

**COVID-19 Office Hours: Chat and Q&A
January 15th, 2021**

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January 15, 2021 2:31 PM from Thomas Bednar to everyone: +1-415-655-0002
Access code: 610 976 677

(If you need to call in toll-free, call 1-855-797-9485)

January 15, 2021 2:36 PM from Emily Mosites to everyone: CDC vaccination for people experiencing homelessness webinar registration:
https://cdc.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_BGywQdgyTiGjkwkSHVS1pw

January 15, 2021 2:39 PM from Jeanne Goodman (She/Her) to everyone: @Beth Sharber. Thank you, it should be available now. Everyone, please change the TO: line in chat to Everyone.

January 15, 2021 2:40 PM from Avery Slyker to everyone: We are in compliance with HUD's Equal Access Rule however if our CoC makes the decision to review disaggregated data to ensure people of color are identified and housed at a rate that is proportionate to their makeup of homeless households in the CoC- is this a violation of the federal civil rights laws and requirements?

January 15, 2021 2:40 PM from Beth Sharber to everyone: 🖱

January 15, 2021 2:40 PM from Corey Root to everyone: Our state (NC) just changed homeless service staff and clients age 64 and younger from vaccination Phase 1 to Phase 3 - any thoughts on advocacy resources, or other responses that could more effectively prioritize people experiencing homelessness and people who work w/them?

January 15, 2021 2:41 PM from Suzie Tolmie to everyone: Tx- now the "Everyone" option is visible.

January 15, 2021 2:42 PM from Jeanne Goodman (She/Her) to everyone: from kevin harris: 2:41 PM

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If when knocking on a tenants door and they state that they are in "quarentine" what is our responsibilities do we question if they have covid ? or have they been in contact with someone who has covid then are we required to report this information and to WHO ?

January 15, 2021 2:42 PM from Shonda Gray to everyone: Can utility assistance under the homelessness prevention component be provided during the eviction moratorium?

January 15, 2021 2:43 PM from Carrie Poser to everyone: Any news on whether President-elect's plan to extend the moratorium is the CDC moratorium or a different/new one?

January 15, 2021 2:43 PM from martha kenton to everyone: Will there be ESG CV specific guidance on how to document eligible costs/spending?

January 15, 2021 2:44 PM from Lorie Williams to everyone: When a shelter needs to put an individual in a hotel because there is no space in the shelter, how many days can be paid for using ESG regular or ESG COVID funding?

January 15, 2021 2:45 PM from Marlisa Grogan to everyone: @Shonda - we'll be highlighting some Homelessness Prevention resources a bit later during Office Hours and should address your question re: eligibility and when utility assistance can be provided during a moratorium

January 15, 2021 2:46 PM from Lisa Coffman to everyone: @Avery - Federal Civil Rights Laws require that CoC grantees do not discriminate against persons in protected classes. We have been stressing the importance of ensuring that resources are going to those who are disproportionately homeless in your geographic area. If you have specific program features you have questions on, I recommend sending a question to the AAQ.

January 15, 2021 2:47 PM from Brett Esders to everyone: @Lorie - HUD doesn't establish any no maximum number of days that you can pay for someone's stay in a hotel/motel under ESG or ESG-CV funding. You should check with the recipient to see if there are any local maximums.

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January 15, 2021 2:50 PM from Lorie Williams to everyone: We have received requests from shelters to use ESG COVID funding to install or upgrade a security system. It may be a touchless system or just because of the increase of people having to stay in the shelter because of the pandemic. Is this allowable using the COVID funding?

January 15, 2021 2:51 PM from Avery Slyker to everyone: @Lisa-Thank you!

January 15, 2021 2:52 PM from Ebony Rankin to everyone: @Lorie - Security for emergency shelters is an eligible cost for ESG-CV funds

January 15, 2021 2:52 PM from Brett Esders to everyone: @Lorie - all ESG-CV funding has to be related to preventing, preparing for, and responding to COVID-19. Security is an eligible emergency shelter operations cost. So if you can demonstrate that the upgraded security is necessary to prevent, prepare, and respond to coronavirus (e.g., if an upgrade is necessary to reduce surfaces people touch thus limiting the potential spread) then it would be eligible

January 15, 2021 2:54 PM from Lisa Coffman to everyone: @Avery - You are so welcome! Please keep us posted on your progress. Other communities may want to take a look at your strategies.

January 15, 2021 2:55 PM from Nancy Fitzpatrick to everyone: Love the peer learning!

