

COVID-19 Relief Funds Available

The Franklin County Board of County Commissioners through the Franklin County S.H.I.P. Program will be receiving Corona Virus Relief Funds in the amount of \$175,000. Applications will be accepted beginning on August 24, 2020 and will be ongoing until the funds are expended. Application packets will be available on August 13, 2020.

Summary of Strategy: The funds will be distributed to applicants who have or are currently experiencing a financial hardship due to the COVID-19 emergency between the dates of March 1, 2020 and December 30, 2020.

The assistance provided will be:

Rent and Utility Assistance

- a) Must have a signed, notarized lease with landlord
- b) Must have a notarized letter from landlord showing balance owed
- c) Must provide copies of utility bills

Mortgage and Utility Assistance

- a) Must have a current mortgage statement showing balance owed
- b) Must provide copies of utility bills

Fiscal Years Covered: 2020-2021

Income Categories to be served: Very Low, Low and Moderate

Maximum award: \$2,500

Terms: Assistance provided will be in the form of a grant.

Recipient Selection Criteria: Applicants will be served on a first come, first qualified basis if they meet all of the selection criteria.

Additional Information: Applicants must show that they have been or are currently unemployed or underemployed due to the COVID-19 emergency.

Utilities include Electric, Water, Sewer, Garbage, Internet, Phone & Cable.

All payments will go directly to the Landlord, Mortgage Holder and Utility Companies.

For an application or more information please call Lori Switzer-Mills or Teresa Kelley at 653-8199, email: franklincountyship@yahoo.com or come by the office located at The Fort Coombs Armory 66-4th Street, Apalachicola.