



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

for

EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

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June 2, 2023

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) to amend an existing **sole source** agreement with New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority (VC #177292), Concord, NH for the provision of housing stability and related services for displaced households and landlords, as well as related technical assistance and support, by extending the completion date from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024, with no change to the price limitation, effective upon Governor and Council approval. The original contract was approved by Governor and Council on December 21, 2022, item #64E. This is an allowable use under the Emergency Rental Assistance program established by Section 3201 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ERA2). **100% Federal Funds.**

EXPLANATION

This request would enable GOFERR to amend its **sole source** agreement with the New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority (CDFA) to continue beyond the current agreement end date of June 30, 2023, the Displaced Households/Landlord Incentive Program, funded as part of the New Hampshire Emergency Rental Assistance Program (NHERAP), as well as continue and bolster related community mapping, technical assistance, and support. The funding for this program (described in more detail below) was previously authorized but funding is anticipated to remain as of June 30. This no-cost extension would enable CDFA to continue the program until that remaining funding is exhausted.

The Displaced Households/Landlord Incentive Program administered by CDFA is a community-based program that provides intensive case management for displaced households and landlord outreach and incentives, including:

- Intensive case management that includes a system navigator that helps households access and apply for assistance and social service programs in their communities;
- Landlord outreach and education initiatives;
- Funds for landlords entering into leases with households experiencing homelessness or do not meet tenant selection criteria; and
- Advancing community mapping solutions for hard to house households, advancing technical solutions and training to providers to allow better service coordination for these households, and coordinate/assess the program to help create a long term, statewide, sustainable solution.

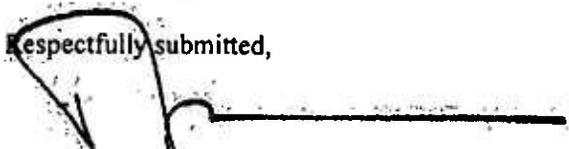
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Through this program, CDFA and its vendors will continue to assist NHERAP eligible households struggling to remain in stable housing, or those who are not currently stably housed, by working directly with the tenant/prospective tenant and landlords. This program supports the Council on Housing Stability's goal to ensure that homelessness is rare, brief and one-time, and recognizes the need for targeted supports for individuals to access permanent housing and assistance for landlords to become part of the solution. NHERAP and supportive services like this program through CDFA are supported by federal funds made available pursuant to ERA2.

In the event that Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,



Taylor Caswell
Executive Director, GOFERR

**Amendment to Subaward between the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and the
Community Development Finance Authority**

The State of New Hampshire Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (hereinafter "GOFERR") and the Community Development Finance Authority (hereinafter "Grantee") hereby mutually agree to a no-cost amendment to the subaward for ERA2 Housing Stability Services, Displaced Households/Landlord Incentive Program. This subaward was previously approved by Governor and Council on December 21, 2022. This amendment is to extend the Grant Agreement term by 12 months, from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

This amendment is being made pursuant to Section 18 of the Grant Agreement, regarding the procedures for amending the subaward.

Wherefore, the Grant Agreement is amended as follows:

1. Amend Section 1.7 (page 1) of the Grant Agreement by extending the Completion Date from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024.
2. Amend Exhibit A, paragraph 6 to change the date from "June 30, 2023" to "June 30, 2024."
3. Amend Exhibit C, paragraph 6, subparagraph 26 by removing the existing text and replacing with the following:

26. CLOSE OUT OF CONTRACT. By July 31, 2024 Grantee shall submit a final report electronically to the GOFERR grant officer or other GOFERR designated individual by e-mail or other electronic means subsequently designated by GOFERR of the uses of the grant funds through June 30, 2024. In the event that the Grantee has not demonstrated that the grant funds have not been expended for allowable costs of at least the amount of this grant, the excess grant funds shall be returned with the final report to GOFERR, by check payable to Treasurer, State of New Hampshire. This final report is not the same as the data and information required to be provided by the Grantee for quarterly federal reporting purposes, which is due within 12 days of the close of the quarter.
4. Amend the period covered by the certification in Exhibit D (bottom of page 14) from "10/1/2022 — 6/30/2023" to "10/1/2022 — 6/30/2024."
5. Amend Exhibit E of the Grant Agreement to change the Contract Period from "10/1/2022 — 6/30/2023" to "10/1/2022 — 6/30/2024."
6. All other provisions of the Grant Agreement shall remain the same.

Notwithstanding this amendment, Grantee is aware that funding beyond June 30, 2023 is contingent upon the availability or continued appropriation of funds beyond that date, as set forth in Section 8 of the Grant Agreement. In no event shall GOFERR be liable for any payments in

excess of such available or appropriated funds.

Dated: 6/2/2023



Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery

Dated: 6/2/2023



Community Development Finance Authority

Katherine Easterly Martey

Approved: *Sheri Phillips*
Department of Justice

Date: 6/2/2023

Approved _____
Governor and Executive Council

Date: _____

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

I, Cynthia Harrington, hereby certify that:

1. I am a duly elected Clerk/Secretary/Officer of New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority.
2. The following is a true copy of a vote taken at a meeting of the Board of Directors/shareholders, duly called and held on September 13, 2022, at which a quorum of the Directors/shareholders were present and voting.

VOTED: That Katherine Easterly Martey, Executive Director

is duly authorized on behalf of New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority to enter into contracts or agreements with the State of New Hampshire and any of its agencies or departments and further is authorized to execute any and all documents, agreements and other instruments, and any amendments, revisions, or modifications thereto, which may in his/her judgment be desirable or necessary to effect the purpose of this vote.

