

**CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

ITEM:

Council Bill 2021-400 –Agreement between the City of Joplin and Economic Security Corporation of Southwest Area.

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:

Planning, Development, and Neighborhood Services

MEETING DATE:

January 18, 2021

REVIEWED BY:

Director of Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services- Troy Bolander, Director of Finance-Leslie Haase, City Attorney- Peter Edwards, City Manager-Nicholas Edwards.

SUMMARY:

The following agreement is between the City of Joplin and Economic Security Corporation of Southwest Area to manage the 2019 Homeowner Rehabilitation Program for income eligible homeowners.

BACKGROUND:

Economic Security Corporation has operated a successful homeowner rehabilitation program for numerous years. Currently projects that were funded under 2018 program year funds are being completed, and the Community Development office desires to make available 2019 program year funds to allow activities to remain uninterrupted. The attached agreement is a renewal of funding for Economic Security Corporation to continue the Homeowner Rehabilitation Program on the behalf of the Joplin HOME Consortium.

FUNDING SOURCE

This Council Bill provides One Hundred Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Four Dollars and Seventy Five Cents (\$109,784.75) from HOME Investment Partnership Grant M19DC290209.

RECOMMENDATION

These activities have received prior approval from the Council as part of the 2019 Action Plan.

Staff recommends approval of the agreement.

ATTACHMENTS

CB2021-400 Ordinance; 2019 Homeowner Rehabilitation Agreement

**2019 HOMEOWNER OCCUPIED REHABILITATION
AGREEMENT BETWEEN
CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI
AND
ECONOMIC SECURITY CORPORATION of SOUTHWEST AREA**

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into on this ___ day of _____, 2021 by and between the City of Joplin, Missouri, located at 602 S. Main, Joplin, Missouri, hereinafter referred to as the "Government" and the Economic Security Corporation of Southwest Area, hereinafter referred to as "Subrecipient", a non-stock, nonprofit Missouri corporation.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Government, in accordance with the regulations codified at 24 CFR 92.102 - 92.104 for the HOME Investment Partnership Program, has been designated a Participating Jurisdiction by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

WHEREAS, Government has applied for and received a HOME Investment Partnership Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for FY 2019 (HOME funds).

WHEREAS, Subrecipient requests the Government to reserve \$109,784.75 from its 2019 HOME funds for a Homeowner-occupied Rehabilitation Program.

WHEREAS, the Government is responsible for ensuring that HOME funds are used in accordance with all program requirements; and,

WHEREAS, federal regulations require the participating jurisdiction to enter into a written agreement with Subrecipient ensuring compliance with all applicable federal regulations.

WHEREAS, Subrecipient has established a program to assist low income homeowners with housing rehabilitation projects.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and mutually agreed upon promises, conditions, and covenants hereinafter set forth, the Government and Subrecipient hereto agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

1. Subrecipient agrees to implement a Homeowner Rehabilitation Program in accordance with the HOME Investment Partnerships Program regulations as stated in 24 CFR Part 92 and in accordance with the guidelines adopted by the Government, which are incorporated herein in Article IV as additional provisions. Implementation shall include, but is not limited to, attracting eligible participants to the program, assessing their eligibility under the HOME program, and informing participants of the requirements for receipt of HOME loans.
2. The term of the Agreement shall begin on the date specified above and end two years from this date or until the entire HOME funds allocated for the Homeowner Rehabilitation Program

pursuant to this Agreement have been loaned or marked for a particular loan, or whichever comes first.

