



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

No. 107

RESOLUTION

R - 2021

Introduced by the Administration on July 21, 2021

Approves the Submission of an Amendment to the
PA DCED Emergency Solutions Grant Application

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That

WHEREAS, the City of Allentown is desirous of obtaining additional funds for The Lehigh Valley Regional Homeless Advisory Board from Pennsylvania DCED for Rapid Rehousing, Street Outreach, Emergency Shelter, Homeless Prevention and HMIS under 24 CFR § 576.102 and 24 CFR § 576.104

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that shelter and homeless needs exist and have been identified in the local Consolidated Plan and the proposed grant activity addresses this need.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City of Allentown will conduct the required citizen participation process.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City of Allentown Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) will assure the provision of other necessary funds to make the activity feasible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that DCED will reimburse the Commonwealth for any expenditures found by DCED to be ineligible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate officer of the City of Allentown is directed to execute a certificate attesting to the adoption of this Resolution and to furnish a copy of this Resolution to Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED).

- **What Department or bureau is Bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?**

Department of Community and Economic Development.

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

This is to acknowledge that the City of Allentown would like to file an amendment for an application for a Pennsylvania DCED Emergency Solutions Grant for an additional \$192,153.00.

- **Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **What does the Bill do – what are the specific goals/tasks the bill seek to accomplish**
 - **What are the Benefits of doing this/Down-side of doing this**
 - **How does this Bill related to the City’s Vision/Mission/Priorities**

The project being undertake by DCED is the 2021 Emergency Solutions Grant with is being offered through the state of Pennsylvania. This grant will specifically benefit the Lehigh Valley regional Homeless Advisory Board Emergency Shelter members. This grant will allow subrecipients to provide homeless services and resources to the region’s homeless population. This grant aligns with SP-60 Homeless Strategy -921.215(d).

- **Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **Cost (Initial and ongoing)**
 - **Benefits (initial and ongoing)**

There is no cost to the city. This grant is on a reimbursement basis.

- **Funding Sources – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **If transferring funds, please make sure bill gives specific accounts; if appropriating funds from a grant list the agency awarding the grant.**

These funds will be held at CED and will be drawn on a reimbursement basis. This program will work exactly like the federal ESG grants.

- **Priority status/Deadlines, if any**

This grant was due June 25, 2021. However this is for an increase of funds.

- **Why should Council unanimously support this bill?**

This Grant will help the City form much needed partnerships within the city and surrounding areas.