January 15, 2021 2:55 PM from Whitney Patterson to everyone: @Corey, I'm a Regional Team TA provider working in North Carolina--our team would like to help support y'all in the vaccine coordination work. Are any other NC communities on the call? Would it be helpful to meet early next week to think through options? We'll reach out offline, too :)

January 15, 2021 2:58 PM from Micah Snead to everyone: Nice job, CO, thank you!

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January 15, 2021 3:03 PM from Maria Davis to everyone: May ESG-CV funds be used to fund vaccine ambassdor positions?

January 15, 2021 3:07 PM from Whitney Patterson to everyone: Slide 30 of last week's office hours presentation has a great chart for which ESG-CV components you would charge a vaccine ambassador and other activities to <https://files.hudexchange.info/course-content/covid-19-planning-response-for-homeless-assistance-providers-office-hours-january-8/Office-Hours-COVID-19-Planning-and-Response-Slides-January-8-2021.pdf>

January 15, 2021 3:09 PM from Maria Davis to everyone: Thank you Whitney!

January 15, 2021 3:18 PM from William Snow to everyone: @ Adam - we are working on a resource that highlights questions we feel are important. This data is crosschecked with CDC Immunization Information System requirements. We hope to release that next week but stay tuned!

January 15, 2021 3:20 PM from Lorie Williams to everyone: With the moratorium being extended, is there any consideration to allow HP under COVID to be allowed when families are past due in rent? An eviction notice has not been received in these instances.

January 15, 2021 3:20 PM from Tonya Hass to everyone: What was the link for the \$25 billion assistance?

January 15, 2021 3:21 PM from William Snow to everyone: @ Adam - i would just make sure you are registered to receive emails for the "Emergency Solutions Grants" program on the HUDExchange. This is the page you use to sign up for our HUD Exchange listservs: <https://www.hudexchange.info/maillinglist/subscribe/>.

January 15, 2021 3:21 PM from Ebony Rankin to everyone: The link on the slide is: <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/ERA-List-of-Eligible-Local-Governments-Final.pdf>

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January 15, 2021 3:22 PM from Sharon Price Singer to everyone:
<https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/cares/emergency-rental-assistance-program>

January 15, 2021 3:23 PM from Angela Clarke MA 519 to everyone: 90% goes to direct payment? Only 10% for case management, admin etc???

January 15, 2021 3:23 PM from Denise Albertson to everyone: Is there a link to this new flyer?

January 15, 2021 3:24 PM from Norm Suchar to everyone: @Angela, I don't think we know yet how admin will get counted in the calculation for Treasury Emergency Rental Assistance.

January 15, 2021 3:24 PM from Ebony Rankin to everyone: @Denise:
<https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/COVID-19-Homeless-System-Response-Eligibility-During-Eviction-Moratoria.pdf>

January 15, 2021 3:24 PM from Angela Clarke MA 519 to everyone: Thanks

January 15, 2021 3:25 PM from Shonda Gray to everyone: Can HUD provide the date of the previous Homelessness Prevention Office Hours webinar? Please and thank you.

January 15, 2021 3:27 PM from David Stevens to all panelists: If the eviction moratorium continues to get extended, how will that affect ESG-CV funds that have been earmarked for rental assistance if the funds cannot be used?

January 15, 2021 3:27 PM from Marlisa Grogan to everyone: A Framework of Homelessness Prevention: <https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/COVID-19-Homeless-System-Response-System-Planning-A-Framework-for-Homelessness-Prevention.pdf>

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January 15, 2021 3:27 PM from Marlisa Grogan to everyone: Related resources:
Targeting HP in the Midst of COVID: <https://www.hudexchange.info/trainings/courses/targeting-homeless-prevention-in-the-midst-of-covid-19/>

January 15, 2021 3:29 PM from David Stevens to all panelists: Sue Watlov Phillips: Are people thar exp homelessness on the task force?

January 15, 2021 3:29 PM from Marlisa Grogan to everyone: @David - we've heard some communities are shifting their prevention funds to rapid re-housing. Others can consider more strategically targeting households eligible for HP (in the way Brett just described)

January 15, 2021 3:30 PM from Julie Montoya to everyone: The understanding is that Homeless Prevention needs to be involved with the Coordinated Entry system, but what is the expectation of how to do that?

January 15, 2021 3:31 PM from Karen Byron to everyone: @Scott This guide is the Exchange?

