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Camden Housing and Utility Assistance Grants for Low-Income Residents Must Be Spent within 3 Months

Camden, NJ (February 2, 2015)— Camden County Council On Economic Opportunity, Inc. (Camden County OEO) has been awarded an additional \$94,000 by the City of Camden to help prevent homelessness and the disconnection of utilities for Camden residents with low incomes. This funding must be spent by April 30, 2015. Last September, the City of Camden provided \$150,000 to Camden County OEO to provide these services. The agency successfully administered those funds to help 128 individuals and families.

The City of Camden Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) is available to Camden City residents with incomes at or below \$23,850 (30% of the area median family income for a family of four), who need assistance on back rental payments, housing security deposits, rental assistance, relocation assistance, utility deposits, utility payments or motel/hotel costs. Eligible residents have to complete an application for the grant and provide a letter from their landlord, a new lease, a late/shut-off notice for utilities, an invoice for relocation expenses, or an invoice from a motel/hotel.

Camden County OEO staff will assist applicants at two locations in Camden: 538 Broadway or 900 Broadway. The community action agency anticipates helping approximately 71 individuals and families with the additional ESG funds.

“Camden County OEO is pleased to be given this opportunity by the City of Camden to help even more residents with financial assistance so they can have a safe place to stay, especially during the winter months. For 50 years, our agency has been dedicated to serving those who have emergency situations that must be addressed as quickly as possible,” said Executive Director Arnold N. Byrd.

For more information about the City of Camden ESG program, call Camden County OEO at 856-964-6887, come into either Camden location, or visit the agency website at www.camdencountyoeo.com. The ESG grant is administered on a first-come, first-served basis.



About Camden County OEO

Camden County Council on Economic Opportunity Inc. is private, non-profit agency dedicated to serving and uplifting economically disadvantaged and moderate income individuals and families in Camden County, New Jersey since 1965. The dual purpose of Camden County OEO is arranging for and providing assistance that gives immediate relief to income-eligible persons in emergency circumstances and providing programs and services that aid individuals to successfully achieve self-sufficiency. For more information, visit www.camdencountyoeo.com and follow the agency on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).