

Encampment Resolution Funding Program

Primary Points:

1. The (Homeless Coordinating and Financing) council shall award \$50 million in competitive grants to applicants to be used to support encampment resolution and rehousing efforts for local jurisdictions.
2. The Encampment Resolution Funding program is hereby established to, upon appropriation by the Legislature, increase collaboration between the council, local jurisdictions, and continuums of care for the following purposes:
 - a. Assist local jurisdictions in ensuring the safety and wellness of people experiencing homelessness in encampments.
 - b. Provide encampment resolution grants to local jurisdictions and continuums of care to resolve critical encampment concerns and transition individuals into safe and stable housing.
 - c. Encourage a data-informed, coordinated approach to address encampment concerns.
3. The (Homeless Coordinating and Financing) council shall make a program application available no later than October 31, 2021;
4. Applications shall be due to the council no later than December 31, 2021;
5. The council shall make initial award determinations no later than March 1, 2022;
6. Provide encampment resolution grants to local jurisdictions and continuums of care to resolve critical encampment concerns and transition individuals into safe and stable housing;
7. Jurisdictions that can demonstrate a commitment to cross-systems collaboration and innovative efforts to resolve encampment issues, while focusing on protecting the health and well-being of the individuals living in those encampments;
8. Encourage a data-informed, coordinated approach to address encampment concerns.
9. Information on the number and demographics of the individuals living in the encampment that the applicant is requesting funding to help resolve;
10. When determining grant awards, funding shall be prioritized for:
 - a. Jurisdictions that can demonstrate a commitment to cross-systems collaboration and innovative efforts to resolve encampment issues, while focusing on protecting the health and well-being of the individuals living in those encampments.
 - b. Jurisdictions that have 50 or more individuals living in the encampment that they are seeking to support with these funds.
11. Data and outcomes will be evaluated to assess efficacy of programs and identify scalable best practices that can be replicated across the state.
12. Report will be made to the chairs of the relevant fiscal and policy committees in both houses on the outcomes, learnings, and best practice models identified through this program.
13. Data elements will be entered into local Homeless Management Information System for tracking in statewide Homeless Data Integration System.
14. Encampment resolution strategies, case studies, and learnings will be disseminated to local jurisdictions.