



## ESR GRANT PROGRAM GUIDELINES – FY 2018/2019

**OBJECTIVE:** LFUCG seeks to award grant funding to local non-profit organizations for programs and services impacting four human services priorities areas during FY 2018 and FY2019:

1. **Community Wellness & Safety**
2. **Childhood & Youth Development**
3. **Food Insecurity & Nutritional Access**
4. **Emergency Shelter**

**FUNDING:** Approximately \$3.245 million is projected in grant availability. This figure represents approximately one percent of FY 2015 General Fund revenues. Projected funding targets and ranges for each priority area are listed below:

1. Community Wellness & Safety	Target 40%	Range +/- 3.5%
2. Childhood & Youth Development	Target 20%	Range +/- 3.0%
3. Food Insecurity & Nutritional Access	Target 15%	Range +/- 2.5%
4. Emergency Shelter	Direct Set – Aside 25%	

**PROGRAM CRITERIA:** The Department of Social Services will design Request for Proposals (RFP) for each of the aforementioned funding Priority Areas. Successful proposals shall best demonstrate & incorporate the following competencies into the funding proposals:

1. **Core Program Proposal & Design**
2. **Organizational Capacity**
3. **Program Sustainability**
4. **Opportunity & Engagement**

**EVALUATION:** The Division of Central Purchasing will administer the RFP and evaluation process. RFP will be published during the week of November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. Response deadlines will be 6 weeks later, during the week of December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

ESR Advisory Evaluation Committees will be constituted and comprised exclusively of LFUCG Dept. of Social Services’ staff members, in addition to representatives of LFUCG Homelessness Prevention & Intervention Board.

Advisory Evaluation Committees will be convened & assigned for each of the respective funding Priority Areas (*i.e. “Apples to Apples”*)

- STANDARDS:**
- ✓ Maximum Aggregate Grant Award = no more than 30% total ESR allocation (\$975,000)
  - ✓ Each grant applicant may submit no more than one proposal per respective priority area
  - ✓ Mandatory grant applicant attendance at 1 of 2 Grant Informational Workshops (Oct 2016)