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Compass Affordable Housing, Inc., to provide for Emergency Eviction Legal Services Emergency Housing - Rehousing Assistance, Arizona Department of Housing - S.B. 1720 Housing Shelter & Services Fund, contract amount \$1,055,106 for a two-year term (CT-CR-24-468) \$1,500,000 to help 75 families get housed in the next two years. There is no funding to prevent evictions, but we can help once you are homeless!

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Finding affordable housing within the Pima County Budget funding groups and their layers is overwhelming, some of these are: Community workforce and Development, Emergency Eviction Legal Services, County administrator, intergovernmental agreements with Tucson City, The Craycroft, etc.. How can a person navigate all this? When there is a tenant that needs finding he can not get any because there is no money for that. At least one multi-million-dollar budget line for 24-25 is supposed to help end homelessness! 75 families is not nearly enough. Families struggle to avoid eviction and if they fail then they end up on the streets hopeless. Then Pima County BOS think they are saving the day by offering emergency housing where drugs, gangs and such plague the emergency facilities and further destroy the families. So many millions of dollars spent and so little effect on the community members. The taxpayer that wants a safe clean environment gets set aside for the criminal again. Please find a way to offer the service before families are evicted. The property owners are not the "bad guys"; try backing them up to see community improvements.