3. Subrecipient shall provide any reports and information as required by the Government to document compliance with HUD HOME Program regulations. This shall include the following information on each homebuyer: level of income (households \leq 30% of area median income, households $>$ 30% and \leq 50% of median income, and households $>$ 50% and \leq 80% of median income), household size, race, ethnicity, and national origin.
4. Subrecipient shall be responsible (in the manner and to the extent permitted by law) for all lawfully proven claims, losses, actions, and expenses (including legal expenses), including claims against the Government, arising from the performance of Subrecipient of the terms of this agreement in accordance with the requirements of the HOME Investment Partnerships Program but excepting any such claims, losses, causes of action and expenses arising as a result of fault on the part of the Government, its officers, agents and employees. Subrecipient is not responsible for negligent acts of the Government, its officers, agents, and employees.
5. Subrecipient shall insure that all potential recipients of HOME Homeowner Rehabilitation funds receive homeownership counseling.
6. Subrecipient shall recommend to the Government eligible homeowners for non-repayable loans. Each such recommendation shall include income and eligibility verification and certifications as to the program eligibility of the client and property. Subrecipient will also provide a recommendation as to the amount of the HOME loans and a signed statement from the prospective homeowner that HOME Program requirements were explained to them.
7. Subrecipient agrees that all residential loans awarded under the Homeowner Rehabilitation Program will be in accordance with the conditions of this agreement.

ARTICLE II

1. Under any program funded in whole or in part with HOME funds, Subrecipient shall not exclude from participation in, deny the benefits of, or subject to discrimination any person in the United States on the grounds of race, color, national origin, religion, or sex.
2. Subrecipient agrees to comply with the requirements of the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-20) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 100; Executive Order 11063, as amended by Executive Order 12259 (3 CFR, 1958-1963 Comp., p. 652 and 3 CFR, 1980 Comp., p. 307) (Equal Opportunity in Housing) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 107; and title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) (Nondiscrimination in Federally Assisted Programs) and implementing regulations issued at 24 CFR part 1.
3. Subrecipient agrees to comply with the requirements of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101-07) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 146: the requirements of section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 8; the requirements of Executive Order 11246 (3 CFR 1964-65, Comp., p. 339) (Equal Employment Opportunity) and the implementing regulations issued at 41 CFR chapter 60; and, the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of

1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u). Please see Attachment B for the Section 3 Clause, which lists the full requirements of the Subrecipient.

4. As it may be applicable, Subrecipient agrees to comply with the Minority/Women's Business Outreach section of the Annual Action Plan as adopted by the Government and as approved by the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development.
5. Subrecipient agrees to comply with all applicable regulations and requirements of the HOME program as set out in 24 CFR 92, and to maintain adequate records to document such compliance.
6. Subrecipient agrees to comply with HUD Regulations governing the treatment of lead-based paint hazards in HOME Assisted Residential Housing at 24 CFR Part 35.
7. Subrecipient represents and agrees that it is enrolled and participating a Federal Work Authorization Program ("FWAP") that ensures that all of its employees or agents or subcontractors have the legal right to work in the United States, as defined in 8 U.S.C. 1324a(h)(3) and RSMo § 285.525-285.555, and that it will maintain this compliance for the entire duration of its contract with the City of Joplin. Subrecipient agrees that it does not knowingly employ any unauthorized alien in connection with the contracted services with the City. Subrecipient agrees to provide an Affidavit of Compliance stating that they are in enrolled and participating in a FWAP, and that Subrecipient does not knowingly employ any unauthorized aliens in connection with the contracted services, upon execution of this Agreement. All Subcontractors shall state, in writing, in their contracts with Subrecipient, that they are not in violation of RSMo § 285.530.1 and shall not thereafter be in violation, or subcontractor may submit a sworn affidavit to this effect. Contractor agrees to hold harmless and indemnify the City for any liability due to Contractor's failure to maintain compliance with FWAP or for violations of the Missouri Unauthorized Alien Workers Act. Upon execution of each contract, an Affidavit will have to be signed by the principal of the contracting company.

