***MINI-GRANT PROPOSAL GUIDELINES - ONE-TIME REQUEST FOR FUNDS***

**Family Strengthening Mini-Grant**

*We are excited to announce that funding is available for* ***Family Strengthening*** *mini-grant proposals for the 2019-20 fiscal year. Mini-grants will be awarded up to $2,000. Funding is provided by the Amador Child Abuse Prevention Council (ACAPC).*

Grants are available for qualified organizations and agencies to provide Family Strengthening programs within the County of Amador.

**Family Strengthening** is the premise that children do well when families do well, and that families do well when they live in supportive communities. Enhancing connections within families, and between families, and the institutions that affect them, result in better outcomes for children and their families.

The Child Abuse Prevention Council – a collaboration of county organizations, agencies, and community members – has found that the unmet needs in the area of family strengthening include the following focus areas:

* Drug & Alcohol/Substance Abuse Treatment/Prevention
* Parent Education/Parent Support
* Promoting Mental Wellness /Trauma Informed Care
* Developmentally Appropriate Behavior/Developmental Milestones Education
* Neglect/Distracted Parenting and Child Safety

Mini-Grant applications may be submitted to ACAPC at any time throughout the 2017-18 fiscal year, however grant reviews and awards will occur bi-monthly, suggested application deadline dates are as follows:

**Friday, August 30, 2019 – 5:00pm**

**Thursday, October 31, 2019 – 5:00pm**

**Tuesday, December 31, 2019 – 5:00pm**

**Friday, February 28, 2020 – 5:00pm**

**Thursday, April 30, 2020 – 5:00pm**

Review: Grant applications will be reviewed and applicants notified within one month of the above submission dates. Funds will be awarded to successful applicants within two months of the above dates. Grants will be awarded until annual funds are no longer available. Projects eligible for funding include schools, parent groups, non-profit agencies, and community organizations. The council will review proposals and determine if the project will be funded based on funds available, need for the project, level of community support, and viability of the project’s implementation with the requested funds. A maximum of two applications per organization per year will be considered.

Grant recipients will provide a final report due within thirty days after the contract ending date:

* + Written program summary of key accomplishments
  + Number of families/individuals served as appropriate
  + Staff responsible for implementing the program
  + Evaluation of program outcomes
  + Itemized expense statement

For an application form please visit [www.amadorcapc.org](http://www.amadorcapc.org), or contact Amador Child Abuse Prevention Council at 209-223-5921, or by email at [info@amadorcapc.org](mailto:info@amadorcapc.org).