3. I hereby certify that said vote has not been amended or repealed and remains in full force and effect as of the date of the contract/contract amendment to which this certificate is attached. This authority **remains valid for thirty (30) days** from the date of this Certificate of Authority. I further certify that it is understood that the State of New Hampshire will rely on this certificate as evidence that the person(s) listed above currently occupy the position(s) indicated and that they have full authority to bind the corporation. To the extent that there are any limits on the authority of any listed individual to bind the corporation in contracts with the State of New Hampshire, all such limitations are expressly stated herein.

Dated: June 2, 2023



Signature of Elected Officer
Name: Cynthia Harrington
Title: Chairman, Board of Directors



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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

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EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

December 12, 2022

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
And the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) to enter into a sole source agreement with New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority (VC #177292), Concord, NH in the amount of \$1,250,000 for the provision of housing stability and related services for displaced households and landlords, as well as related technical assistance and support, effective upon Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2023. This is an allowable use under the Emergency Rental Assistance program established by Section 3201 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ERA2). 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available in Fiscal Year 2023 as follows:

01-02-002-020210-Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery,
24310000- ARP Rental Assistance Fund

072 - 500575 Grants Federal

FY2023
\$1,250,000

EXPLANATION

This request would enable GOFERR to enter into a sole source agreement with the New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority (CDFA) to continue and expand the Displaced Households/Landlord Incentive Program pilot previously funded as part of the New Hampshire Emergency Rental Assistance Program (NHERAP) with ERA1 funds, as well as continue and bolster related community mapping, technical assistance, and support. Pursuant to an accept and expend of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Emergency Rental Assistance funds (ERA2) and this request, GOFERR will enter into this agreement funding the expanded program with ERA2 funds moving forward.

The Displaced Households/Landlord Incentive Program will continue to be administered by CDFA. This is a community-based program that provides intensive case management for displaced households and landlord outreach and incentives, including:

- Intensive case management that includes a system navigator that helps households access and apply for assistance and social service programs in their communities;
- Landlord outreach and education initiatives;

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- Funds for landlords entering into leases with households experiencing homelessness or do not meet tenant selection criteria; and
- Advancing community mapping solutions for hard to house households, advancing technical solutions and training to providers to allow better service coordination for these households, and coordinate/assess the program to help create a long term, statewide, sustainable solution.

Through this program, CDFA and its vendors will continue to assist NHERAP eligible households struggling to remain in stable housing, or those who are not currently stably housed, by working directly with the tenant/prospective tenant and landlords. This program supports the Council on Housing Stability's goal to ensure that homelessness is rare, brief and one-time, and recognizes the need for targeted supports for individuals to access permanent housing and assistance for landlords to become part of the solution.

As background, NHERAP has been supported by federal funds made available pursuant to ERA2 as well as Section 501(a) of Division N of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 (ERA1). ERA2 provides the same financial assistance provided under ERA1 for a greater number of households and longer period of time. This funding supports NHERAP, which provides financial assistance and Housing Stability Services to eligible households, including the payment of (i) rent, (ii) rental arrears, (iii) utilities and home energy costs, (iv) utilities and home energy costs arrears, and (v) other expenses related to housing.

In the event that Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully Submitted,



Chase Hagaman
Deputy Director, GOFERR

GOFERR EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE FUND

Grant Agreement
(Sub-award Template)

The State of New Hampshire and the Grantee hereby mutually agree as follows:

1. GENERAL PROVISIONS: IDENTIFICATION.

1.1. State Agency Name: Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery

1.2. State Agency Address: 1 Eagle Square, Concord, NH

1.3. Grantee Name: Community Development Finance Authority

1.4. Grantee Address: 14 Dixon Ave. Concord, NH 03301

1.5 Grantee Telephone Number: 603-226-2170

1.6. State Vendor Number: 177292

1.7. Completion Date: June 30, 2023

1.8. Grant Amount not to exceed: \$1,250,000.00

1.9. Grant Officer for State Agency: Lisa Cota-Robles

1.10. State Agency Telephone Number: (603) 271-7964

1.11. Grantee Signature: Designated Signing Authority

Katherine Eastroy Mator Date: 12/9/2022
Signature
Print Name: Katherine Eastroy Mator Title: Executive Director

1.12. State of New Hampshire Signature:

Chase Hagaman Date: 12/12/2022
Signature
Print Name: Chase Hagaman Title: Deputy Director

1.13. Approved as to form substance and execution NH Department of Justice:

Shari Phillips Date: 12/12/2022
Signature
Print Name: Shari Phillips Title: Assistant Attorney General

1.14. Approved by NH Governor and Council: _____ Date: _____

2. SCOPE OF ALLOWABLE USE OF FUNDS: In exchange for grant funds from the State under the Emergency Rental Assistance fund established by Section 3201 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Pub. L. No. 117-2 (March 11, 2021) (hereinafter referred to as "Section 3201") provided by and subject to the terms of the award from the United States Department of Treasury, CFDA number 21.023, FAIN Nos. ERAE0119, to the State of New Hampshire, acting through the Agency identified in Paragraph 1.1 (hereinafter referred to as "GOFERR"), the Grantee identified in Paragraph 1.3 (hereinafter referred to as "the Grantee"), agrees and covenants that the funds will be used solely for an allowable purpose as defined in Section 3201, for which Grantee has not received payment or reimbursement from any other source, to continue and expand the Displaced Households/Landlord Incentive Program, to provide intensive case management for displaced households, as well as landlord outreach, education, and incentives.

The allowable purposes and use of funds are more specifically described in EXHIBIT A.