ARTICLE III

1. The Government agrees to reserve \$109,784.75 from its 2019 HOME funds for use by eligible clients of Subrecipient in the implementation of a Homeowner Rehabilitation Program assisting approximately six (6) homes.
2. Subrecipient agrees to use and the Government agrees to provide funding, pursuant to performance of these activities in an amount not exceeding \$109,784.75 from its 2019 HOME funds overall and not exceeding \$27,500 per homeowner assisted including project-specific soft costs according to the budget in Attachment A.
3. The Government agrees to monitor the performance of Subrecipient to assure compliance with all applicable federal regulations; however, monitoring does not relieve Subrecipient of primary responsibility for compliance.
4. The Government agrees to prepare and submit any and all required reports to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

5. The Government agrees to assist Subrecipient staff in interpreting HOME regulations, resolving eligibility and contract problems, and the inspection of properties to insure those homes meet local housing codes.
6. The Government agrees to award, to eligible prospective homeowners referred to it by Subrecipient, forgivable loans as described in the 2008 Owner-occupied Rehabilitation Program Policies and Procedures.
7. Government agrees to be responsible (in the manner and to the extent permitted by law) for all lawfully proven claims, losses, actions, and expenses (including legal expenses) including claims against Subrecipient, arising from the proven negligent performance of Government of the terms of this agreement in accordance with the requirements of the HOME Investment Partnerships Program but excepting any such claims, losses, causes of action and expenses arising as a result of fault on the part of Subrecipient, its officers, agents, and employees. Government is not responsible for negligent acts of Subrecipient, its officers, agents, and employees.

ARTICLE IV

1. Upon receipt of a completed loan application from an eligible Homeowner Rehabilitation Program loan applicant, the Government will award HOME financing assistance according to the 2008 Owner-occupied Rehabilitation Program Policies and Procedures.
2. Subrecipient clients will have exclusive access to the Joplin HOME Consortium funds committed under this agreement for Homeowner Rehabilitation Program.
3. Subrecipient will ensure that all prospective homeowners will receive counseling on the obligations, terms, and conditions associated with a HOME-funded rehabilitation of a house.

ARTICLE V

1. No right, benefit, or advantage inuring to Subrecipient and no burden imposed on Subrecipient hereunder may be assigned or otherwise transferred without the prior written approval of the Government.
2. This agreement, or any part hereof, may be amended from time to time hereafter only in writing executed by the Government and Subrecipient.
3. This agreement, in accordance with 24 CFR 85.43 can be terminated if Subrecipient fails to comply with any term of the agreement. This agreement may be terminated for convenience in accordance with 24 CFR 85.44 upon written notice by the participating jurisdiction.
4. The failure to perform or comply with any of the covenants, warranties, terms or conditions as set forth in this agreement shall constitute events of breach and default entitling the Government to take all action set out in this agreement or as otherwise allowed by law, including an action for specific performance.
5. All notices hereunder shall be sufficiently given and shall be deemed given when delivered or mailed by certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, to the parties at their respective addresses as first set out herein.

ARTICLE VI

1. *Program income.* Program income and other receipts of Subrecipient related to activities under this agreement are to be remitted to the Government.
2. Subrecipient is required to comply with applicable uniform administrative requirements, as described in 2 CFR 200.
3. Subrecipient is required to carry out each activity in compliance with all Federal laws and regulations described in 24CFR Part 92, except that the subrecipient does not assume the participating jurisdiction's responsibilities for environmental review under § 92.352 and the intergovernmental review process in § 92.357 does not apply.
4. Subrecipient is responsible for affirmative marketing in accordance with § 92.351, if the HOME funds administered by Subrecipient will be used for housing containing five or more assisted units.
5. Subrecipient may not request disbursement of funds under the agreement until the funds are needed for payment of eligible costs. The amount of each request must be limited to the amount needed. Program income must be disbursed before the subrecipient requests funds from the participating jurisdiction.
6. *Reversion of assets.* Upon expiration of this agreement, Subrecipient must transfer to the participating jurisdiction any HOME funds on hand at the time of expiration and any accounts receivable attributable to the use of HOME funds.
7. *Records and reports.* Subrecipient must maintain records and provide reports required by the Government from time to time.
8. *Enforcement of the agreement.* Remedies for breach of the provisions of the agreement include but are not limited to repayment of any funds deemed to have been expended in an ineligible manner. In accordance with 24 CFR 85.43, suspension or termination may occur if Subrecipient materially fails to comply with any term of the agreement. The agreement may be terminated for convenience in accordance with 24 CFR 85.44.
9. If Subrecipient provides HOME funds to for-profit owners or developers, nonprofit owners or developers, subrecipients, homeowners, homebuyers, tenants receiving tenant-based rental assistance, or contractors, Subrecipient must have a written agreement with each party which meets the requirements of this section.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Contract at Joplin, Missouri, on this ___ day of _____, 2021.

