



City of Racine, Wisconsin
AGENDA BRIEFING MEMORADUM

AGENDA DATE: January 24, 2022
SUBJECT: 2022 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) applications and allocations.
PREPARED BY: Matthew Rejc, Assistant Director of City Development
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: Department of City Development – Division of Neighborhood Services requests that the CDBG Advisory Board review 2019 ESG applications and Continuum of Care for the City and County of Racine (CoC) funding recommendations.
BACKGROUND & ANALYSIS: ESG funds are available for homeless shelter, prevention, and rapid re-housing activities. The 2021 Annual Action Plan was approved by the Common Council for the City of Racine on December 15, 2020 and was approved by HUD. Funding in the 2021 Annual Action Plan allocates ESG funding that is available to organizations with approval and consultation by the CoC. A Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for ESG was released on November 2, 2021 and application materials were due to the Department of City Development on December 6, 2021. ESG funding is competitive and open to all qualified organizations but, by law, must also be in coordination with the CoC. One ESG application was submitted by HALO as a lead applicant/subgrantee, which included individual program applications by organizations. The ESG funding recommendation approved by the CoC is attached. Department of City Development Staff have also reviewed the proposed allocation to ensure the funding is within HUD ESG regulations. Per Community Development Committee practice, all applicant organizations have been invited to speak for up to three minutes and distribute written materials to committee members at the beginning of the meeting and before the allocation vote.
BUDGETARY IMPACT: A total of \$160,724 of Emergency Solutions Grant funds are available for allocation.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: To allocate ESG funds to organizations as indicated by staff, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to enter into contracts with the organizations pursuant to the funding allocation and Federal regulations.