3. EFFECTIVE DATE: COMPLETION OF GRANT.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, and subject to the approval of the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire, if applicable, this Agreement, and all obligations of the parties hereunder, shall become effective on the date the Governor and Executive Council approve this Agreement as indicated in paragraph 1.14, unless no such approval is required, in which case the Agreement shall become effective on the date the Agreement is signed by the State Agency as shown in block 1.12 ("Effective Date"). If the Grantee commences the Services prior to the Effective Date, all Services performed by the Grantee prior to the Effective Date shall be performed at the sole risk of the Grantee, and in the event that this Agreement does not become effective, GOFERR shall have no liability to the Grantee, including without limitation, any obligation to pay the Grantee for any costs incurred or Services performed. Grantee must complete all Services by the Completion Date specified in paragraph 1.7.

4. GRANT AMOUNT: LIMITATION ON AMOUNT: VOUCHERS: PAYMENT.

The Grant Amount is identified in paragraph 1.8 and is more particularly described in EXHIBIT B, attached hereto. The manner of, and schedule of payment shall be as set forth in EXHIBIT B.

In accordance with the provisions set forth in EXHIBIT B, and in consideration of the satisfactory performance of the Grant, as determined by the GOFERR, the GOFERR shall pay the Grantee the Grant Amount.

The payment by the GOFERR of the Grant amount shall be the only, and the complete payment to the Grantee for all expenses, of whatever nature, incurred by the Grantee and claimed as allowable expenses under this Agreement. To the extent that the Grant amount does not cover all of the Grantee's allowable expenses, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to limit the Grantee's ability to pursue other state or federal funding that may be available. However, under this Agreement, the GOFERR shall have no liabilities to the Grantee other than the Grant Amount.

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, and notwithstanding unexpected circumstances, in no event shall the total of all payments authorized, or actually made, hereunder exceed the Grant limitation set forth in Paragraph 1.8 of these general provisions.

5. COMPLIANCE BY GRANTEE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS. In connection with the performance of the Grant, the Grantee shall comply with all statutes, laws, regulations, and orders of federal, State, county, or municipal authorities which shall impose any obligations or duty upon the Grantee, including the acquisition of any and all necessary permits.

6. RECORDS AND ACCOUNTS.

Between the Effective Date and the date five (5) years after the Completion Date, the Grantee shall keep detailed accounts of all expenses incurred in connection with the Grant, including, but not limited to, costs of administration, transportation, insurance, telephone calls, and clerical materials and services. Such accounts shall be supported by receipts, invoices, bills and other similar documents.

Between the Effective Date and the date five (5) years after the Completion Date, at any time during the Grantee's normal business hours, and as often as the GOFERR, the U.S. Department of Treasury or OMB shall demand, the Grantee shall make available to the GOFERR, the U.S. Department of Treasury or OMB all records pertaining to matters covered by this Agreement. The Grantee shall permit the GOFERR, the U.S. Department of Treasury or OMB to audit, examine, and reproduce such records, and to make audits of all contracts, invoices, materials, payrolls, personnel records, data, and other information relating to all matters covered by this Agreement. As used in this paragraph, "Grantee" includes all persons, natural or fictional, affiliated with, controlled by, or under common ownership with, the entity identified as the Grantee in Paragraph 1.3 of these provisions.

7. PERSONNEL.

The Grantee shall, at its own expense, provide all personnel necessary to perform the Grant. The Grantee warrants that all personnel engaged in the Grant shall be qualified to perform such Grant, and shall be properly licensed and authorized to perform such Grant under all applicable laws. Grantee shall comply with all State and federal personnel and labor laws applicable to its employees.

The Grant Officer shall be the representative of the GOFERR hereunder. In the event of any dispute hereunder, the interpretation of this Agreement by the Grant Officer, and his/her decision on any dispute, shall be final.

8. CONDITIONAL NATURE OF AGREEMENT. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, all obligations of the GOFERR hereunder, including, without limitation, the continuance of payments hereunder, are contingent upon the availability or continued appropriation of funds, and in no event shall the GOFERR be liable for any payments hereunder in excess of such available or appropriated funds. In the event of a reduction or termination of those funds, the GOFERR shall have the right to withhold payment until such funds become available, if ever, and shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately upon giving the Grantee notice of such termination.

9. EVENT OF DEFAULT: REMEDIES.

Any one or more of the following acts or omissions of the Grantee shall constitute an event of default hereunder (hereinafter referred to as "Events of Default"):

Failure to perform the Grant satisfactorily or on schedule;

Failure to submit any report required hereunder;

Failure to maintain, or permit access to, the records required hereunder; or

Failure to perform any of the other covenants and conditions of this Agreement.

Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, the GOFERR may take any one, or more, or all, of the following actions:

Give the Grantee a written notice specifying the Event of Default and requiring it to be remedied within, in the absence of a greater or lesser specification of time, thirty (30) days from the date of the notice; and if the Event of Default is not timely remedied, terminate this Agreement, effective two (2) days after giving the Grantee notice of termination; and

Give the Grantee a written notice specifying the Event of Default and suspending all payments to be made under this Agreement and ordering that the portion of the Grant Amount which would otherwise accrue to the Grantee during the period from the date of such notice until such time as the GOFERR determines that the Grantee has cured the Event of Default shall never be paid to the Grantee;

Set off against any other obligation the GOFERR may owe to the Grantee any damages the GOFERR suffers by reason of any Event of Default;

Recoup from the Grantee, including by withholding any other payment of funds that becomes due to Grantee from the GOFERR, any payments under this Agreement that have been used in a manner contrary to the terms of this Agreement or Section 3201; and/or

Treat the Agreement as breached and pursue any of its remedies at law or in equity, or both.

