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FY2026 - 2027 RFA Emergency Solutions Grants Program

Division Issuing Notice

Division of Aging

Date of Notice

June 9, 2026

Purpose

The purpose of this Request for Application (RFA) is to solicit applications from non-profits and local units of government who are interested in providing the NC Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Aging, Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) services related to assisting individuals or families that are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless.

Description

NC ESG funds are intended to be used as part of a crisis response system using a low barrier, housing-focused approach to ensure that homelessness is rare, brief, and one time. Activities can include:

- Engaging homeless individuals and families living on the street;
- Improving the number and quality of emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families;
- Helping operate emergency shelters;
- Providing essential services to emergency shelter residents,
- Rapidly rehouse homeless individuals and families, and
- Preventing families and individuals from becoming homeless.

Eligibility

The Division of Aging, NC DHHS will accept applications for ESG funding from Continuums of Care (CoC). The applications will recommend non-profit or local government agencies for funding. Recommended agencies will contract directly with NC DHHS, Division of Aging, for funding or with a Fiscal Sponsor, who will then contract directly with NC DHHS.

How to Apply

Applications in response to the RFA must be received through Smartsheet submission by **5pm on Monday, August 24, 2026**. All applications received by this deadline will be reviewed. Late applications will not be reviewed.

Please see the application for a complete list of all information that must be submitted.

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RFA Instructional Session and Q&A

All prospective applicants are strongly encouraged to attend one of the in-person technical assistance sessions below, being offered by the NC ESG Office, to review and discuss the 2026-2027 NC ESG RFA:

Friday, June 12, 9:30am-11:30am:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8001458832263147353>

Monday, June 15, 1pm-3pm:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1608800371838627158>

Thursday, June 18, 9:30am-11:30am:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5453364824148105560>

In the process of administering this program, NC DHHS will make decisions and interpretations regarding regional, fiscal, and project applications. NC DHHS is entitled to the full discretion allowed by law in making all such decisions and interpretations. NC DHHS reserves the right to request additional information from any applicant. NC DHHS reserves the right to reject any and all applications received. NC DHHS reserves the right to amend, modify, or withdraw provisions contained in this application that are inconsistent or in conflict with state or federal laws or regulations. All applications for NC ESG funding become the property of NC DHHS.

Deadline for Submission

Monday, August 24, 2024, at 5:00 pm via Smartsheet submission. Smartsheet link will be provided at a later date.

How to Obtain Further Information

Direct all inquiries concerning this RFA to:

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RFA Application Documents are found on the NC DHHS Grant Opportunities website located: <https://www.ncdhhs.gov/about/grant-opportunities/aging-and-adult-services-grant-opportunities>