

# Harris County, Texas

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## Legislation Details (With Text)

File #: 23-0793 Version: 1 Name:

Type: Grant Status: Passed

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**Title:** Request by the Office of County Administration for approval to submit an application to the U.S.

Department of the Treasury for additional grant funds in the amount of \$24,000,000, with no required

match, for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERA2)-Supplemental.

Sponsors:

Indexes:

**Code sections:** 

Attachments: 1. 23-0793.pdf

Date Ver. Action By Action Result

1/31/2023 1 Commissioners Court

**Department:** County Administration

**Department Head/Elected Official:** David Berry, County Administrator

Regular or Supplemental RCA: Regular RCA

Type of Request: Grant

**Project ID** (if applicable): N/A

Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable): N/A

MWDBE Contracted Goal (if applicable): N/A
MWDBE Current Participation (if applicable): N/A

Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal: N/A - Goal not applicable to request

#### Request Summary (Agenda Caption):

Request by the Office of County Administration for approval to submit an application to the U.S. Department of the Treasury for additional grant funds in the amount of \$24,000,000, with no required match, for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERA2)-Supplemental.

#### **Background and Discussion:**

The U.S. Treasury Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERA2) was established via the American Recovery Plan Act of 2021. Jurisdictions were required to meet specific performance targets by April 2022. Those unable to meet targets or who chose to voluntarily relinquish a portion of their award returned funds to Treasury. Harris County met performance targets and is therefore eligible to receive reallocation of funds from other jurisdictions.

Harris County was awarded \$1,354,965 in Round 1 of reallocation of ERA2 funds and recently received notice of a Round 2 reallocation award in the amount of \$1,326,430. This application for Round 3 is for an additional

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\$24,000,000.

**Expected Impact:** Eviction prevention for approximately 3,600 families

Alternative Options: Not receive additional funding for the ERA program

### Alignment with Goal(s):

- \_ Justice and Safety
- X\_ Economic Opportunity
- X Housing
- X\_ Public Health
- \_ Transportation
- \_ Flooding
- \_ Environment
- \_ Governance and Customer Service

### Prior Court Action (if any):

Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken		
05/25/2021	21-2383	Approval to accept grant funds from the U.S. Department of the Treasury in the amount of \$28,570,165.60 for the first installments of the Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA2) Base and High Need programs		
09/14/2021	21-4931	Approval to accept an additional award allocation from the U.S. Department of the Treasury in the amount of \$42,855,248.40, with no required match, for the Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA2) Program		
08/02/2022	22-4600	Approval to apply to the U.S. Department of the Treasury for additional grant funds in the amount of \$24,000,000, with no required match, for the Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA2) Program		
10/25/2022	22-6921	Approval to accept an amendment to an agreement with the U.S. Department of the Treasury for grant funds in the amount of \$1,354,965.23, with no required match, for the Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA2) Program		
10/25/2022	22-6920	Approval to apply to the U.S. Department of the Treasury for additional grant funds in the amount of \$24,000,000 with no required match, for the Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA2) Program		

### Location:

Address (if applicable): Precinct(s): Countywide

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Service Name Emergency Renta	l Assistance		
	FY 23	FY 24	Next 3 FYs
Incremental Expenditures (do NOT w	rite values in thou	sands or millions	s)
Labor Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Non-Labor Expenditures	\$24,000,000	\$	\$
Total Incremental Expenditures	\$24,000,000	\$	\$
Funding Sources (do NOT write value	s in thousands or	millions)	•
Existing Budget			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Total Current Budget	\$	\$	\$
Additional Budget Requested			
Grant	\$24,000,000	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Total Additional Budget Requested	\$24,000,000	\$	\$
Total Funding Sources	\$24,000,000	\$	\$
Personnel (Fill out section only if reques	ting new PCNs)		
Current Position Count for Service	-	-	-
Additional Positions Requested	-	-	-
Total Personnel	-	-	-

**Anticipated Court Date: 01/31/2023** 

**Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date):** 

Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note: COVID-19 related item

Contact(s) name, title, department:

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Attachments (if applicable): Conveyance, Court Order, Email from U.S. Department of Treasury