

FUNDING NOTICE: Emergency Solutions Grant CARES

AGENCY: Nortex Regional Planning Commission

SERVICE AREA: Housing

BACKGROUND: Nortex Regional Planning Commission, 4309 Old Jacksboro Hwy., Ste. 200 Wichita Falls, TX, a member of the TX-624 Continuum of Care (CoC), has received an Emergency Solutions Grant CARES (ESG CARES) through the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) to provide assistance to persons negatively affected by COVID-19. This grant is to assist persons that have suffered a loss of income or reduced income resulting in rental/utility arrears, termination notices, evictions or loss of housing, etc.

The two areas of assistance in the grant are Rapid Re-Rehousing and Homelessness Prevention. The definition and available assistance are as follows:

- **Rapid Re-housing** – assist individuals and families who have no other residence and lack the resources/support networks to obtain housing. These include persons who are literally homeless or fleeing/attempting to flee violence. Eligible candidates for these services are persons living in places not meant for human habitation (cars, parks, garages, etc.), emergency shelters, hotels/motels, with friends/relatives, etc. The goal is to move individuals/families into housing quickly increasing their self-sufficiency. The program provides Case Management, short term rental assistance, moving fees, utility/rent deposits and other services associated with gaining housing.
- **Homelessness Prevention** – provides assistance to persons housed and in danger of losing housing or services associated with living in their home. These services could include payment of utilities, utility arrearage or rent arrearages. The goal in this funding is to assist in the prevention of losing housing and having to relocate to emergency shelters, the streets or places not meant for human habitation.

ELIGIBILITY:

- The grant will assist persons living in the following counties: Archer, Baylor, Childress, Clay, Cottle, Foard, Hardeman, Jack, Montague, Palo Pinto, Stephens, Throckmorton, Wichita, Wilbarger, Wise and Young.
- The programs are designed to assist persons in low to moderate income households.
- Because of program deadlines and anticipated changes in income requirements, income limits will change and increase in some program areas. Therefore, income limits are not posted at this time. Information concerning income limits can be answered per inquiry.
- Applicants must be able to verify that the change in status is due to COVID-19.

For assistance review, a completed application, along with the required verification documents for eligibility, must be submitted. Applications may be submitted in 3 ways:

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Fax: (940)322-6743

Mail:

Housing Services Assistance

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