Subpart E—Program Requirements

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ESG funds are provided, as well as State, local, and private sources, provided that funds from the other source are not statutorily prohibited to be used as a match.

(2) The first $100,000 of any assistance provided to a recipient that is a State is not required to be matched, but the benefit of the unmatched amount must be shared as provided in 42 U.S.C. 11375(c)(4). Matching funds must be provided after the date of the grant award to the grantee. Funds used to match a previous ESG grant may not be used to match a subsequent grant award under this part. A grantee may comply with this requirement by providing the matching funds itself, or through matching funds or voluntary efforts provided by any State recipient or non-profit recipient (as appropriate).

(3) It is the responsibility of the grantee to ensure that any funds used as matching funds are eligible under the laws governing the funds to be used as matching funds for a grant awarded under this program.

(b) Calculating the matching amount. In calculating the amount of matching funds, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 11375(a)(3), the time contributed by volunteers shall be determined at the rate of $5 per hour. For purposes of this paragraph, the grantee will determine the value of any donated material or building, or of any lease, using a method reasonably calculated to establish a fair market value.

§576.55 Calculating the applicable period. The 3- and 10-year periods applicable under paragraph (a) of this section begin to run:

(1) In the case of a building that was not operated as an emergency shelter for the homeless before receipt of grant amounts under this part, on the date of initial occupancy as an emergency shelter for the homeless.

(2) In the case of a building that was operated as an emergency shelter before receipt of grant amounts under this part, on the date that grant amounts are first obligated for the shelter.


§576.55 Building standards.

(a) Any building for which emergency shelter grant amounts are used for conversion, major rehabilitation, rehabilitation, or renovation must meet local government safety and sanitation standards.

(b) For projects of 15 or more units, when rehabilitation costs are:

(1) 75 percent or more of the replacement cost of the building, that project must meet the requirements of §8.23(a) of this title; or

(2) Less than 75 percent of the replacement cost of the building, that project must meet the requirements of §8.23(b) of this title.

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§576.56 Homeless assistance and participation.

(a) Assistance. (1) Grantees and recipients must assure that homeless individuals and families are given assistance in obtaining:

(i) Appropriate supportive services, including permanent housing, medical health treatment, mental health treatment, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living; and

(ii) Other Federal, State, local, and private assistance available for such individuals.

(2) Requirements to ensure confidentiality of records pertaining to the provision of family violence prevention or treatment services with assistance under this part are set forth in 42 U.S.C. 11375(c)(5).

(3) Grantees and recipients may, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 11375(e), terminate assistance provided under this part to an individual or family who violates program requirements.

(b) Participation. (1) Each unit of local government, Indian tribe, and nonprofit recipient that receives funds under this part must provide for the participation of homeless individuals on its policymaking entity in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 11375(d).

(2) Each State, territory, Indian tribe, unit of local government, and nonprofit recipient that receives funds under this part must involve homeless individuals and families in providing work or services pertaining to facilities or activities assisted under this part, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 11375(c)(7).

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§576.57 Other Federal requirements.

In addition to the Federal requirements set forth in 24 CFR part 5, use of emergency shelter grant amounts must comply with the following requirements:

(a) Nondiscrimination and equal opportunity. The nondiscrimination and equal opportunity requirements at 24 CFR part 5 are modified as follows:

(1) Rehabilitation Act requirements. HUD’s regulations at 24 CFR part 8 implement section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794). For purposes of the emergency shelter grants program, the term “dwelling units” in 24 CFR part 8 shall include sleeping accommodations.

(2) Use of emergency shelter grant amounts must also comply with the requirement that the grantee or the State recipient make known that use of the facilities and services is available to all on a nondiscriminatory basis. If the procedures that the grantee or recipient intends to use to make known the availability of the facilities and services are unlikely to reach persons of any particular race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, familial status, or disability who may qualify for such facilities and services, the grantee or recipient must establish additional procedures that will ensure