

# Emergency Rental Assistance/Eviction Prevention Program

## *2026 Budget Amendment*



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## Budget Recap

- \$1 million allocated to ERA program in 2025
- Program implementation delays to ensure automated payment options available and cyber security incident
- Program launched in November 2025
- 2026 Budget approved in December 2025 provided \$1,380,000 from LAHA for ongoing programming
- An additional \$2,500 was also authorized from PED Operations to provide administrative support
- Finally, financial support was provided to support 1FTE at Project Manager level



## 2026 BUDGET AMENDMENT PROGRAM PLAN & IMPACT SUMMARY

Source of Funds	Amount	%	Notes
Local Affordable Housing Aid (LAHA)	1,380,000	49.13%	Restricted funds received annually with spending deadlines.
Housing Admin from PED Operations	2,500	0.09%	Admin (including staffing not projected here) cannot be billed to LAHA
		0.00%	1 Project Manager FTE added to support program
		0.00%	
<b>2026 BUDGET AMENDMENT</b>			
Local Affordable Housing Aid (LAHA)	500,000	17.80%	<b>AO 26-14</b>
* HRA Housing Trust Fund (Xfer to PED Operations)	926,220	32.98%	<b>RES 26-331</b>
2026 Staffing Utilization (1PM and 1 admin/acct FTE)		0.00%	<b>RES 26-334</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>\$152,249</b></span>
2027-2029 Staffing Utilization (TBD)		0.00%	<b>Balance held in PED Operations designated for ERA Staffing \$773,971</b>
<b>Total Available</b>	<b>2,808,720.00</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	

\*Existing amendment allows flexible use of the transfer to PED Operations specifically designated for staffing.



## STAFFING OPTIONS SUPPORTED

- Reallocation for staffing will effectively support various options currently under consideration:
  - Continuing to operate under the current structure
  - Splitting the funds evenly over 12 months
  - Partnership with external entities (county, non-profit, etc.)



# Questions?

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