

**261—29.4(15) Eligible activities.** Activities assisted by this program may include but are not limited to the following:

1. Rehabilitation, renovation, or conversion of buildings for use as providers of services for the homeless. Rehabilitation activities shall be allowed a maximum cost of \$10,000 per project.
2. Provision of essential services if the service is a new service or a quantifiable increase in the level of service.
3. Payment of normal operating expenses that include staff salaries, maintenance, insurance, utilities, furnishings, and all other documented normal operating expenses.
4. Payment for eligible activities that assist in prevention of homelessness. Examples of eligible activities include, but are not limited to, short-term subsidies to help defray rent and utility arrearages for families faced with eviction or termination of utility services; security deposits or first month's rent to enable a family to acquire its own apartment; programs to provide mediation services for landlord-tenant disputes; or programs to provide legal representation to indigent tenants in eviction proceedings. Other possible types of homeless prevention efforts include making needed payments to prevent a home from falling into foreclosure.
5. Administrative costs. A grantee may use a portion of a grant received for administrative purposes as determined by IDED. The maximum allowed for these administrative costs shall be 5 percent of the state of Iowa's HSOG allocation. IDED reserves the authority to determine the distribution of administrative funds.