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LA PAZ/MOHAVE REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL

FAMILY SUPPORT GRANT PROGRAM

REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATION

FTF-RC006-10-0012-00

FACT SHEET

WHAT IS THE INTENT OF THIS FUNDING OPPORTUNITY? FAMILY SUPPORT

The First Things First La Paz/Mohave Regional Partnership Council recognizes that family support is a great need for the La Paz/Mohave regional area. Stakeholders from throughout the region indicated during the strategic planning process that there is a need to support, enhance and implement family support services that provide parents and caregivers access to information, resources and high-quality social support. Additionally, a survey of child care professionals implemented at the “Saddle up for Child Care Conference” in June, 2008 suggested eligibility requirements are not clearly understood for many family support services resulting in underserved children and families.

The La Paz/Mohave Regional Partnership Council understands that family support is the foundation for enhancing children’s positive social and emotional development. Children who experience sensitive, responsive care from a parent perform better academically and emotionally. Beyond the basics of care and parenting skills, children benefit from positive interactions with their parents (e.g. physical touch, early reading experiences, and verbal and visual communications). Children depend on their parents to ensure they live in safe and stimulating environments where they can explore and learn.

The intent of this funding opportunity is to look for approaches that implement, support, and enhance family support services that provide parents and caregivers access to information, resources and high-quality social support.

WHAT IS THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FUNDING AVAILABLE?

Approximately \$701,896 is available in this Request for Grant Application. Contract renewal will be contingent upon satisfactory contract performance, evaluation and availability of funds.

The anticipated contract period for any resultant grant will be July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010.

PROPOSED TIMELINE FOR THE GRANT MAKING PROCESS

March 5, 2009	Notice of Intent/Fact Sheet available to the public
March 5, 2009	RFGA available on-line
March, 10, 2009	Pre-application Conference Mohave County Public Library, 4:00 p.m.-6:00 pm. at 1770 McCulloch Blvd. N, Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403
April, 16, 2009	Applications due to the location listed in the RFGA by 4:00 p.m.
July 1, 2009	Anticipated grant awards made

HOW TO GET A COPY OF THE RFGA.

Please visit the First Things First web site on or after March 5, 2009: <http://www.azftf.gov/>

QUESTIONS?

All questions must be submitted in writing and include FTF-RC006-10-0012-00 in the subject line of the email or on the cover sheet of the fax.

Questions should be submitted to the Grants and Contracts Procurement Specialist via email at grants@azftf.gov or via fax at (602) 265-0009.