# **Substantial Amendment to the FY2024 Annual Action Plan Fort Bend County Community Development Department**

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Fort Bend County was impacted by Hurricane Beryl, a Presidentially declared disaster dated July 9, 2024 (DR-4798-TX). In response, on August 28, 2024, HUD announced the availability of a special funding allocation of Emergency Solutions Grants called Rapid Unsheltered Survivor Housing funding (ESGRUSH) in the amount of \$104,420 for Fort Bend County.

## **Summary of Amendment**

This substantial amendment to the FY2024 Annual Action Plan incorporates the allocation of \$104,420 in Emergency Solutions Grants - Rapid Unsheltered Survivor Housing (ESG-RUSH) funding provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). These funds address disaster-related homelessness needs resulting from Hurricane Beryl, a Presidentially declared disaster.

#### **Reason for Amendment**

The ESG-RUSH funding allocation was announced after the approval of the FY2024 Annual Action Plan. As such, this amendment outlines the addition of these funds and specifies their eligible use for Shelter Renovations, addressing disaster-related impacts on emergency shelters serving homeless individuals and families.

### **ESG-RUSH Funding Allocation**

The ESG-RUSH funds will be used as follows:

Activity	Amount	Percentage
Shelter Renovation and Rehabilitation	\$96,588.50	92.5%
Administration	\$7,831.50	7.5%
Total	\$104,420	100%

#### **Proposed Activities**

- 1. Shelter Renovation and Rehabilitation
  - Objective: Enhance the safety, accessibility, and capacity of emergency shelters affected by Hurricane Beryl.
  - Eligible Activities:
    - o Repairs to disaster-damaged structures (e.g., roofs, walls, windows).
    - Accessibility improvements, including ADA-compliant ramps, bathrooms, and doorways.
    - o Safety upgrades such as fire suppression systems, security lighting, and reinforced doors.
    - Expansion of shelter capacity through the renovation of unused spaces.
    - Environmental hazard mitigation (e.g., mold remediation, waterproofing).

#### 2. Administration

- Objective: Ensure proper oversight and compliance with HUD regulations.
- Eligible Activities:
  - Monitoring and reporting fund usage.
  - o Completing required environmental reviews under 24 CFR Part 58.
  - Conducting outreach and coordination with subrecipients.

## **Amended Priority Needs and Goals**

The addition of ESG-RUSH funding aligns with the County's goal to provide safe and sustainable housing solutions for individuals experiencing homelessness or at risk due to disaster impacts.

## **Citizen Participation**

In compliance with HUD regulations, Fort Bend County followed its Citizen Participation Plan to notify the public of this amendment and the County provided a public notice in local newspapers and on its website.