January 15, 2021 3:31 PM from Natalie Matthews (she/her) to everyone: Link to resource that Scott just discussed: <https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/COVID-19-Homeless-System-Response-How-to-Design-Scale-and-Fund-a-Homelessness-Prevention-Program.pdf>

January 15, 2021 3:34 PM from Amanda Sternberg to everyone: If CoC planning grants are considered new every year, does this mean our current planning grant would only be renewed at it's current amount?

January 15, 2021 3:34 PM from Greta Guarton to everyone: Thank you. This has been very helpful

January 15, 2021 3:34 PM from Elizabeth Perez to everyone: Will the local field offices prioritize grants expiring in the first quarter of the year?

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January 15, 2021 3:34 PM from Carolyn Mayinja to everyone: How about New CoC Projects - for FY 2021? How can folks apply for New Projects?

January 15, 2021 3:35 PM from Ebony Rankin to everyone: @Amanda - not necessarily (it will likely be close though). The Notice will have more information.

January 15, 2021 3:37 PM from Ebony Rankin to everyone: @Elizabeth - yes, grants that are expiring in the first quarter are prioritized - please work with your local field office once the Notice and grant agreements are ready

January 15, 2021 3:37 PM from Suzie Tolmie to everyone: Pleasde post link to CV edits to ESG STandards guide

January 15, 2021 3:37 PM from Ebony Rankin to everyone: @Carolyn - no new projects for FY 2020...stay tuned for information on FY 2021

January 15, 2021 3:39 PM from Barbara DiPietro to everyone: President-elect Biden has proposed extending the eviction ban until September 30.

January 15, 2021 3:39 PM from Barbara DiPietro to everyone: He has also proposed an additional \$30 billion in rental assistance (in addition to the recent \$25B)

January 15, 2021 3:40 PM from Brenda Chamberlain to everyone: So for the LSA we know we do not need clean reports this year, but how will this affect CoC's for the NOFA? Is HUD planning on universally accepting most of the AHAR data or what is the plan? HMIS Leads are too stressed at this point and we are all worried none of our files will be accepted due to have errors flags we do not have time to resolve. Any feedback would be greatly appreciated.

January 15, 2021 3:40 PM from David Stevens to all panelists: from Vernet Sherrill to all attendees: 3:40 PM

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Can the Treasury Emergency Rental Assistance Program funds be used for the undocumented?

January 15, 2021 3:41 PM from Latesha Balam to everyone: @Suzie-
<https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6250/covid19-grants-management-support-adjusting-esg-written-standards-for-esg-cv/>

January 15, 2021 3:42 PM from Sharon Price Singer to everyone:@ Chris--The Treasury funds will be distributed to the following: Emergency Rental Assistance payments will be made directly to States (including the District of Columbia), U.S. Territories (Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and American Samoa), local governments with more than 200,000 residents, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, and Indian tribes (defined to include Alaska native corporations) or the tribally designated housing entity of an Indian tribe. You need to coordinate with your State or local jurisdiction. Additional guidance is forthcoming.

January 15, 2021 3:42 PM from Sharon Price Singer to everyone:
<https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/ERA-List-of-Eligible-Local-Governments-Final.pdf>

January 15, 2021 3:42 PM from Whitney Patterson to everyone: Great webinar series for those of you thinking about applying for YHDP funding <https://www.hudexchange.info/news/snaps-building-a-youth-system-to-prevent-and-end-homelessness-webinar-series/>

January 15, 2021 3:44 PM from Karen Byron to everyone: @Whitney, thank you.

January 15, 2021 3:47 PM from Meghan to everyone: Is there an anticipated date for release of the vaccine materials?

January 15, 2021 3:48 PM from Sharon Price Singer to everyone:@Meghan they are being released ongoing

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Q&A Session for COVID-19 Office Hours

Session number: 610976677

Date: Friday, January 15, 2021

Starting time: 1:52 PM

-Sarah Isaak - 2:23 PM

Q: Is there any sound yet?

Priority: N/A-

-Jeanne Goodman (She/Her) - 2:27 PM

A: You should hear music.-

-Sarah Isaak - 2:24 PM

Q: nevermind - got it

Priority: N/A-

-BARBARA WHEELER - 2:33 PM

Q: What was the final decision about the HUD CoC 2020 competition.

Priority: N/A-

-Sue Watlov Phillips - 2:39 PM

Q: Sue Watlov Phillips: Are people thar exp homelessness on the task force?

Priority: N/A-