

Applicant	Project Name	Program Year	Grant Request	Total Cost	Activity	Project Details	Score (Max 132)
Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet	Kathy Paulsen Hope House	2025/2026	\$50,000.00	\$567,069.00	Emergency Shelter Essential Services – ESG	Kathy Paulsen Hope House, an 18-bed shelter, benefits low-income DuPage County residents who are homeless due to a crisis situation, such as job loss, eviction, depleted savings, credit issues, illness, or loss of household income. In FY25 and FY26, the project proposes to provide shelter and services to at least 140 unduplicated clients each year. Total project cost is \$558,174.00 and Catholic Charities requests \$50,000 to partially fund salaries of staff providing direct client services. All clients have individualized service plans delineating mutually agreed upon goals. Service plan progress is reviewed daily with residential crisis counselors. Eligible clients are enrolled in mainstream benefits to maximize resources and income and are assisted in regaining financial independence and employment. It is anticipated that 70% of clients served will obtain Full Time Equivalent employment earning enough income to obtain permanent stable housing.	111
DuPagePads	ESG - Street Outreach	2025/2026	\$94,944.00	\$193,140.00	Street Outreach – ESG	DuPagePads' Street Outreach Program serves unsheltered homeless persons in DuPage County. Our team identifies, finds and connects with these individuals and families experiencing homelessness to offer them support and to connect them to programs and benefits. We receive suggestions regarding unsheltered homeless persons who might need help through our hotline and through our partnerships with local police, libraries and social service providers. Street Outreach clients may choose not to access emergency shelter or supportive services because of mental illness, safety concerns regarding their children, fear of being separated from family members, or for a host of other reasons. As such, our Street Outreach team travels to them to provide assistance with basic needs, enrollment in mainstream benefits, health and mental health services, school enrollment for children and/or other needed services and support. DuPagePads requests \$94,944 in needed ESG funding from DuPage County to support the Street Outreach program's operating costs, specifically salaries and benefits for two fulltime Street Outreach case manager positions and .25 time allocation for one Street Outreach Supervisor limited to supporting time for client interactions only. In FY24, DuPagePads' Street Outreach team engaged with 246 unsheltered persons. Ultimately, 191 of these individuals exited street homelessness, with 109 exits (97%) to emergency or stable housing.	106
DuPage County Community Services	DPC Emergency Solutions Grant Program	2025/2026	\$50,000.00	\$998,061.00	Homelessness Prevention – ESG	DuPage County Community Services (DCS) is applying to distribute \$50,000 in Emergency Solutions Grant Funds for eligible at-risk households with the goal of helping these households to avoid eviction and homelessness or to shorten the time persons lack permanent housing. We will act in accordance with the rules as established by HUD and the guidance, standards and practices set locally by the DuPage Continuum of Care (CoC). The CoC Coordinated Entry System will serve as the process to recruit eligible households for these services. We anticipate the ability to serve up to 5 households with these funds. Client and service level data will be entered into DuPage County's Continuum of Care's Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). This project will assist with housing stabilization services (intake, application, eligibility assessment, comprehensive case management) and financial assistance (security deposit, rent and/or utility arrearage, tenant-based rental assistance, utility payments and moving costs). We will provide the required program match through other grant funds which assist at-risk households to obtain or maintain permanent housing.	105
DuPage County Community Services	HMIS	2025/2026	\$50,000.00	\$307,172.00	Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) – ESG	This grant helps fund a portion of a Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) project Manager and 2 full-time System Administrators to provide training, monitoring, reporting, and technical assistance to 13 participating agencies and 160 Users, Software, System Administration, Reporting and Data training, HMIS related travel, and grant administration expenses to meet local, State, and Federal data collection and reporting requirements. We participate in a regional HMIS, Northeast Illinois (NIL), where each HMIS lead establishes their own operating procedures and work with participating agencies in their respective Continuum of Care (CoC) to help ensure compliance with privacy, security, and data quality.	105

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DuPagePads	ESG - Interim Housing - DuPagePads	2025/2026	\$210,000.00	\$2,882,813.00	Emergency Shelter Essential Services – ESG	DuPagePads' Interim Housing Center (IHC) provides families and individuals experiencing homelessness with centralized onsite access to year-round emergency shelter, food assistance and connections to case management and intensive supports to streamline their ascent to housing stability. The IHC is unique in that, as a former hotel utilized since the local outbreak of COVID-19 to protect the health, safety and wellbeing of clients, volunteers and staff, it provides residents with access to a consistent, private space with a personal bathroom and closing door, coupled with support services, including case management, entitlements assistance, advocacy, connections to primary/mental health and substance use treatment and appropriate referrals for other community-based specialized supports. These features have had a significant and positive impact on guests' mental and emotional wellbeing, enabling them to stabilize in a more rapid and efficient manner. In FY24, the IHC provided emergency housing and food assistance to 619 individuals experiencing homelessness (60% of all clients served), with 276 individuals of 343 countable exits (80%) exiting to stable housing. ESG funding in the amount of \$210,000 is requested to support a portion of the salaries for DuPagePads' Interim Housing Center Director (\$32,969.43), Interim Housing Supervisor (\$23,977.77), Client Services Center Director (\$23,977.77) and three overnight Interim Housing Center case managers (\$129,075.03).	98
FSS of MFS DuPage	Shelter Services for Domestic Violence Survivors	2025/2026	\$110,700.00	\$3,837,613.00	Emergency Shelter Essential Services – ESG	Family Shelter Service of Metropolitan Family Service DuPage (FSS of MFSD) requests funding for shelter and supportive services to address the needs of victims of domestic violence (DV) and their children who are homeless as a result of fleeing interpersonal abuse. For emergency shelter services, FSS operates a 41-bed emergency shelter that provides a refuge for DV survivors and their children who would otherwise be homeless. Hotel shelter is available when needed and a full range of services is provided to hotel-sheltered clients. The grant will fund salaries and benefits for 1.8FTE Senior DV Advocates to provide direct services to DV victims/their children within emergency shelter. Advocates address the immediate needs of DV victims by welcoming them to the shelter and providing basic needs such as toiletries, diapers, food, and clothing as many enter shelter in crisis and with very limited financial resources. C.O.R.E. Life Skills training is provided to promote self-sufficiency. Case management and guidance to access needed benefits and community resources is provided and clients may also access the full range of FSS services including legal aid. FSS of MFSD provides the only comprehensive DV services in DuPage County and is a leading voice on DV issues.	79