



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
**NEIGHBORHOOD & HOUSING
SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

November 10, 2022 | Item #10

Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) Grant Funding

Veronica Garcia, Interim Director

Summary



This ordinance accepts the following funding:

- \$2,468,163 grant from ERA-2 Reallocated Funds, Round 1
- \$1,971,207 grant from ERA-1, Final Round paid directly to the City; and
- \$500,000 grant from ERA-1 funds, as a subrecipient of Bexar County

The reallocated funds will be used for rental assistance applicants who applied prior to October 17, 2022

Housing Assistance Program (HAP)

- \$206 Million in Emergency Housing Assistance Program (EHAP) approved over two years
 - 66,000 households assisted before closing in March 2022
- In May 2022, EHAP transitioned into Housing Assistance Program (HAP) providing housing assistance and relocation assistance
 - Rental assistance closed on June 10, 2022, and NHSD processed over 10,000 applications
- To date, HAP has approved over \$13 million in financial assistance to more than 5,000 households
- NHSD temporarily reopened the HAP application period for rental assistance from October 7- October 17 and received over 4,000 applications

HAP Rental Assistance



Based on the Risk Mitigation Policy, assistance keeps residents from becoming displaced

Assistance Provided to Renters

- Rental Assistance
- Utilities including internet assistance
- Up to 3 months
- Max \$3,500 housing / \$1,500 utilities
- Once every 12 months

Eligibility

- Bexar County/City of San Antonio resident
- COVID-19 Hardship
- < 80% AMI

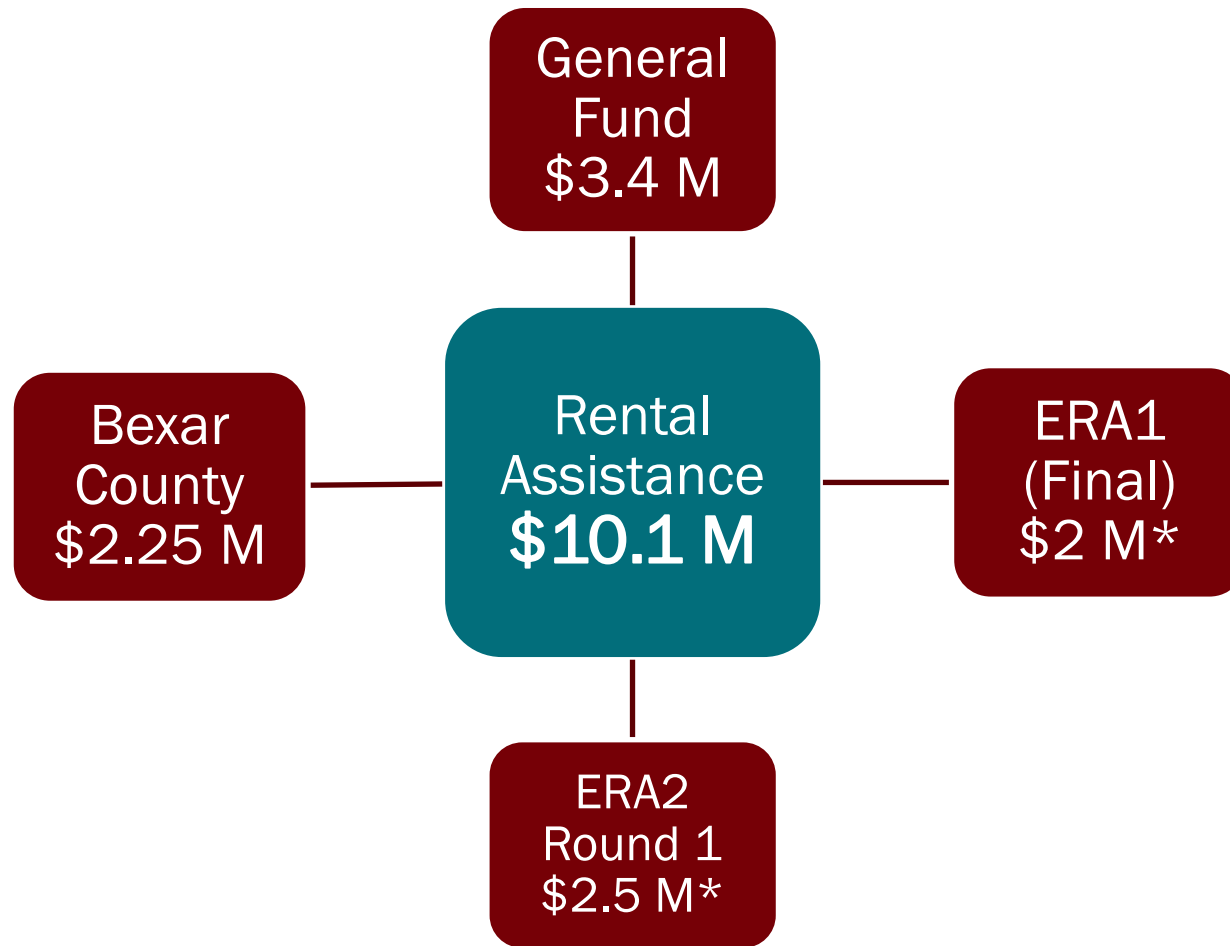
HAP Relocation Assistance Program



**Relocation support
to get residents in
need back on their
feet**

- Temporary lodging, security & pet deposits, application fees, and moving costs
- Up to \$3,000 (multi-family) / Up to \$7,000 (mobile park residents)
- Households with older adults or individuals with disabilities are eligible to receive an additional \$500 in relocation assistance
- Families receive housing counseling, benefits navigation, and referrals

HAP Budget – Rental Assistance



- Includes allocations from US Treasury, Bexar County and City's General Fund
- Bexar County \$500k used for FY2022 applications
- All funds will be utilized for HAP applications already pending rental assistance
- Relocation Assistance also available

*Pending City Council approval

Recommendation



- Staff recommends accepting funds from the U.S. Department of Treasury including a \$2,468,163.91 grant from ERA-2 Reallocated Funds, (Round 1), and \$1,971,207.88 grant from ERA-1 Reallocated Funds (Final Round) paid directly to the City, and a \$500,000.00 grant from ERA-1 funds, as a subrecipient of Bexar County, to provide rental assistance to Bexar County residents
- This item also authorizes an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with Bexar County providing for the administration of the City's rental assistance program.



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