

D. Financial Assistance – Includes activities detailed in the chart below:

	PREVENTION	RAPID RE-HOUSING	GUIDANCE (Payment always goes to a third party.)
Short Term Leasing Assistance 1-3 Months	Not Available. (See category directly below for Short Term Leasing Assistance within prevention.)	Available Household must be street homeless, living in a shelter, or doubled-up. Capped at 3 months rent per household/per year. This is the only type of rental assistance that can be counted to meet the 15% of 40% described in Section VII, Use of Funds, in the NOFA.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Units cannot exceed MSHDA Payment Standards; • Leasing payments must be made directly to landlords; • Grantees must maintain verification of need, income, and all other pertinent information as required by HUD and MSHDA in the participant’s file; • Grantees must create a housing stabilization plan accessible on HMIS, if the recipient is receiving leasing assistance. DV agencies that do not have access to HMIS will be able to upload a housing plan to the MSHDA Web site; • Participants must be assisted to apply for resources available through the SER Program administered by DHS, or the participants file must be documented showing them not qualified for SER • Lead Based Paint requirements apply per ESG PB #3.
Rental Arrearages &/or Short Term Leasing Assistance 1-3 Months	Available Only if it prevents an eviction, see guidance. Capped at 3 months rent per household/per year; NOTE: Total per household/per year is capped at 3 months of rental assistance for the <u>combination</u> of rental arrearages and short term leasing – NOT 3 months for each category.	Not Available	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Units cannot exceed MSHDA Payment Standards; • Leasing payments must be made directly to landlords; • Grantees must maintain verification of need, income, and all other pertinent information as required by HUD and MSHDA in the participant’s file; • Grantees must create a housing stabilization plan accessible on HMIS, if the recipient is receiving leasing assistance. DV agencies that do not have access to HMIS will be able to upload a housing plan to the MSHDA Web site; • Participants must be assisted to apply for resources available through the SER Program administered by DHS, or the participants file must be documented showing them not qualified for SER • Lead Based Paint requirements apply per ESG PB #3. <p>Documentation may be either a copy of a Notice to Quit, Demand for Possession or Summons & Complaint.</p>

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Security Deposits	Available Cannot exceed one month's rent.	Available Cannot exceed one month's rent.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants must be assisted to apply for resources available through the SER Program administered by DHS, or the participants file must be documented showing them not qualified for SER; Lead Based Paint requirement applies per ESG PB #3.
Utility Arrearages	Available <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For utility arrearages only if they have shut off notice. Capped at \$1,500 per household/per year; NOTE: Total per household/per year is \$1,500 for the combination of prevention and re-housing. Not \$1,500 for each category. 	Available only if it enables utilities to be turned on at a new address. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capped at \$1,500 per household/per year; Note: Total per household/per year is \$1,500 for the combination of prevention and re-housing. Not \$1,500 for each category. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants must be assisted to apply for resources available through the SER Program administered by DHS, or the participants file must be documented showing them not qualified for SER.
Legal Assistance	Available <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capped at \$100 	Available <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capped at \$100 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mediation or attorney for landlord/tenant disputes
Identification (ID)	Available <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtain IDs 	Available <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtain IDs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eligible expenses include: birth certificates, social security cards, and driver's license.
Lead-Based Paint Inspection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Required if the household has a child under the age of 6 and if the property was built prior to 1978. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Required if the household has a child under the age of 6 and if the property was built prior to 1978. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lead Based Paint requirement apply to both prevention and rapid re-housing; see Lead Based Paint Policy ESG PB #3.
Housing Quality Standards (HQS) Requirement	N/A However, a home visit to assure the property is safe and sanitary is recommended.	N/A However, a home visit to assure the property is safe and sanitary is recommended.	N/A
Mortgage Arrearages Including Land Contracts	Not Available	Not Available	No longer an eligible use of these dollars.