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Message:

Greetings ESG-CV Program Staff,

As we continue to close out the Emergency Solutions Grant – COVID 19 program, our team is working on collecting all necessary documentation to meet the Department of Housing and Urban Development requirements. All grantees **must** complete the attached Habitability Standards Checklist and return to <u>HSD.HomelessServices@hcs.oregon.gov</u> by no later than the end of the day **Monday, April 8st, 2024.** Please note that we are providing a Word document and PDF version of the same form, please only complete one version.

A description of the Habitability Standards and the corresponding checklist have been attached to this email and can also be found on the HUD website at the link <u>here</u>.

For reference, below is an excerpt from ESG CFRs:

The Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program interim rule, at 24 CFR 576.403, establishes minimum standards for safety, sanitation, and privacy in emergency shelters funded with ESG, and minimum habitability standards for permanent housing funded under the Rapid Re-housing and Homelessness Prevention components of ESG. This document explains when the minimum standards apply. Note: This document does not describe how to conduct an inspection, nor does it address the lead-based paint requirements, which can be found at 24 CFR part 35.

Accompanying the habitability standards are checklists, which offer an optional format for documenting compliance with the appropriate standards.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out immediately. Failure to provide a copy of the Habitability Standards checklist may cause your organization to be out of compliance. Thank you all for your continued efforts in ensuring all HUD guidelines are met.

For More Information Contact:

Email: HSD.HomelessServices@hcs.oregon.gov

Full link: <u>https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/3766/esg-minimum-habitability-standards-for-emergency-shelters-and-permanent-housing/</u>