

## Glossary

# How Much Has the City Spent on Homelessness Prevention Nonrecurring Payments for Rental Arrears?

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**CityFHEPS:** City Fighting Homelessness and Eviction Prevention Supplement (see previous IBO report). This is a City-funded voucher program for low-income households in shelter, or those who are facing eviction if they meet certain criteria.

**FHEPS:** Family Homelessness and Eviction Prevention Supplement. This is a state program for low-income families with minor children who receive Cash Assistance and are also being evicted, in a shelter due to domestic violence, or are in shelter due to an eviction in the last year. FHEPS funding depends on the funding streams associated with the form of Cash Assistance for each case, so it is funded by City, state, and federal dollars.

**FEPS:** Family Eviction Prevention Supplement. A prior version of FHEPS.

**Public Assistance:** Public Assistance refers to a set of temporary support programs including those outlined below.

**Cash Assistance:** Cash assistance is for qualifying low-income households. It consists of Family Assistance (FA) and Safety Net Assistance (SNA).

**Family Assistance:** FA is a form of Cash Assistance for families with children, 19-year-olds in college or vocational training, and/or pregnant women. It is funded 85% by the federal government and 15% by the City. FA is limited to 60 months.

**Safety Net Assistance:** SNA is a form of Cash Assistance for adult-only households, children who do not qualify for FA, and households who convert from FA after 60 months. It is funded 71% by the City and 29% by the state.

**Emergency Assistance to Families:** EAF is a federally funded program that provides cash grants for sudden emergencies for households with minor children, an adult under 19 attending full-time school, or pregnant persons. Households must meet eligibility criteria, including available income at or below 200% FPL at the time of emergency. Recipients do not need to receive ongoing Cash Assistance to qualify.

**Emergency Assistance to Adults:** EAA is a state program for adults over 18 who have been determined eligible or receive Supplemental Security Income or State Supplementation Program payments and face a sudden emergency.

**Rental Arrears:** Overdue unpaid rent.