10. TERMINATION.

In the event of any early termination of this Agreement for any reason other than the completion of the Grant, the Grantee shall deliver to the Grant Officer, not later than fifteen (15) days after the date of termination, a report (hereinafter referred to as the "Termination Report") describing in detail all Grant expenses reimbursed, and the Grant Amount earned, to and including the date of termination.

In the event of Termination under paragraph 9 of these general provisions, the approval of such a Termination Report by the GOFERR shall entitle the Grantee to retain the portion of the Grant amount earned up to and including the date of termination.

The approval of such a Termination Report by the GOFERR shall in no event relieve the Grantee from any and all liability for damages sustained or incurred by the GOFERR as a result of the Grantee's breach of its obligations hereunder.

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, either the GOFERR or, except where notice default has been given to the Grantee hereunder, the Grantee, may terminate this Agreement without cause upon thirty (30) days written notice.

11. CONFLICT OF INTEREST. No officer, member or employee of the Grantee, and no representative, officer or employee of the State of New Hampshire or of the governing body of the locality or localities in which the Grant is to be performed, who exercises any functions or responsibilities in the review or approval of the undertaking or carrying out of such Grant, shall participate in any decision relating to this Agreement or the proceeds thereof which affects his or her personal or pecuniary interest or the interest of any corporation, partnership, or association in which he or she is directly or indirectly interested.

12. GRANTEE'S RELATION TO THE GOFERR. In the performance of this Agreement the Grantee, its employees, and any subcontractor or subgrantee of the Grantee are in all respects independent contractors, and are neither agents nor employees of the GOFERR. Neither the Grantee nor any of its officers, employees, agents, members, subcontractors or subgrantees, shall have authority to bind the GOFERR nor are they entitled to any of the benefits, workmen's compensation or emoluments provided by the GOFERR to its employees.

13. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTS. The Grantee shall not assign, or otherwise transfer any interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the GOFERR.

14. INDEMNIFICATION. The Grantee shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the GOFERR, its officers and employees, from and against any and all losses suffered by the GOFERR, its officers and employees, and any and all claims, liabilities or penalties asserted against the GOFERR, its officers and employees, by or on behalf of any person, on account of, based on, resulting from, arising out of (or which may be claimed to arise out of) the acts or omissions of the Grantee or subcontractor, or subgrantee or other agent of the Grantee. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein contained shall be deemed to constitute a waiver of the sovereign immunity of the GOFERR or the State of New Hampshire, which immunity is hereby reserved to the GOFERR and the State of New Hampshire. This covenant shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

15. INSURANCE AND BOND.

The Grantee shall, at its own expense, obtain and maintain in force, the following insurance: Statutory workmen's compensation and professional liability insurance for all employees engaged in the performance of the Grant; and Comprehensive public liability insurance against all claims of bodily injuries, death or property damage, in amounts not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate for bodily injury or death in any one incident, and \$500,000 for property damage in any one incident; and

The policies shall be the standard form employed in the State of New Hampshire, issued by underwriters acceptable to the State and authorized to do business in the State of New Hampshire.

16. WAIVER OF BREACH. No failure by the GOFERR to enforce any provisions hereof after any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of its rights with regard to that Event, or any subsequent Event. No express waiver of any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of any provisions hereof. No such failure of waiver shall be deemed a waiver of the right of the GOFERR to enforce each and all of the provisions hereof upon any further or other default on the part of the Grantee.

17. NOTICE. Any notice by a party hereto to the other party shall be deemed to have been duly delivered or given at the time of mailing by certified mail, postage prepaid, by United States Mail, addressed to the parties at the addresses first above given.

18. AMENDMENT.

This Agreement may be amended, waived or discharged only by an instrument in writing signed by the parties hereto and only after approval of such amendment, waiver or discharge by the State's Joint Legislative Fiscal Committee if required, or the Governor and Council of the State of New Hampshire if required, or by the signing State Agency.

19. CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT AND TERMS. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the law of the State of New Hampshire, and is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assignees. The captions are used only as a matter of convenience, and are not to be considered a part of this Agreement or to be used in determining the intent of the parties hereto.

20. THIRD PARTIES. The parties hereto do not intend to benefit any third parties and this Agreement shall not be construed to confer any such benefit.

21. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement, which may be executed in a number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the parties, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings relating hereto.

22. SPECIAL PROVISIONS. The additional provisions set forth in EXHIBIT C hereto are incorporated as part of this Agreement.

GRANT AGREEMENT EXHIBIT A

Scope of ERA2 Housing Stability Services

1. Community Development Finance Authority, Grantee, agrees and covenants that the funds will be used solely for an allowable purpose as defined in in the Emergency Rental Assistance fund established by Section 3201 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Pub. L. No. 117-2 (March 11, 2021) (hereinafter referred to as "Section 3201"), for which Grantee has not received payment or reimbursement from any other source.

2. **Services to Be Provided:** Grantee will use the grant funds to continue and expand the Displaced Household/Landlord Incentive Program pilot program, which was previously funded as part of the New Hampshire Emergency Rental Assistance Program (NHERAP) with ERA 1 funds and is being expanded with ERA 2 and this grant agreement. The pilot program was facilitated by an MOU between CDFA and the Department of Health and Human Services approved by Governor and Council on November 22, 2021.

Grantee shall be responsible for continuing to facilitate the Displaced Households/Landlord Incentive Program, which also advances services that support three objectives of the New Hampshire Council on Housing Stability, specifically: (1) coordinate a Person-Centered Response System; (2) improve housing stability focused on those at risk of homelessness; and (3) deploy targeted financial incentives to promote private-market housing production and use of existing structures for rental housing that is affordable to the lowest incomes and households in need of ongoing community support. The following services shall be provided:

- Intensive case management that includes a system navigator that helps households access and apply for assistance and social service programs in their communities;
- Landlord outreach and education initiatives;
- Funds for landlords entering into leases with households experiencing homelessness or do not meet tenant selection criteria;
- Advancing community mapping and other technical solutions and training to advance and improve service for targeted households;
- Coordinate/assess the program to help create a long term, statewide, sustainable solution; and
- Direct technical assistance by staff to advance and coordinate these objectives.

