

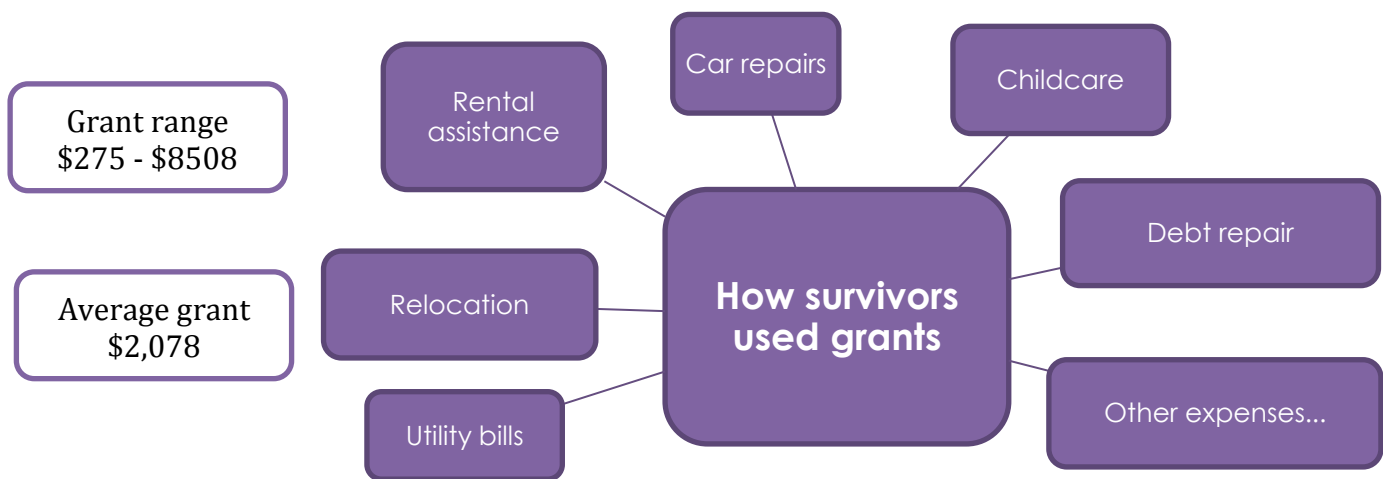
# Using Flexible Funding to Prevent Homelessness of Domestic Violence Survivors

## Research Study

55 unstably housed or homeless survivors who received “flexible funding” grants from the District Alliance for Safe Housing (DASH) were interviewed 1-, 3-, and 6-months after receiving the funds

## Primary Factors in Flexible Funding:

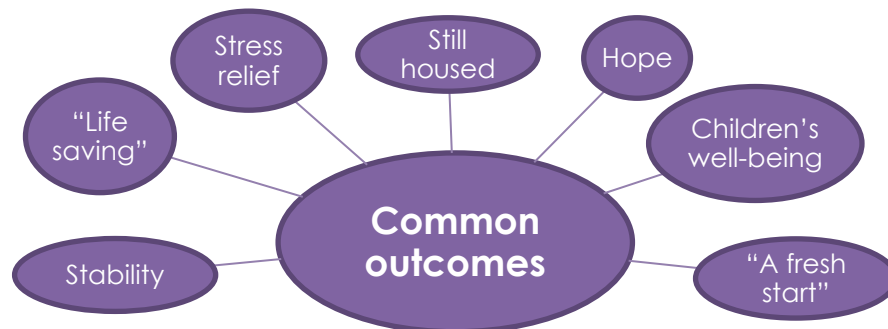
- Funded by an innovative public-private partnership:
  - Public funds used for staff costs
  - Private funds used for grants to survivors
- Goals: assist survivors in achieving housing stability (avoid homelessness) and achieving safety
- Guiding Principles: Low-barrier, fast, no cap on amount, support for variety of needs



## Six months after receiving funds:

- **94%** housed
- **91%** no further domestic violence
- **100%** felt their lives were better off

*“Basically, I can say it saved my life. It saved my life. That’s all I can say, it saved my life. If DASH wouldn’t have put their funds in, I woulda got put out, and my job woulda found out and basically, I would have probably been in the streets...”*



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