



CITY OF AMARILLO

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

TO: Interested Parties for the Texas Emergency Solutions Grant Program (TX-ESG)

FROM: James Allen, Community Development Administrator

DATE: February 14, 2014

SUBJECT: **2014 Texas Emergency Solutions Grant Program Notice of Funding Availability**

The City of Amarillo is pleased to announce to all local non-profit homeless service providers that the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the FY 2014 Emergency Solutions Grant program (ESG) was released by the Texas Department of Housing and Urban Development on 2/10/2014. The purpose of this program is to provide funding to local organizations to assist individuals experiencing homelessness or persons at risk of homelessness to quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness.

For detailed guidelines on eligible activities that may be funded under the ESG program, please refer to the TDHCA NOFA at <http://www.tdhca.state.tx.us/community-affairs/esgp/nofas.htm>.

The City of Amarillo will submit a collaborative application for ESG funds to TDHCA prior to the deadline of March 10th, 2014. The Amarillo region is eligible to apply for a maximum of \$89,736 in ESG funds for the FY2014/15 year based on HUD established statistical and census data for the number of homeless persons in Amarillo. A minimum of 40% of that award must be designated for Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing activities. A maximum of 5 homeless service providers, plus the City of Amarillo as lead agency, may be selected for inclusion in the collaborative ESG application.

Interested parties should contact Kathryn Foster at kathryn.foster@amarillo.gov or at 378-3005 to request an ESG collaborative partner application. Applications from interested homeless service providers must be returned to the Community Development Department, City Hall, Room 104, 509 SE 7th Avenue, Amarillo, TX no later than:

Monday, February 24th at 5:00PM

Incomplete applications will not be considered. A Continuum of Care committee meeting will be held on **Friday, February 28th at City Hall, Conference Room 306, at 2:00PM**, for review and approval of the partner applications submitted to the City for inclusion in the ESG Collaborative Application. All applicants and CoC member agencies, as well as any interested parties of the general public, are strongly encouraged to attend.