In order to meet the expectation of expanding the program by June 30, 2023, Grantee began working on this program on October 1, 2022. Therefore, Grantee may invoice for expenses retroactive to October 1, 2022, as further detailed in Exhibit B below.

3. To the extent that Grantee is making sub-awards from this award, Grantee shall develop and use a template for sub-awards that will be subject to review and approval by GOFERR before use to ensure that sub-awards contain adequate provisions that the funds can only be used for allowable costs under Section 3201 and compliance with 2 C.F.R. 200.331 – 200.333 requirements. All sub-awards must be reviewed and approved by GOFERR.

4. **Reporting:** Grantee shall submit quarterly reports electronically to the GOFERR grant officer by email or other electronic means subsequently designated by GOFERR to ensure timely program administration and assistance, including data needed to comply with federal laws, regulations, and guidance. Such reports shall include at least expenses and costs related to the Displaced Household/Landlord Incentive Program for which the grant funds have been used, a narrative status update on the program, and additional data and information as required by U.S. Treasury. Grantee shall provide such reports within 12 days of the close of each quarter.

5. **Record Retention:** Between the Effective Date and the date five (5) years after the Completion Date the Grantee shall keep, or require to be kept by sub-recipients, detailed records of all services performed in connection with the Grant including all applications for assistance, supporting documents for recommendations and notices of awards. At any time during the Grantee's normal business hours, and as often as the GOFERR, the U.S. Department of Treasury or OMB shall demand, the Grantee shall make available to the GOFERR, the U.S. Department of Treasury or OMB all records pertaining to matters covered by this Contract. The Grantee shall permit the GOFERR, the U.S. Department of Treasury or OMB to audit, examine, and reproduce such records, and to make audits of all contracts, invoices, materials, payrolls, records of personnel, data, and other information relating to all matters covered by this Grant. As used in this paragraph, "Grantee" includes all persons, natural or fictional, affiliated with, controlled by, or under common ownership with, the entity identified as the Grantee.

6. Except as specifically provided by GOFERR in writing, in no event can reimbursement be made for the Displaced Household/Landlord Incentive Program expenses incurred beyond June 30, 2023.

7. **Administrative Expenses:** Grantee shall provide a proposed budget for administrative expenses, which may include direct and indirect costs as allowed by 2 CFR 200, Subpart E, Cost Principles. Such costs shall not exceed 8.5% of the total budget.

8. **Unique entity identifier and System for Award Management (SAM)—Required.** Grantee must (i) Be registered in SAM; (ii) provide a valid unique entity identifier; and (iii) continue to maintain an active SAM registration with current information at all times during which it has an active Federal award or an application or plan under consideration by a Federal awarding agency. EXHIBIT I and J should be returned completed with the executed Grant Agreement, and must be received completed before any disbursement can be made. This requirement must be passed through to sub-recipients.

9. The U.S. Treasury guidance on allowable uses of Emergency Rental Assistance Funds and U.S. Treasury Answers to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) regarding allowable uses of Emergency Rental Assistance Funds are incorporated herein and made part of this Agreement as if set forth in full.

The U.S. Treasury may issue subsequent or further guidance on allowable uses of Emergency Rental Assistance Funds. All such changes shall be considered as incorporated into this Agreement.

11. Grantee agrees to establish data privacy and security requirements as required by Section 501(g)(4).

12. Statutes and regulations prohibiting discrimination applicable to this Agreement, include, without limitation, the following:

i. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d et seq.) and Treasury's implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 22, which prohibit discrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin under programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance;

ii. The Fair Housing Act, Title VIII-IX of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. § 3601 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, familial status, or disability;

iii. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. § 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap under any program or activity receiving or benefitting from federal assistance;

iv. The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 6101 et seq.) and Treasury's implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 23, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance; and

v. The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability under programs, activities, and services provided or made available by state and local governments or instrumentalities or agencies thereto.

13. Publications: Any publications produced with funds from this award must display the following language: "This project [is being] [was] supported, in whole or in part by, federal award numbers ERA0012 and ERA0435 awarded to the State of New Hampshire by the U.S. Department of the Treasury."

GRANT AGREEMENT EXHIBIT B

Methods and Conditions of Payment

Grantees must register with the Department of Administrative Services for a State of New Hampshire vendor number (see page 1, para 1.6) in order for a payment to be issued. Registration can be done online at [https://das.nh.gov/purchasing/vendorregistration/\(S\(5wm5gw45ho4qvr55aww2o955\)\)/welcome.aspx](https://das.nh.gov/purchasing/vendorregistration/(S(5wm5gw45ho4qvr55aww2o955))/welcome.aspx). Payment will be by check or ACH, depending on the vendor registration.

1. GOFERR will pay the Grantee, up to the sum of ~~\$1,250,000.00~~ (the Grant Amount) for expenses incurred to support the Displaced Household/Landlord Incentive Program as more fully described in Exhibit A.

2. As stated in Exhibit A, paragraph 7 above, the administrative costs for the Grantee, not to exceed 8.5%, is included in the total for the program.

3. Payment shall be made on a reimbursement basis. Grantee shall submit quarterly invoices for services completed up to the end of the quarter by the 15th of the following month. Grantee may invoice GOFERR for retroactive expenses from October 1, 2022 on. Quarterly invoices shall be submitted electronically to: Lisa Cota Robles at GOFERR, lisa.m.cota-robles-G@goferr.nh.gov and Tom Broderick, Thomas.R.Broderick-G@goferr.nh.gov.