Economic Security Corporation of Southwest Area
A non-stock, nonprofit Missouri Corporation

ATTEST:

John Joines
Chief Executive Officer

Curtis Scott
Director of Home Repair

CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI
A Municipal Corporation

Troy Bolander
Director of Planning, Development and Neighborhood
Services

ATTEST:

Barbara Gollhoffer
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Peter Edwards
City Attorney

ATTACHMENT A

Detailed budget of funding and projected expenditures

\$ 25,000	Amount of homeowner rehabilitation assistance per applicant.
\$ 2,500	Amount of homeowner rehabilitation administration per applicant.

ATTACHMENT B

Section 3 Clause

The SUBRECIPIENT agrees to comply with the federal regulations governing training, employment and business opportunities as follows:

- A. It is agreed that the WORK to be performed under this agreement is on a project assisted under a program providing direct Federal financial assistance from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development and is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701 u, as well as any and all applicable amendments thereto. Section 3 requires that, to the greatest extent feasible, opportunities for training and employment be given low and moderate income residents of the project area, and that contracts for work in connection with the project be awarded to business concerns which are located in, or owned in substantial part by persons residing in the project area.
- B. The SUBRECIPIENT shall comply with the provisions of said Section 3 and the regulations issued pursuant thereto by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development set forth in 24 Code of Federal Regulations and all applicable rules and orders of the AGENCY of Housing and Urban Development issued thereunder as well as any and all applicable amendments thereto prior to the execution of this contract as well as during the term of this contract. The SUBRECIPIENT certifies and agrees that it is under no contractual or other disability, which would prevent it from complying with these requirements as well as any and all applicable amendments thereto.
- C. The SUBRECIPIENT agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section 3 clause. The SUBRECIPIENT will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the section 3 preference, shall set forth minimum number and job titles subject to hire, availability of apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each; and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.
- D. The SUBRECIPIENT will include this Section 3 clause in every subcontract for work in connection with the project and will, at the direction of the CITY, take appropriate action pursuant to the subcontractor upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of regulations issued by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, in 24 Code of Federal Regulations.

The SUBRECIPIENT will not subcontract with any subcontractor where it has notice or knowledge that the latter has been found in violation of regulations under 24 code of Federal Regulations and will not let any subcontract unless the subcontractor has first provided it with a preliminary statement of ability to comply with these requirements as well as with any and all applicable amendments thereto.

- E. The SUBRECIPIENT will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training

positions, that are filled (1) after the contractor is selected but before the contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR part 135 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the SUBRECIPIENT's obligations under 24 CFR part 135.

- F. Compliance with the provisions of Section 3, the regulations set forth in 24 Code of Federal Regulations and all applicable rules and orders of the AGENCY of Housing and Urban Development issued thereunder prior to the execution of the contract shall be a condition precedent to federal financial assistance being provided to the PROJECT as well as a continuing condition, binding upon the applicant or recipient for such assistance, its successors, and assigns. Failure to fulfill these requirements shall subject the SUBRECIPIENT or recipient, its contractors and subcontractors, its successors, and assigns to those sanctions specified by 24 Code of Federal Regulations as well as with any and all applicable amendments thereto.
- G. The SUBRECIPIENT certifies that with respect to work performed in connection with section 3 covered Indian housing assistance, section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e) also applies to the work to be performed under this contract. Section 7(b) requires that to the greatest extent feasible (i) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indians, and (ii) preference in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to Indian organization and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises. Parties to this contract that are subject to the provision of section 3 and section 7(b) agree to comply with section 3 to the maximum extent feasible, but not in derogation of compliance with section 7(b).

