

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor:  
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4 **ORDINANCE 2021-153-E**

5 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$6,011,963.00 IN  
6 EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT ("ESG") FUNDING FROM  
7 THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN  
8 DEVELOPMENT AUTHORIZED BY THE CORONAVIRUS AID,  
9 RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ("CARES") ACT TO  
10 BE USED TO PREVENT, PREPARE FOR, AND RESPOND  
11 TO THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC ("COVID-19") BY  
12 PROVIDING AID AND ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS  
13 AND FAMILIES WHO ARE HOMELESS OR RECEIVING  
14 HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION ASSISTANCE, AND TO  
15 SUPPORT ADDITIONAL HOMELESS ASSISTANCE AND  
16 HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION ACTIVITIES TO MITIGATE  
17 THE IMPACTS OF COVID-19, AS INITIATED BY B.T.  
18 21-045; INVOKING THE EXCEPTION OF SECTION  
19 126.107(G) (EXEMPTIONS), PART 1 (GENERAL  
20 REGULATIONS), CHAPTER 126, (PROCUREMENT CODE),  
21 *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO ALLOW FOR A DIRECT CONTRACT  
22 WITH CHANGING HOMELESSNESS, INC.; APPROVING  
23 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE,  
24 AND CORPORATION SECRETARY TO EXECUTE AND  
25 DELIVER ON BEHALF OF THE CITY AN AGREEMENT  
26 WITH CHANGING HOMELESSNESS, INC. FOR THE  
27 PROVISION OF SERVICES DESCRIBED IN THIS  
28 ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR OVERSIGHT BY THE  
29 HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION,  
30 NEIGHBORHOODS DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING FOR

1 COMPLIANCE WITH ALL CARES ACT GRANT FUNDING  
2 REQUIREMENTS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS AS  
3 PROVIDED BY LAW; REQUESTING EMERGENCY PASSAGE  
4 UPON INTRODUCTION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE  
5 DATE.

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7 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

8 **Section 1. Appropriation.** For the 2020-2021 fiscal year,  
9 within the City's budget, there are hereby appropriated the  
10 indicated sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to  
11 the account(s) listed in subsection (b):

12 (B.T. 21-045 attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein  
13 by this reference)

14 (a) Appropriated from:

15 See B.T. 21-045 \$6,011,963.00

16 (b) Appropriated to:

17 See B.T. 21-045 \$6,011,963.00

18 (c) Explanation of Appropriation:

19 The funding above is an appropriation of Emergency  
20 Solutions Grant funds in the amount of \$6,011,963.00 from  
21 the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development  
22 ("HUD") authorized by the CARES Act ("ESG-CV Funds"), of  
23 which \$5,715,000.00 will be disbursed to Changing  
24 Homelessness, Inc. for the provision of services  
25 described in this ordinance, and \$296,963.00 will be  
26 retained by the City to cover administrative costs  
27 incurred by the Housing and Community Development  
28 Division for program administration.

1           **Section 2.           Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in  
2 Section 1 is to provide aid and assistance to prevent, prepare for,  
3 and respond to COVID-19 among individuals and families who are  
4 homeless or receiving homelessness assistance, and to support  
5 additional homeless assistance and homelessness prevention  
6 activities to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19. The ESG-CV Funds  
7 will be used to provide rapid rehousing services, including  
8 acquisition of non-congregate shelter space (hotel rooms), and  
9 COVID-19 testing services for eligible recipients and for  
10 acquisition of shelter equipment and supplies. These funds may  
11 also be used to cover or reimburse allowable costs incurred by the  
12 City before the award of funding from HUD, including allowable  
13 costs incurred prior to the signing of the CARES Act. A copy of  
14 the HUD ESG-CV Funds award letter is attached hereto as **Exhibit 2**  
15 and incorporated herein by this reference.

16           **Section 3.           Invoking the exception to Section 126.107(g),**  
17 **Ordinance Code.** The City is hereby authorized to procure the use  
18 of the professional services of Changing Homelessness, Inc. ("CH,  
19 Inc.") to provide Emergency Solutions Grant Coronavirus assistance  
20 services as more particularly described in **Exhibit 3**, attached  
21 hereto and incorporated herein by this reference (the "ESG-CV  
22 Services"). Pursuant to Section 126.107(g) (Exemptions), Part 1  
23 (General Regulations), Chapter 126 (Procurement Code), *Ordinance*  
24 *Code*, such procurement is exempted from competitive solicitation  
25 because the supplies or services are to be provided by those  
26 specifically prescribed within authorizing legislation that  
27 appropriates the same. With the exception of the foregoing, all  
28 other provisions of Chapter 126, *Ordinance Code*, shall remain in  
29 full force and effect.

1           **Section 4. Authorizations.**           The Mayor, or his  
2           designee, and the Corporation Secretary are hereby authorized to  
3           execute and deliver on behalf of the City an agreement with  
4           Changing Homelessness, Inc. in an amount not to exceed  
5           \$5,715,000.00, subject to the Scope of Work and Program Budget more  
6           particularly described in Exhibit 3, and all other contracts and  
7           documents, including extensions, renewals and amendments to the  
8           agreement, and otherwise take all action necessary to effectuate  
9           the intent of this ordinance, subject to appropriate legal review  
10          and approval by the General Counsel, or his or her designee, and  
11          the City's Risk Management Division for appropriate insurance and  
12          indemnification requirements in accordance with Section 128.601,  
13          *Ordinance Code.*

14          **Section 5. Oversight department.**           The Housing and  
15          Community Development Division, Neighborhoods Department shall  
16          provide oversight of expenditure of the ESG-CV Funds and the ESG-CV  
17          Services to be provided by CH, Inc.

18          **Section 6. Compliance with applicable CARES Act grant**  
19          **requirements.** CH, Inc. will comply with all CARES Act grant  
20          requirements in providing the ESG-CV Services and all other  
21          requirements provided by law including, but not limited to, the  
22          audit requirements attached hereto as **Exhibit 4** and incorporated  
23          herein by this reference.

24          **Section 7. Requesting emergency passage upon introduction**  
25          **pursuant to Council Rule 4.901.**           Emergency passage of this  
26          legislation is requested upon introduction. The nature of the  
27          emergency is that the negative economic impacts of COVID-19 are  
28          ongoing and immediate assistance is needed to ensure eligible

1 individuals and families have access to shelter, COVID-19 testing,  
2 and other homelessness prevention services.

3           **Section 8.           Effective Date.**   This ordinance shall become  
4 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
5 without the Mayor's signature.

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Office of General Counsel

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