3. Grantee shall return any unexpended funds within 30 days of the Completion Date.

4. The budget for the program shall be as follows:

\$800,000 subcontracted by the sub awardee to facilitate the following services , with a target of serving at least 55 displaced or households at risk of displacement:

Intensive case management that includes a system navigator that helps households access and apply for assistance and social service programs in their communities;

Landlord outreach and education initiatives;

Funds for landlords entering into leases with households experiencing homelessness or do not meet tenant selection criteria;

\$216,250 subcontracted by the sub awardee for the following services:

Advancing community mapping and other technical solutions and training to advance and improve service for targeted households

\$147,356 to be used by the sub awardee and documented in accordance with the contract and 2 CFR 200 standards to provide direct technical assistance by staff of the subaward to advance and coordinate these objectives.

\$86,381 (of 8.5% of award) for administrative and overhead costs by the awardee.

5. Changes to the above budget within the grant amount can be made with written approval of the GOFERR State Contracting Officer.

GRANT AGREEMENT EXHIBIT C

Special Provisions

1. Fund payments are largely subject to the requirements of the Uniform Guidance (2 C.F.R. Part 200). Grantee shall refer to the Assistance Listing for details on the specific provisions of the Uniform Guidance that do not apply, which is available on beta.SAM.gov. The applicable provisions of 2 C.F.R. Part 200 as amended are considered legally binding and enforceable documents under this contract. The GOFERR reserves the right to use any legal remedy at its disposal including, but not limited to, disallowance of costs or withholding of funds.
2. To the extent required to comply with 2 CFR 200, Subpart F - Audit Requirements, Grantee shall complete an audit at the end of the Grantee's fiscal year when the award was spent.

The audit report shall include a schedule of prior year's questioned costs along with a response to the current status of the prior year's questioned costs. Copies of all management letters written as a result of the audit along with the audit report shall be forwarded to GOFERR within one month of the time of receipt by the Grantee accompanied by an action plan, if applicable, for each finding or questioned cost.

3. The costs charged under this contract shall be determined as allowable under the cost principles detailed in 2 CFR 200 Subpart E - Cost Principles.
4. Program and financial records pertaining to this contract shall be retained by the Grantee for 5 (five) years from the date of submission of the final expenditure report as per requirements from the Treasury Office of Inspector General.
5. This award is not a grant for research and development as defined in 2 CFR 200.1.
6. The following paragraphs shall be added to the general provisions:

"23. **RESTRICTION ON ADDITIONAL FUNDING.** It is understood and agreed between the parties that no portion of the "Grant" funds may be used for the purpose of obtaining additional Federal funds under any other law of the United States, except if authorized under that law."

"24. **ASSURANCES/CERTIFICATIONS.** The following are attached and signed: Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements; Certification Regarding Lobbying; Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; Certification Regarding the Americans With Disabilities Act Compliance; Certification Regarding Environmental Tobacco Smoke; Assurance of Compliance Nondiscrimination in Federally Assisted Programs; and Certification Regarding the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Compliance."

"25. **COPELAND ANTI-KICKBACK ACT.** All contracts in excess of \$2,000.00 for construction or repair using funds under this grant shall include a provision for compliance with Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (18 USC 874) as supplemented in Department of Labor Regulations (29 CFR, Part 3). This Act provides that each Grantee, subcontractor or subgrantee shall be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he is otherwise entitled. The Grantee should report all suspected violations to GOFERR."

"26. CLOSE OUT OF CONTRACT. By July 31, 2023 Grantee shall submit a final report electronically to the GOFERR grant officer or other GOFERR designated individual by e-mail or other electronic means subsequently designated by GOFERR of the uses of the grant funds through June 30, 2023. In the event that the Grantee has not demonstrated that the grant funds have not been expended for allowable costs of at least the amount of this grant, the excess grant funds shall be returned with the final report to GOFERR, by check payable to Treasurer, State of New Hampshire. This final report is not the same as the data and information required to be provided by the Grantee for quarterly federal reporting purposes, which is due within 12 days of the close of the quarter.

GRANT AGREEMENT EXHIBIT D

Drug-Free Workplace

The Grantee identified in Section 1.3 of the General Provisions agrees to comply with the provisions of Sections 5151-5160 of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (Pub. L. 100-690, Title V, Subtitle D; 41 U.S.C. 701 et seq.), and further agrees to have the Grantee's representative, as identified in Sections 1.11 of the General Provisions execute the following Certification:

Certification Regarding Drug Free Workplace

This certification is required by the regulations implementing Sections 5151-5160 of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (Pub. L. 100-690, Title V, Subtitle D; 41 U.S.C. 701 et seq.). The January 31, 1989, regulations were amended and published as Part II of the May 25, 1990, Federal Register (pages 21681-21691), and require certification by grantees (and by inference, sub-grantees and sub-Grantees), prior to award, that they will maintain a drug-free workplace. Section 3017.630(c) of the regulation provides that a grantee (and by inference, sub-grantees and sub-Grantees) that is a state may elect to make one certification to the Department in each federal fiscal year in lieu of certificates for each grant during the federal fiscal year covered by the certification. The certificate set out below is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when the agency awards the grant. False certification or violation of the certification shall be grounds for suspension of payments, suspension or termination of grants, or government wide suspension or debarment. Grantees using this form should send it to:

GOFERR
1 Eagle Square
Concord, NH 03301

- (A) The Grantee certifies that it will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:
- (a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
 - (b) Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about—
 - (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - (2) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
 - (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
 - (c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);
 - (d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will—
 - (1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
 - (2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal

drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;

- (e) Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;
- (f) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted—
 - (1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
 - (2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, state, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;
- (g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f).

