

CoC/ESG Housing and Services Crosswalk

Purpose

This document explains how activities eligible for HOME-ARP differ from the housing and services that can be provided through the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and Continuum of Care (CoC) programs. Participating Jurisdictions (PJs) must consider these differences when evaluating whether HOME-ARP funds can be provided to projects and activities that might otherwise receive ESG or CoC funding or when attempting to layer HOME-ARP funds with ESG or CoC funding in a project. Understanding these differences will allow PJs to consider whether program design changes are necessary to ensure that a project proposed by a CoC or homeless service provider will comply with HOME-ARP program requirements.

HOME-ARP Supportive Services	ESG Street Outreach
Outreach services are eligible in HOME-ARP as a supportive service VI.D.4.J. Covered costs include staffing (salaries, travel, and cellphones); direct services such as crisis management, information and referral, and the cost of food, blankets, and hygiene kits. Supportive services under HOME-ARP also includes mental health services under VI.D.4.H and outpatient health services under VI.D.4.I.	ESG-funded street outreach includes activities to engage individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness, provide support for basic needs, and connect individuals to services and housing. Services consist of engagement, case management, emergency health services, emergency mental health services, specific transportation costs, and services for special populations. Eligible activity under ESG (§ 576.101).
HOME-ARP Non-Congregate Shelter	ESG Emergency Shelter
A HOME_ARP Non-congregate Shelter (NCS) is one or more buildings that provide private units or rooms as temporary shelter to individuals and families and do not require occupants to sign a lease or occupancy agreement. See CPD-21-10 for more details on NCS. HOME-ARP funds may not be used to pay the operating costs of HOME-ARP NCS.	Emergency shelter is a short-term shelter for literally homeless individuals and families to meet their urgent safety needs. Emergency shelter can be congregate or non-congregate. Domestic violence shelters are short-term interim shelter options designed to meet the additional needs of persons fleeing an abusive situation. Eligible activity under ESG (§ 576.102).

HOME-ARP Supportive Services

HOME-ARP funds may be used to provide a broad range of supportive services to qualifying individuals or families as a separate activity or in combination with other HOME-ARP projects and activities.

The HOME-ARP Supportive Services eligible activity combines and adapts support services concepts and eligible activities from the ESG and CoC regulations, including HOME-ARP Homelessness Prevention Services that were adapted from eligible homelessness prevention services under the ESG regulations at 24 CFR 576.102, 24 CFR 576.103, 24 CFR 576.105, and 24 CFR 576.106 and were revised, supplemented, and streamlined in Section VI.D.4.c.i of CPD-21-10.

Likewise, McKinney-Vento Supportive Services under HOME-ARP were adapted from the services listed in Section 401(29) of McKinney-Vento.

These eligible services include housing-related services: (1) short-term and medium-term financial assistance for rent, rental arrears, rental application fees, security deposits, advance payment of first and last months' rent, utility deposits and payments, and moving costs; (2) housing support including landlord/tenant liaison costs, mediation, legal services, and credit repair; (3) income stabilization services including life skills training, child care, transportation, food, employment assistance and job training, and education services; and (4) health services including mental health, outpatient, and substance abuse treatment.

HOME-ARP supportive services also include services for special populations if the cost of providing the services is eligible under section VI.D of CPD-21-10.

ESG Homeless Prevention

As defined in the ESG regulations, homeless prevention activities are designed to prevent an individual or family from becoming homeless.

Eligible services and assistance include short-term and medium-term tenant-based or project-based rental assistance, rental arrears, rental application fees, security deposits, advance payment of last month's rent, utility deposits and payments, moving costs, housing search and placement, housing stability case management, mediation, legal services, and credit repair.

Eligible activity under ESG (§ 576.103).

For the CoC program, the service provider must be part of a CoC that has been designated by HUD as a High Performing Community (HPC). Not all CoCs qualify or choose to apply for this designation. To qualify as an HPC, a CoC must demonstrate through reliable data generated by HMIS that it meets set standards outlined in Subpart E of 24 CFR part 578.





HOME-ARP Rental Housing

Eligible HOME-ARP rental housing is "housing" as defined at 24 CFR 92.2, including but not limited to manufactured housing, single room occupancy (SRO) units, group housing, transitional housing (see note below), and permanent supportive housing. HOME-ARP funds may be used to acquire, rehabilitate, or construct affordable rental housing primarily for occupancy by individuals and families who meet the definition of one or more of the qualifying populations.

Transitional Housing (TH) under HOME-ARP is designed to provide housing and supportive services to households **and** has as its purpose facilitating the movement of individuals and families to independent living within a time that is set by the PJ or project owner before occupancy. TH under HOME-ARP requires execution of a lease that does not contain any prohibited lease provisions. Without a fully executed lease, TH does not qualify as rental housing and is NOT an activity eligible for HOME-ARP.

CoC Transitional Housing

CoC-funded Transitional Housing (TH) is interim housing for a maximum of 2 years with services to stabilize individuals or households prior to moving to permanent housing.

Eligible activities under CoC (Part 578).

CoC Permanent Supportive Housing

CoC-funded Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) is low-barrier permanent housing with supportive services for individuals or families who have experienced chronic homelessness and have inherent barriers to achieving and maintaining stable housing. CoC providers develop and operate site-based permanent supportive housing themselves or in partnership with for-profit or non-profit housing developers. CoC providers also can provide rental assistance and services to people being served in a tenant-based or sponsor-based PSH program, where the units usually are owned by private landlords.

Eligible activities under CoC (Part 578).





Additional Resources

This crosswalk is part of a series of documents that can be used together or separately to assist PJs in making informed decisions about HOME-ARP projects and activities in which there are ESG or CoC program funds. The two other crosswalks in this series are:

HOME-ARP Qualifying Populations and CoC/ESG Eligible Participants provides an overview of the differences between HOME-ARP qualifying populations and participants eligible for programs funded by ESG and CoC grants. The overview can assist PJs in determining how to implement referral methods for HOME-ARP projects and activities.

Homeless Housing and Services Funding Crosswalk provides an overview of common funding sources for housing and services for persons at risk of or experiencing homelessness and other special populations. This overview of existing resources will assist PJs with the review of proposed HOME-ARP projects and activities, in particular those that layer funding from multiple sources.





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