

**DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT – HOUSING AND URBAN
DEVELOPMENT, HOMELESS PREVENTION AND RAPID RE-HOUSING - \$3,130,746**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

HUD has awarded a direct formula allocation of \$3,130,746 of Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing (HPRP) funds to the City of Fresno based on its annual receipt of Federal McKinney-Vento funds through the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) Program. Funds are intended to prevent homelessness, assist persons that are homeless, assist persons threatened with homelessness and rapidly re-house persons who are homeless, through diversion away from the emergency shelter system.

City of Fresno staff is coordinating efforts with its agency partners to identify a plan of action to deliver homeless prevention and rapid re-housing programs under HPRP. The City will open a joint competitive process with the County of Fresno for HPRP sub-grantee applications in June 2009. Selection and appropriation of HPRP funds will occur in July 2009. Implementation and administration of HPRP activities will commence August/September 2009. Substantial amendments to integrate sub-grantees into the action plan will be completed and submitted to HUD by September 30, 2009. Programs to be funded through HPRP include: **1)** short and medium term financial assistance, up to 3 months and 18 months, respectively; **2)** utility payment assistance; **3)** moving costs; and **4)** hotel/motel vouchers, for up to 30 days, if no appropriate shelter beds and rental housing can be identified. Additionally, case management services will include: direct outreach, housing and placement assistance, legal services and intervention, credit repair and protective payee services or linkages to mainstream supportive services.

Bidding opportunities will be posted online when available.