

**AMENDMENT TO EXHIBIT "A"
PERFORMANCE STATEMENT**

ADVOCACY RESOURCE CENTER FOR HOUSING (ARCH) having been certified as a non-profit, has been allocated ESG Surplus Funds. The non-profit shall carry out the following activities identified in its ESG Surplus Funds Application:

ESSENTIAL SERVICES / HOMELESS PREVENTION SERVICES

Advocacy Resource Center for Housing (ARCH) shall utilize ESG Surplus Funds for essential services and homeless prevention activities. The essential services are to be used for salaries of counseling staff that will be assisting clients seeking assistance for homeless prevention. Homeless prevention activities include assistance to families and individuals who have received rental eviction notices and utility disconnect notices. A total of \$79,429.67 was awarded; \$23,470.34 for essential services and \$55,959.33 for homeless prevention activities.

The subrecipient agreement for Advocacy Resource Center for Housing was approved on March 17, 2009 and will end on September 30, 2009.

The Advocacy Resource Center for Housing (ARCH) has informed the Urban County Program that they will not be able to expend all the funds awarded. This request is to amend the subrecipient agreement with ARCH by deleting funds in the amount of \$44,000 from their original subrecipient agreement amount. The new subrecipient agreement amount will be \$35,429.67.

**AMENDMENT APPROVED BY HIDALGO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'
COURT ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2009.**

County:
Hidalgo County

Non-Profit
Advocacy Resource Center for Housing

Name

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Urban County Program Director
Title

Executive Director
Title

Date: _____

Date: _____



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ADVOCACY RESOURCE CENTER FOR HOUSING

August 19, 2009

Mrs. Diana Serna
Urban County Program
1916 Tesoro Boulevard
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Dear Mrs. Diana Serna, Executive Director

In March 20th, 2009 we began work effort with Urban County on a sub-contract basis with 2009 ESG SURPLUS FUNDS grant awarded to us in the amount of: \$79, 429.67. We were informed that we could begin executing the grant in April 2009 and that the grant would end in June 2009. Shortly after, we were advised that the 2009 ESG Surplus Grant was extended till the end of September 2009. We have since worked diligently to delegate these funds to the needy families in our communities. In just the four months of April, May, June and July 2009 we have spend \$22,930.01 of the \$79,429.67 award. Though Urban County awarded \$79,429.67 in restricted funds; ARCH does not have this dollars amount in liquidity form to spend upfront. The reimbursement system has also limited how much we are able to budget for expenditures because there is a waiting period we need to account for. I assure you we have the clients that desperately await the assistance for we log every client call and office visit. The Board of Directors and I are committed to looking at other avenues of generating immediate funds, but as of now, we have concluded that we will *not* be able to spend the \$56,500.07 still left in our ESG Surplus award. We would like to retain \$12,500.07 of the \$56,500.07 and return \$44,000 that we feel we *will not* be able to spend. We thank you Mrs. Serna, for the opportunity of working with Urban County 2009 ESG Surplus funds and we look forward to continue working with the new ESG FFY 22 grant. We know we will fare better in executing this ESG FFY 22 grant because we have a year & eighteen months to spend these funds; compared to the short six month on the 2009 ESG Surplus award. Again thank you and Please feel free to call me at (956) 631-4277 or my cell: (956) 624-4006 if you have any questions.

Sincerely

San Juanita Maldonado, Director
Advocacy Resource Center for Housing
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