

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 66-4<sup>th</sup> Street, Apalachicola.