

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-_____

Resolution of the City of Bethlehem (“Applicant”) authorizing the filing of a proposal for funds with the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED), Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

WHEREAS, the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009 (HEARTH) enacted into law on May 20, 2009, authorized the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania through the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) has received ESG program funds and is making these funds available to units of local governments for eligible homeless services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem desires to submit an application to DCED for ESG Program funds to provide homeless services or on behalf of other entities to provide homeless services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Bethlehem City Council that:

1. The proposed project(s) include homeless prevention; street outreach; rapid rehousing; emergency shelter; Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and administration to be funded by a grant from the Pennsylvania ESG Program meet the ESG interim rule requirements at §24 CFR 576 are eligible and approved.
2. The City of Bethlehem on behalf of Bethlehem Emergency Shelter; Family Promise Lehigh Valley; Haven House; New Bethany, Inc.; Project Easton; River Crossing YMCA; Safe Harbor Easton Inc.; Salvation Army; SELF! LV; The Lehigh Conference of Churches; Third Street Alliance; Unidos Inc; Valley Health Partners Community Health Center; and Valley Youth House is authorized and directed to execute an ESG Program application up to \$1.5 million to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development.
3. The Subgrantees will assume the responsibility for securing the required matching amount of project funds or request a waiver of match funds to DCED.
4. The City of Bethlehem and/or its Subgrantees will reimburse the Commonwealth for any expenditure found to be ineligible.
5. The City of Bethlehem is authorized to provide such assurances, certificates, and supplemental data or revised data that DCED may request in connection with the application.

Sponsored by: /s/ _____

/s/ _____

ADOPTED by Council this _____ day of _____, 2025.

/s/ _____
President of Council

ATTEST:

/s/ _____
City Clerk