Questions and Answers Addendum for Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Request for Proposal (RFP) #HOST-61-2023

1) Can you please clarify what going through coordinated entry means? ESG programs require that referrals for clients are made through the Coordinated Entry System (OneHome) for Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Rehousing. Though, OneHome does not currently have a prioritization for Homelessness Prevention so this activity type would not need to source clients through OneHome. For Rapid Rehousing, agencies will not have a choice of the clients; vacancies/openings will be submitted in HMIS and OneHome will refer/assign clients to the program.

2) Does this mean that if we applied for funds for rapid rehousing efforts, we would not be able to use those towards housing individuals in our shelter, but rather, we would be assigned newly housed people through One Home that need case management? Correct, all clients would need to be sourced through OneHome for Rapid Rehousing programs.

3) If we would be able to use them towards increasing the number of individuals in our shelter that transition into housing over the next year, would this funding support that goal? It would depend on the activity you are applying to. If you apply for Rapid rehousing or prevention, participants would be referred through OneHome. If you apply for Emergency shelter funds, you could then use that money for your shelter participants.

4) Looking in the RFP there was a segment reading “Match Reports – Completed and returned to Program Officer by January 31, following each funded yearly Match Certification – Match certification to be provided to Program Officer by January 31, following each funded year.” Are there Matching Grant fund requirements for this proposal? If so, what are they, and where can they be found? ESG requires 100% match through either in-kind or cash. A full list of requirements can be found at this link https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-24/subtitle-B/chapter-V/subchapter-C/part-576