ATTACHMENT C

HOMEOWNER AGREEMENT

Whereas, _____ (“Homeowner”) is receiving HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program financial assistance from Economic Security Corporation (“Subrecipient”) in the amount of \$ _____ to provide funding to rehabilitate home located at <insert address> in compliance with City of Joplin building codes and HOME Program Housing Quality Standards. The estimated after-rehabilitation value of the home is \$ _____.¹

Now, therefore, the Subrecipient has an option to recoup assistance used on the above described property upon the terms, conditions and contingencies herein set forth.

Principal Residency and Income Eligibility

Homeowner agrees that if during the <insert occupancy period> the Homeowner uses the property as (1) an investment property or (2) the Homeowner uses the Property as a recreational house or “second” home, then the Subrecipient may require immediate payment in full of the entire loan amount provided by the Subrecipient.

Homeowner agrees that if during the <insert occupancy period> he/she/they sell part or all of the property without Subrecipient’s prior written consent then the Subrecipient may require payment in full the amount of the loan outstanding at time of sale.

Homeowner certifies that he/she has provided complete, accurate, and current information regarding household income to demonstrate Homeowner’s eligibility to receive CDBG funds.

Completion of Work

The Subrecipient agrees to complete all rehabilitation work on the home by _____, _____.

Enforcement

The Homeowner and the subrecipient acknowledge that the subrecipient has the right and responsibility to enforce this agreement.

¹ The after-rehabilitation value must not exceed 95 percent of the median area purchase price, as required under 24 CFR 92.254(a)(2)(iii)

Whereas, if the Homeowner does not violate any of the terms listed in this agreement, then this agreement will be considered paid in full on the _____ of _____ and the Note will be released.

Attachment

- A. Scope of Work**
- B. Recapture Provisions (Deed Restriction)**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned homeowner(s) has/have affixed his/her signature(s) and seal(s) this **day of** .

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of:

Economic Security Corporation

Homeowner

Notary Public

City of Joplin

Commission Expiration Date:

STATE OF _____)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE
(Missouri Unauthorized Alien Workers Act)

My name is _____(name) and I am the
_____(Title) of _____(Company Name).
I hereby represent, affirm and certify to the City of Joplin that my company does not knowingly
employ any person who is an unauthorized alien in connection with contracted services with the City.
I further affirm that my company is actively enrolled and participating in a federal work authorization
program with respect to all employees working in connection with the contract services provided to
the City.

Affiant

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official
seal this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Notary Public

My commission expires:

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-400

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and Economic Security Corporation of Southwest Area that pertains to 2019 HOME funds; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute same on behalf of the City.

WHEREAS, the City of Joplin and Economic Security Corporation of Southwest Area, are desirous of entering into an agreement whereby Economic Security Corporation of Southwest Area will manage the 2019 Homeowner Rehabilitation Program on behalf of the Joplin Consortium HOME Investment Partnership Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, Economic Security Corporation of Southwest Area is entered into for one hundred nine thousand seven hundred eighty four dollars and seventy five cents (\$109,784.75), a copy of same, or copy in substantially similar form, attached hereto and incorporated herein, be and the same is hereby approved.

Section 2: That the City Manager or his designee, the Director of Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services of the City of Joplin, Missouri, is hereby authorized to execute said Agreement in substantially similar form, by and on behalf of the City of Joplin.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this _____ day of _____, 2021, by a _____ vote.

Ryan D. Stanley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Peter Edwards, City Attorney