(B) The Grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant.

Place of Performance (street address, city, county, State, zip code) (list each location)

Check if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here.

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| NHCDFA | 10/1/2022 - 6/30/2023 |
| Grantee Name | Period Covered by this Certification |
| Katherine Easterly Martey Executive Director | |
| Name and Title of Authorized Grantee Representative | |
|  | 12/9/22 |
| Grantee Representative Signature | Date |

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GRANT AGREEMENT EXHIBIT E
Lobbying

The Grantee identified in Section 1.3 of the General Provisions agrees to comply with the provisions of Section 319 of Public Law 101-121, Government wide Guidance for New Restrictions on Lobbying, and 31 U.S.C. 1352, and further agrees to have the Grantee's representative, as identified in Sections 1.11 and 1.12 of the General Provisions execute the following Certification:

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Programs (indicate applicable program covered): Emergency Rental Assistance Program Fund

Contract Period: 10/1/2022 - 4/30/2023

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement (and by specific mention sub-grantee or sub-Grantee).
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement (and by specific mention sub-grantee or sub-Grantee), the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying, in accordance with its instructions, attached and identified as Standard Exhibit E-1.
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award document for sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

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| <u>Katherine Eastery Martey</u> Grantee Representative Signature | <u>Executive Director</u> Grantee's Representative Title |
| <u>Katherine Eastery Martey</u> Grantee Name | <u>12/7/22</u> Date |

GRANT AGREEMENT EXHIBIT F - Debarment

The Grantee identified in Section 1.3 of the General Provisions agrees to comply with the provisions of Executive Office of the President, Executive Order 12529 and 45 CFR Part 76 regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters, and further agrees to have the Grantee's representative, as identified in Sections 1.11 and 1.12 of the General Provisions execute the following Certification:

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS - PRIMARY COVERED TRANSACTIONS

Instructions for Certification

- (1) By signing and submitting this Grant Agreement, the Grantee is providing the certification set out below.
- (2) The inability of a person to provide the certification required below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. If necessary, the Grantee shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the GOFERR determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the Grantee to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such person from participation in this transaction.
- (3) The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when GOFERR determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the Grantee knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, GOFERR may terminate this transaction for cause or default.
- (4) The Grantee shall provide immediate written notice to GOFERR, to whom this Grant is submitted if at any time the Grantee learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- (5) The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participant," "person," "primary covered transaction," "principal," "proposal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549: 45 CFR Part 76.
- (6) The Grantee agrees by submitting this Grant that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by GOFERR.
- (7) The Grantee further agrees by submitting this Grant that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transactions," provided by GOFERR, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- (8) A Grantee in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of Grantee in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or involuntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A Grantee may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Non-procurement List (of excluded parties).
- (9) Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a Grantee is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- (10) Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 6 of these instructions, if a Grantee in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal government, GOFERR may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

**CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER
RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS - PRIMARY COVERED TRANSACTIONS, cont'd**

*Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other
Responsibility Matters - Primary Covered Transactions*

- (1) The Grantee certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
- (a) are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
 - (b) have not within a three-year period preceding this Grant been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or a contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
 - (c) are not presently indicted for otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1) (b) of this certification; and
 - (d) have not, within a three-year period preceding this Grant, had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.
- (2) Where the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this Grant.

Kathleen G. Alletty Executive Director
Grantee Representative Signature Grantee's Representative Title:

Katherine Easterly Martey 12/9/2022
Print Grantee Name Date

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GRANT AGREEMENT EXHIBIT G

**CERTIFICATION REGARDING THE
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT COMPLIANCE**

The Grantee identified in Section 1.3 of the General Provisions agrees by signature of the Grantee's representative as identified in Sections 1.11 and 1.12 of the General Provisions, to execute the following certification:

By signing and submitting this Grant Agreement the Grantee agrees to make reasonable efforts to comply with all applicable provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

William G. Nelson Executive Director
Grantee Representative Signature Grantee's Representative Title

Katherine Pastory Martz 12/9/22
Grantee Name Date

GRANT AGREEMENT EXHIBIT H

CERTIFICATION

Public Law 103-227, Part C

ENVIRONMENTAL TOBACCO SMOKE

Public Law 103227, Part C Environmental Tobacco Smoke, also known as the Pro Children Act of 1994, requires that smoking not be permitted in any portion of any indoor facility routinely owned or leased or contracted for by an entity and used routinely or regularly for provision of health, day care, education, or library services to children under the age of 18, if the services are funded by Federal programs either directly or through State or local governments, by Federal grant, contract, loan, or loan guarantee.

The law does not apply to children's services provided in private residences, facilities funded solely by Medicare or Medicaid funds, and portions of facilities used for inpatient drug or alcohol treatment.

Failure to comply with the provisions of the law may result in the imposition of a civil monetary penalty of up to \$1000 per day and/or the imposition of an administrative compliance order on the responsible entity.

By signing and submitting this Grant Agreement the Grantee certifies that it will comply with the requirements of the Act.

The Grantee further agrees that it will require the language of this certification be included in any subawards which contain provisions for the children's services and that all subgrantees shall certify accordingly.

Katherine G. Marty
Grantee Representative Signature

Executive Director
Grantee's Representative Title

Katherine Easterly Marty
Grantee Name

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Date

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GRANT AGREEMENT EXHIBIT I

ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE NONDISCRIMINATION IN FEDERALLY ASSISTED PROGRAMS

OMB Burden Disclosure Statement

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 15 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Paperwork Reduction Project (1910-0400), Washington, DC 20503.

