ADDENDUM NO. 1 TO REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS
No. OHS-09-10-2026
Emergency Solutions Grant Rapid Re-Housing –
Cold and Warm Weather Shelter Services
Questions & Answers

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1	Why isn't the cold Mountain Region included in this RFP?	The County is prioritizing the areas with the highest concentrations of individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness based on the 2026 Point-in-Time Count.
2	If we are already the recipient of the Project Home key, which covers some of our shelter, are we eligible to apply or is that considered double dipping?	Organizations receiving Project Homekey funding may apply under this RFA; however, ESG funds may not be used for costs or activities already funded through Project Homekey or any other funding source.
3	Is there a set number of beds that must be provided?	No. Applicants should propose the number of beds they can reasonably operate based on available resources, facility capacity, and the needs of the region to be served.
4	Is there an email list that I can be added to?	Yes, you can request to be added to the HomelessRFP@hss.sbcounty.gov distribution list.
5	Are all ESG Emergency Shelter activities eligible or is there a priority?	All eligible ESG Emergency Shelter activities may be proposed; however, priority will be given to activities that directly support shelter operations, essential services, and housing-focused services that assist individuals and families experiencing homelessness.
6	Can there be a lead applicant that has 2 subcontractors (1 for Rapid Rehousing and 1 for Emergency Shelter) for 1 application?	Yes. A lead applicant may submit one application and utilize subcontractors to provide Rapid Re-Housing and/or Emergency Shelter services, provided the lead applicant clearly identifies the roles and responsibilities of each subcontractor and remains responsible for overall contract compliance and performance.
7	Will there be handouts and replays?	Yes, materials presented during the Bidders' Conference, will be emailed to attendees and posted on the San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership website.
8	Do emergency motel vouchers still align with emergency shelter definitions?	Yes. However, the County's preference is for shelter-based services provided through an Emergency Shelter provider. Motel vouchers may only be used when no shelter bed availability exists and the lack of available shelter beds has been verified.

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9	Are jurisdictions that currently receive ESG entitlement funding directly from HUD eligible to apply for these HCD ESG funds through the County?	Yes. Jurisdictions that receive ESG entitlement funding may apply; however, if awarded, services must be available throughout the entire funded region and may not be limited to residents of a specific jurisdiction.
10	Will there be other considerations related to scoring like last time - for example last time we scored 90 but we were not selected due to previously funded agencies receiving priority (or something like that) will this "unspoken rule" be considered again for this RFP as well?	Applications will be evaluated based on the criteria outlined in Section VII – Evaluation. Funding decisions may also consider regional service needs and coverage. No preference will be given solely based on an applicant's prior funding history.
11	Do emergency motel vouchers align with emergency shelter definitions still?	Yes. However, the County's preference is for shelter-based services provided through an Emergency Shelter provider. Motel vouchers may only be used when no shelter bed availability exists and the lack of available shelter beds has been verified.