Community Action to receive $105K for emergency housing

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NEW CARROLLTON — The Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development has announced the recipients of Fiscal Year 2018 grants through the Emergency Solutions Grants program. The Garrett County Community Action Committee will receive $105,100.

Overall, more than $2.9 million in program grants will assist homeless shelters and support homeless services in 19 counties and five municipalities in Maryland. In Fiscal Year 2017, over 6,200 Marylanders experiencing or at risk of homelessness were assisted with services through the Emergency Solutions Grants program. The awards are expected to leverage over $3.4 million in additional funding, according to Secretary Kenneth C. Holt, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development.

“Homelessness affects all parts of Maryland,” he said. “The state is proud to partner with local communities and nonprofit service providers through the Emergency Solutions Grants program to shelter and support this vulnerable population.”

Emergency Solutions Grants funds are used to support shelter operations and outreach, as well as prevention and rapid re-housing.

“Rapid re-housing is an important, evidence-based strategy that quickly moves homeless households back into housing and provides time-limited services that are scaled to the need of the family,” Holt said.