NHCOFA (hereinafter called the "Grantee") HEREBY AGREES to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Pub. L. 88-352), Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, (Pub. L. 92-318, Pub. L. 93-568, and Pub. L. 94-482), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Pub. L. 93-112), the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (Pub. L. 94-135), Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Pub. L. 90-284). In accordance with the above laws and regulations issued pursuant thereto, the Grantee agrees to assure that no person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity in which the Grantee receives Federal assistance.

Applicability and Period of Obligation

In the case of any service, financial aid, covered employment, equipment, property, or structure provided, leased, or improved with Federal assistance extended to the Grantee by GOFERR with federal ARPA funds, this assurance obligates the Grantee for the period during which Federal assistance is extended. In the case of any transfer of such service, financial aid, equipment, property, or structure, this assurance obligates the transferee for the period during which Federal assistance is extended. If any personal property is so provided, this assurance obligates the Grantee for the period during which it retains ownership or possession of the property.

Employment Practices

Where a primary objective of the Federal assistance is to provide employment or where the Grantee's employment practices affect the delivery of services in programs or activities resulting from Federal assistance extended by GOFERR, the Grantee agrees not to discriminate on the ground of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability, in its employment practices. Such employment practices may include, but are not limited to, recruitment, advertising, hiring, layoff or termination, promotion, demotion, transfer, rates of pay, training and participation in upward mobility programs; or other forms of compensation and use of facilities.

Subrecipient Assurance

The Grantee shall require any individual, organization, or other entity with whom it subcontracts, subgrants, or subleases for the purpose of providing any service, financial aid, equipment, property, or structure to comply with laws and regulations cited above. To this end, the subrecipient shall be required to sign a written assurance form; however, the obligation of both recipient and subrecipient to ensure compliance is not relieved by the collection or submission of written assurance forms.

Data Collection and Access to Records

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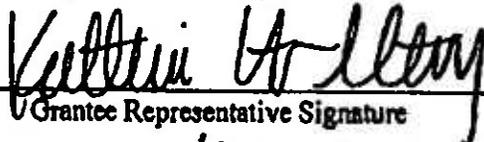
The Grantee agrees to compile and maintain information pertaining to programs or activities developed as a result of the Grantee's receipt of Federal assistance from GOFERR. Such information shall include, but is not limited to the following: (1) the manner in which services are or will be provided and related data necessary for determining whether any persons are or will be denied such services on the basis of prohibited discrimination; (2) the population eligible to be served by race, color, national origin, sex, age and disability; (3) data regarding covered employment including use or planned use of bilingual public contact employees serving beneficiaries of the program where necessary to permit effective participation by beneficiaries unable to speak or understand English; (4) the location of existing or proposed facilities connected with the program and related information adequate for determining whether the location has or will have the effect of unnecessarily denying access to any person on the basis of prohibited discrimination; and (5) the present or proposed membership by race, color, national origin, sex, age and disability in any planning or advisory body which is an integral part of the program.

The Grantee agrees to submit requested data to GOFERR, the U.S. Department of Treasury or OMB regarding programs and activities developed by the Grantee from the use of ARPA funds extended by GOFERR upon request. Facilities of the Grantee (including the physical plants, buildings, or other structures) and all records, books, accounts, and other sources of information pertinent to the Grantee's compliance with the civil rights laws shall be made available for inspection during normal business hours on request of an officer or employee of GOFERR, the U.S. Department of Treasury or OMB specifically authorized to make such inspections.

This assurance is given in consideration of and for the purpose of obtaining any and all Federal grants, loans, contracts (excluding procurement contracts), property, discounts or other Federal assistance extended after the date hereof, to the Grantee by GOFERR including installment payments on account after such date of application for Federal assistance which are approved before such date. The Grantee recognizes and agrees that such Federal assistance will be extended in reliance upon the representations and agreements made in this assurance, and that the United States shall have the right to seek judicial enforcement of this assurance. This assurance is binding on the Grantee, the successors, transferees, and assignees, as well as the person(s) whose signatures appear below and who are authorized to sign this assurance on behalf of the Grantee.

Grantee Certification

The Grantee certifies that it has complied, or that, within 90 days of the date of the grant, it will comply with all applicable requirements of 10 C.F.R. § 1040.5 (a copy will be furnished to the Grantee upon written request to GOFERR).


Grantee Representative Signature

Executive Director
Grantee's Representative Title

Print Grantee Name: Katherine Eastudy Martey Date 12/9/22

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**GRANT AGREEMENT EXHIBIT J cont.
CERTIFICATION**

As the Grantee identified in Section 1.3 of the General Provisions, I certify that the responses to the below listed questions are true and accurate.

1. The DUNS number for your entity is: _____

2. In your business or organization's preceding completed fiscal year, did your business or organization receive (1) 80 percent or more of your annual gross revenue in U.S. federal contracts, subcontracts, loans, grants, sub-grants, and/or cooperative agreements; and (2) \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from U.S. federal contracts, subcontracts, loans, grants, subgrants, and/or cooperative agreements?

NO

YES

If the answer to #2 above is NO, stop here

If the answer to #2 above is YES, please answer the following:

3. Does the public have access to information about the compensation of the executives in your business or organization through periodic reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a), 78o(d)) or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986?

NO

YES

If the answer to #3 above is YES, stop

If the answer to #3 above is NO, please answer the following:

4. The names and compensation of the five most highly compensated officers in your business or organization are as follows:

Name: _____

Amount: _____

Name: _____

Amount: _____

Name: _____

Amount: _____

Name: _____

Amount: _____

Name: _____

Amount: _____