

EHH/ESG-CV Office Hours February 2022

Current Spending Level (PR= Payment Request)

Funding	Sept 21 PR	Dec 2021 PR
EHH 2021-22	214,253 4.5%	964,700 18%
ESG-CV	15.5 million 49%	19 million 60%

EHH/ESG-CV Monitorings

- In 2022, monitorings for EHH 2021-2022 and for ESG-CV will occur
- For agencies with both EHH and ESG-CV, a single monitoring will include both contracts
- DEHCR will be processing 5-6 monitorings every month from February to August
- Materials must be organized and submitted on time
- Financial documentation must be clearly labeled
- Client file documentation should be in the order of the DEHCR client file checklist
- Only provide documentation that is requested; do not include extraneous information

ESG-CV 2020-2022

- Current contracts end April 30, 2022
- DEHCR will grant contract extensions up to June 30, 2022, if needed
- Grantees must request an extension by the end of March 2022
- Reallocation of ESG-CV funding will occur in mid- to late- February

EHH 2021-2022

HUD waivers for FY2021 ESG released 12/30/21

1. “Homeless Definition – Temporary Stays in Institutions of 90 Days or Less” changed to 120 days
 2. Subleases allowed for RRH and Prevention
 3. 24-month limit for rental assistance and housing services waived
 4. FMR requirement waived
- Waivers are in effect from 1/3/22 to 3/30/22
 - Waivers can only be used to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and to mitigate against the economic impact caused by COVID-19 for eligible households
 - These waivers already apply to ESG-CV funds; now they also apply to regular ESG in the 2021-2022 cycle
 - See HUD Memo for further details:
https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/CPD/documents/Additional_Waivers_CPD_COVID19_December_2021.pdf?utm_source=HUD+Exchange+Mailing+List&utm_campaign=80fc158019-COVID-19-Waivers_12.30.21&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f32b935a5f-80fc158019-19521985

EHH 2022-2023

- DEHCR held a stakeholder meeting on February 2nd to discuss the ESG/HPP funding formula, performance metrics, and evaluation standards
 - A survey will be sent to those who attended to collect any additional feedback; the survey can also be forwarded to others
 - The feedback received will be used to guide the upcoming funding cycle
 - Thank you to everyone who participated in the discussion

- There will be a **one-time** increase in HPP funds this cycle to align funding and contract cycles
 - Currently, each EHH contact is using the prior year's HPP award, which causes issues on the administrative side of things
 - The 2022-2023 cycle will use both FY22 and FY23 funds, resulting in a double allocation

Grantee Topic: Subrecipient Management

- As Lead Agencies, how do you manage compliance concerns with subrecipients?
- Let me know via email if you have any ideas I can share (anonymously) with other lead agencies.

Brief Updates

- New DEHCR staff member, Emily Bourne, will be assisting with EHH and ESG-CV

Q & A

- Can ESG-CV funds be used to pre-purchase items that won't be delivered until after the contract performance period ends (ex. appliance, vehicle, cabinets, etc)?
 - HUD AAQ: ESG-CV funds may be used for renovation costs incurred before the performance period ends, even if the project will not be complete by that time. For example, if a subrecipient purchases building materials before September 30, 2022, it is permissible to use ESG-CV funds for the costs incurred for the building materials even if the renovation itself will not be complete by the September 30, 2022 deadline. However, it is HUD's expectation that the renovation will be completed within a reasonable period of time. Additionally, ESG-CV funds may NOT be used for any costs incurred after September 30, 2022, including labor costs.
- Paying a full year's shelter rent up front is acceptable. Paying a full year's rent is aligned with the requirements at section 576.102(c)(2) of the ESG Program Interim Rule, which states that "[w]here the recipient or subrecipient uses ESG funds solely for essential services or shelter operations, the recipient or subrecipient must provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families at least for the period during which the ESG funds are provided."

Meeting notes and recordings are posted at <https://energyandhousing.wi.gov/Pages/AgencyResources/ehh/EHH-Recordings.aspx>