

# State of California 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan Minor Amendment

*The following amendment language will be added to the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan (ConPlan) to allow the state access additional reallocated Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) CARES Act funding. The full text of the existing plan may be found at [Plans & Reports | California Department of Housing and Community Development](#) >Federal Plans and Reports*

## Executive Summary

### ES-05 Executive Summary - 91.300(c), 91.320(b)

#### Introduction

On March 27, 2020, Congress passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act or the “CARES Act”. The Act identified additional funding for the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) to support preparation for, and response to, the community impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The distribution plan of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the additional funding includes multiple phases to allow for quick access to funding necessary to address the immediate crisis resulting from the rising pandemic.

The 2015-2020 ConPlan is being amended to incorporate additional funding from HUD’s CARES Act distribution Plan.

The State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) received \$3,818,845 in reallocated ESG-CV (CARES Act) funding. HCD is amending their Consolidated Plan as directed by Community Planning Development (CPD) Notice, 2022-06. Of this funding, \$3,436,961 will be directed towards ongoing Rapid Rehousing, Street Outreach and Emergency Shelter activities. HCD will retain a maximum of ten (10) percent of the allocation for administrative purposes.

HCD is committed to supporting federally recognized and non-federally recognized Tribes in addressing housing and community development needs by removing barriers to making funds available (as allowed by program rules) and by providing dedicated outreach and technical assistance. HCD recognizes that while Tribes face many of the same barriers as other under-resourced applicants, the legacy of violence, exploitation, dispossession, and attempted destruction of Tribal nations requires unique considerations in the design and implementation of programs and technical assistance. Tribes have also been disproportionately impacted by COVID-19, both by infection rates

and hospitalizations. Therefore, HCD is offering the previously awarded Tribes the additional funds that they had the capacity to administer from the HUD reallocated ESG-CV funds toward ongoing emergency shelter and street outreach projects.

HCD is also committed to permanent housing as the most effective solution to prevent, prepare for and respond to COVID-19 as well as for ending and reducing homelessness in the State of California. Therefore, the State also has a priority for funding ongoing Rapid Rehousing (RRH) programs utilizing ESG-CV who need additional funds to either extend rental assistance to current program participants and/or expand current RRH programs to serve more participants in need of permanent housing support. After making funds available to tribes, HCD will apply the following methodology to award the balance of the reallocated dollars: 1) identified non-tribal ESG-CV grantees that were awarded and had ongoing Rapid Rehousing projects, 2) had expended at least 50 percent of their overall ESG-CV contract and, 3) had expended at least 50 percent of their previously awarded Rapid Rehousing funding.

## Citizen Participation

### PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies 24 CFR 91.300(b)

Describe agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source

The following are the agencies/entities responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

| Agency Role                | Name             | Department/Agency                             |
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| Lead Agency                | CALIFORNIA       | Dept. Housing and Community Development (HCD) |
| ESG & ESG-CV Administrator | CALIFORNIA (HCD) | Division of Financial Assistance              |

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

### PR-10 Consultation - 91.110, 91.300(b); 91.315(l)

Based on CPD notice CPD-22-06 [Notice CPD-22-06: Waivers and Alternative Requirements for the ESG Program Under the CARES Act \(ESG-CV\); Amendments and Clarifications - HUD Exchange](#) consultation or citizen participation requirements are waived. This amendment will be posted on HCD website and an eBlast will be released to inform the public with direction to access this amendment.

### SP-35 Anticipated Resources - 91.315(a)(4), 91.320(c) (1,2)

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