



**AGENDA ACTION FORM**

**Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the City of Kingsport’s Application for and Acceptance of Funding through THDA’s 2026 Emergency Solutions Grant**

To: Board of Mayor and Aldermen  
From: Chris McCartt, City Manager *CM*

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Staff Work By: Michael Price  
Presentation By: Michael Price

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**Strategic Focus Area: 1. Efficient & Responsive Government**

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**Recommendation:**

Approve the Resolution

**Executive Summary:**

If approved, Community Development staff will apply for the Emergency Solutions Grant through the Tennessee Housing Development Agency.

The Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) specifically to address homelessness. The city currently employs a homeless outreach team whose role is designed to assist in homeless prevention, street outreach and re-housing. If awarded, the ESG funds will partially fund the homeless outreach coordinators’ salary as well as for supplies, case management tools, and other needed goods. The grant request will be for \$127,984.71 and carries a dollar-for-dollar match requirement. Salaries of existing employees and CDBG allocation will be used to meet the in-kind match. The goal is to meet the homeless population where they are, develop relationships and provide needed services and/or referrals. Each element of the grant request will impact our community and help assist those who are currently experiencing homelessness or at-risk for homelessness.

The City of Kingsport was awarded the ESG Grant in 2024 and in 2025 the amount of \$117,779.48, staff seeks a continuation of the award for ESG 2026.

**Attachments:**

1. Resolution
2. Draft Application
3. Certification of Matching Funds
4. Written Standards Checklist

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Baker	—	—	—
Cooper	—	—	—
Duncan	—	—	—
George	—	—	—
Mayes	—	—	—
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Montgomery	—	—	—