Request for Proposals for Funding to Supplement Emergency Food and Shelter Programs in Yavapai County Is Announced

Prescott, AZ, June 4, 2020 – The Local Board of the Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) in Yavapai County is requesting proposals for funding to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in Yavapai County for Phase 37 and Phase CARES. The amount of funding allocated to Yavapai County for Phase 37 is $101,332.00; Phase CARES is $144,470.00. The selection of jurisdictions receiving awards is made by a National Board chaired by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and consists of representatives from American Red Cross, Catholic Charities, USA, The National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA, The Salvation Army, United Jewish Communities and United Way of America. Funding is made available by a federal appropriation from Congress to the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program.

The Local EFSP Board is made up of local representatives reflecting the same agencies and organizations on the National Board. The Local Board determines how the possible funds awarded to Yavapai County is to be distributed among the emergency food and shelter programs run by local service agencies in the area that will expand the capacity of their food and shelter programs. The Local Board is responsible for recommending agencies to receive these funds and any additional funds available under this phase of the program. The WHEAT organization is acting as the administrative agency for the Local Yavapai County EFSP Board in Phase 37 and Phase CARES.

Local agencies chosen to receive funds must:

- be a 501 (c)(3) non-profit or a unit of government,
- have an accounting system,
- practice non-discrimination,
- have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs,
- and if they are a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization, have a voluntary board.

The Local EFSP Board will consider the awarding of funds to local organizations for the following purposes:

- Food, in the form of served meals or groceries (food boxes),
- Shelter, in the form of lodging in a mass shelter or rental assistance for first month’s rent or late rent.

Qualifying agencies are urged to apply. Individuals cannot apply for this funding.

Agencies interested in applying for funding in Phase 37 and Phase CARES MUST email WHEAT at EFSP@HungerHurts.org for a Password and User ID to access the online application. Applications are submitted via an online system and will be available on Tuesday, June 9, 2020. Applicants new to the process will be updated on EFSP funding and the process prior to applying. The deadline for applications to be received is Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at Noon. Questions concerning this process may be directed to WHEAT by email EFSP@HungerHurts.org

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WHEAT (www.HungerHurts.org) is a statewide anti-hunger and poverty organization staffing the Emergency Food and Shelter Program for Apache, Gila, Maricopa, Navajo, Pinal & Yavapai Counties and the Arizona State Set-Aside Committee for Phase 37 and Phase CARES.