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Dear Mayor Gordo and City Council members,

The transfer of ESG-CV funds from homelessness prevention, i.e. rent relief, to other housing needs seems sensible in light of the recently announced State of California large scale rent relief program.

I would suggest the City expand the target for those funds from “emergency shelter” to allow for consideration of other interim or bridge housing possibilities. Emergency shelter and scattered site motel vouchers allow one night only assistance. After they are utilized, they are gone. Nearby cities of Los Angeles, North Hollywood, Tarzana, and Reseda have decided that putting funds toward small housing structures that can be used over and over is more efficient. I believe our EdTech committee has received a similar proposal to review.

The Housing Department is working diligently for the benefit of those without shelter. Please don’t lock these funds into something too restrictive.

Sincerely  
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