

## How Do I Apply?

Visit our website: [www.nekcap.org](http://www.nekcap.org), scroll down and click on the Homeless Housing Assistance link -



### Homeless Programs



- ☛ This quick form pre-application will notify staff that you need to complete the Coordinated Entry process
- ☛ A staff member will contact you to complete a screening and gather information about your current situation
- ☛ Your name will be added to the regional waiting list

For more information regarding the Coordinated Entry process contact our Community Development & Outreach Manager at 913-367-7114, ext. 303 (office) or 785-288-0117 (cell) or visit <https://www.kshomeless.com/ces.html>



It takes a village, but how can the community help?

Both programs require that NEK-CAP, Inc. show matching funds. Community members who want to help can assist us in finding these in several ways:

- ☛ Financial donations to help with housing needs
- ☛ Gifts of 'in-kind': items that we can share with families in our program to help them make their new unit a home
- ☛ Gifts of time: If someone provides a service at a discounted rate or for free, we can count that as matching funds. ie: maintenance time, counseling, mentoring, transportation.
- ☛ For more specific information, see our idea sheet on our website at [www.nekcap.org](http://www.nekcap.org)



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# NEK-CAP, Inc.

*We provide comprehensive education and social services to low-income community members through collaborative partnerships focused on promoting the development of individuals and families, empowerment, and economic security.*



## Homeless Programs ESG and CoC



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## What is ESG?

ESG stands for Emergency Solutions Grant, a program through HUD to provide financial assistance to people experiencing homelessness. This is a short-term program meant to quickly move people out of homelessness into permanent housing. Most participants receive up to three (3) months of assistance as well as case management, with the goal of maintaining housing long-term.

- ☛ Available in Atchison, Brown, Doniphan, Jackson, Jefferson, Nemaha, and Marshall Counties.
- ☛ Verification of homelessness will be required.
- ☛ Homeless Prevention must meet income guidelines of less than 30% of county median income. Income updated every 90 days.
- ☛ Units require annual housing inspection, which includes lead screening to qualify for any assistance.
- ☛ Participants are expected to apply for other subsidy housing programs if they cannot afford rent after ESG ends; ie-HCV, Section 8, Rural Housing, etc.



## What is CoC?

CoC stands for Continuum of Care, a program through HUD to provide financial assistance to people experiencing homelessness. This is a short-to-medium term program meant to quickly move people out of homelessness into permanent housing. Most participants receive 6-24 months of assistance as well as case management, with the goal of preventing future episodes of homelessness and maintaining housing long-term.

- ☛ Available in Atchison, Brown, Leavenworth and Marshall Counties
- ☛ Must meet homeless definition of Literally Homeless or Fleeing Domestic Violence. Verification of homelessness will be required.
- ☛ Units require annual housing inspection, which includes lead screening to qualify for any assistance.
- ☛ Participants are expected to apply for other subsidy housing programs if they cannot afford rent after CoC ends; ie-HCV, Section 8, Rural Housing, etc.

## What kind of Services are Provided with ESG or CoC?

- ☛ Security Deposit
- ☛ Rent assistance as outlined by the program
- ☛ Family Advocacy & goal setting
- ☛ Utility assistance as outlined by the program
- ☛ Service coordination

## Homeless Definitions our programs cover:

### Literally Homeless - Both programs

- ☛ Sleeping on the street or in doorways
- ☛ Sleeping in a vehicle
- ☛ Sleeping at a park, river, lake
- ☛ Sleeping in condemned or abandoned building that you do not have permission to be in
- ☛ Sleeping at a homeless shelter or Domestic Violence shelter

### Imminently Homeless ESG program only

- ☛ Ordered by a court to be out of your rental within 14 days
- ☛ Temporarily staying with friends or family (couch-surfing) and you have been told you have to leave

### Fleeing Domestic Violence/Exploitation Both programs

- ☛ Fleeing/attempting to flee domestic violence
- ☛ Fleeing/attempting to flee exploitation/human trafficking



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