

**FUNDING REQUEST FORM
BERKS COUNTY & CITY OF READING
EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) PROGRAM
FFY2027**

Assistance in completing this request is available by calling the Berks Redevelopment Authority at 610-478-6325 OR City of Reading Community Development Office at 610-655-6211, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.

Please answer all questions on this form that are applicable to your project as specifically as possible (print or type). Attach additional information, beyond the required documents, if needed with your request form, in order to more fully answer the pertinent questions.

All projects funded by the ESG Program must be consistent with the City & County Comprehensive and the Five Year Consolidated Plans.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. Date: _____
- B. Submitted By: _____ Title: _____
- C. Organization: _____
- D. Address: _____

- E. Telephone: _____ FAX: _____
- F. Contact Person: _____
- G. Contact Person Telephone: _____
- H. DUNS Number: _____ IRS Tax Number: _____
- I. Email: _____
- J. Total Budget: _____ Amount Requested: _____
- K. Project Name: _____
- L. Brief Description of Project: _____

- M. Project Service Area: _____
- N. Project Location: _____

II. CHECKLIST OF REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Organizations currently being funded by the ESG Program do not need to submit documents No. 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, or 10 if they are on file in either the Berks Redevelopment Authority Office OR the City Community Development Department and they have not been changed since initially submitted.

- _____ 1. Narrative data on project and applicant
- _____ 2. Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws
- _____ 3. State and Federal Tax Exemption Determination letters
- _____ 4. List of Board of Directors
- _____ 5. Board of Directors' authorization to request funds
- _____ 6. Board of Directors' designation of authorized official
- _____ 7. Organizational chart
- _____ 8. Resume of program administrator
- _____ 9. Resume of fiscal officer
- _____ 10. Financial statement and most recent audit
- _____ 11. Copy of most recent strategic plan or similar planning document.
- _____ 12. Performance Measurement Form.
- _____ 13. Current Salary of Executive Director

III. NARRATIVE

The County and City do not require a particular format for this section however, the narrative may be typewritten and not exceed 10 pages.

A. Project Summary

Briefly describe the proposed project. The narrative should include the need or problem to be addressed in relation to the Comprehensive Plan and Consolidated Plan, as well as the population to be served or the area to benefit. Describe the work to be performed, including the activities to be undertaken or the services to be provided, the goals and objectives, method of approach, and the implementation schedule. Include the proposed budget, specifying line item costs such as personnel, supplies, equipment, travel, etc. Discuss the intended staffing pattern, and finally other sources of funding sought and secured.

B. Performance/Outcome Measurement

Human Service agencies are in the midst of a major shift from focus on activities to a focus on results. The potential benefits of this shift to a focus on outcomes are broad. Agencies will have invaluable information for increasing the quality of their programs. Program participants will receive services that are shown to produce positive results.

Using your organization's planning document, please provide appropriate performance/outcome measurements for the project you are requesting funds for.

C. Organization Information

Background

Include the length of time the organization has been in operation, the date of incorporation, the purpose of the organization, and the type of corporation. Describe the type of services provided, the organization's capabilities, the number and characteristics of clients served, and license to operate (if appropriate).

Personnel

Briefly describe the organization's existing staff positions and qualifications, and state whether or not the organization has a personnel policy manual with an affirmative action plan and grievance procedure.

Financial

Describe the organization's current operating budget, itemizing revenues and expenses. Identify commitments for ongoing funding. Describe the organization's fiscal management including financial reporting, record keeping, accounting systems, payment procedures, and audit requirements.

Audit Requirements

The Organization is informed that if funded by the ESG Program, the Organization may be subject to the audit requirements of OMB Circular A-133 and 2 CFR Part 200.

Insurance/Bond/Worker's Compensation

State whether or not the organization has liability insurance coverage, in what amount, and with what insuring organization. State whether or not the organization pays all payroll taxes and worker's compensation as required by Federal and State Law. State whether or not the organization has fidelity bond coverage for principal staff who handle the organization's accounts, in what amount, and with what insuring organization.

Additional Information

Include any other pertinent information.

IV. STANDARD REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

A. Articles of Incorporation/Bylaws

Articles of Incorporation/Bylaws Articles of incorporation are the documents recognized by the State as formally establishing a private corporation, business or organization.

B. Non-profit determination

Non-profit organizations must submit tax-exempt determination letters from the Federal Internal Revenue Service and the State Franchise Tax Board.

C. List of the Board of Directors

A list of the current board of directors or other governing body of the organization must be submitted. The list must include the name, telephone number, address, occupation or affiliation of each member and must identify the principal officers of the governing body.

D. Authorization to Request Funds

Documentation must be submitted of the governing body's authorization to submit the funding request. Documentation of this requirement consists of a copy of the minutes of the meeting in which the governing body's resolution, motion or other official action is recorded.

E. Authorized Official

Documentation must be submitted of the governing body's action authorizing the representative of the organization to negotiate for and contractually bind the organization. Documentation of this requirement consists of a signed letter from the Chairperson of the governing body providing the name, title, address and telephone number of each authorized individual.

F. Organizational Chart

An organizational chart must be provided which describes the organization's administrative framework and staff positions, which indicates where the proposed project will fit into the organizational structure, and which identifies any staff positions of shared responsibility.

G. Resume of the Chief Program Administrator

H. Resume of the Chief Fiscal Officer

I. Financial Statement and Audit

V. BUDGET SUMMARY

Provide financial data requested below. Costs should be based on the best information available at the time of the request.

Total estimated cost of project: \$ _____

Amount of funds requested: \$ _____

Amount of required matching funds (\$1.00 for \$1.00): \$ _____

It is important to try to obtain funds to offset the demand for the limited amount of ESG Program funds. If the project requires a renewal of funds every year, the County and City cannot guarantee that renewal.

- A. List the amount and source of other funds that will be used in addition to the ESG Program funds being requested.
- B. If ESG Program funds are needed to secure matching funds from another source, state the source and the amount of funds to be matched.

VI. CERTIFICATION

This funding request for ESG Program funds was discussed at a public meeting held on (date) _____ and was approved by the Governing Body on (date) _____.

 Signature Title

Deadline for completed request and supporting documentation is June 30, 2026 and must be sent to:

For **City** ESG Funding –
 City of Reading Community Development Office
 City Hall Office 3-12
 815 Washington Street
 Reading, PA 19601
 610-655-6211

For **County** ESG Funding -
 Berks County Redevelopment Authority
 400 E. Wyomissing Avenue
 Ground Floor, Suite Two
 Mohnton, PA 19540
 610-478-6325

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Project #	Date Received:
Eligible:	Regulation: