1. Can these funds provide support around clothes/housing/food?
   - The provision of “income payments” is an ineligible CDBG activity if these payments are provided as a grant. Income payments are payments to an individual or family, which are used to provide basic services such as food, shelter (including payment for rent, mortgage, and/or utilities) or clothing.
   - However, such expenditures are eligible under the following conditions:
     - The income payments do not exceed three consecutive months; and
     - The payments are made directly to the provider of such services on behalf of an individual or family.
   - Income payments that are provided as a loan are permissible within the public services cap.

2. Can gift cards be provided to clients for these services?
   - Gift cards are considered cash and you cannot make direct cash payments to program participants.

3. Can an agency request more than their current award?
   - Yes

4. If these funds are applied for to provide services that COVID-19 funds were providing, is that supplanting?
   - No, if the COVID-related funding was specifically for pandemic related services and the funding is no longer available.

5. Is there a requirement of residency? Does it need to be documented or can that be self-reported?
   - Yes

Please follow up with OCHS staff regarding the specific type of services being provided.