The City does not discriminate based on disability. The public hearing will be held in compliance with applicable fair housing and civil rights laws and requirements.

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