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GRANTS AVAILABLE FROM THE SOUTHERN MONTEREY COUNTY FOUNDATION Application Deadline Friday, 9/22/17

Monterey County, California — The Southern Monterey County Foundation, an affiliate fund of the Community Foundation for Monterey County, has \$15,000 available to grant in 2017 to nonprofit organizations, public programs and other groups serving Southern Monterey County Residents. Grants, will range from \$500 to \$2,000 and focus on projects and programs that benefit the communities of Southern Monterey County, including King City and all points south, excluding the coastal region.

Grant proposals are due 5:00 PM Friday, September 22, 2017 and grantees will be notified in November.

The 2017 applications are available online at www.cfmco.org/SMCF. For questions please contact Brian Thayer, CFMC Senior Philanthropic Services Officer, at 831.375.9712 x144 or briant@cfmco.org

About the Southern Monterey County Foundation

The Southern Monterey County was established by area residents to support programs and services for the communities of Southern Monterey County. Formed in 2014 as an affiliate fund of the Community Foundation for Monterey County, the Southern Monterey County Foundation's purpose is to raise funds locally to strengthen communities from King City to points south. It is guided by an advisory board of local residents who have a deep understanding of regional community needs. Grantmaking is made possible by the support of local individuals, families and businesses. More than \$50,000 has been granted through 2016. For more information, to see a list of 2016 grantees, or to support the fund, visit www.cfmco.org/SMCF.

About the Community Foundation for Monterey County

The mission of the CFMC is to inspire philanthropy and be a catalyst for strengthening communities throughout Monterey County. Thanks to generous community members who have created charitable funds in their lifetimes or through their estates, the CFMC has granted more than \$150 million to nonprofits working towards healthy, safe, vibrant communities. In 2016 alone the foundation awarded \$15.4 million to more than 500 grantees. The CFMC's [Center for Nonprofit Excellence](#) provides local nonprofit organizations with high-quality professional development, information and resources. For more information visit www.cfmco.org, call 831.375.9712 or stay connected at www.facebook.com/cfmco or www.twitter.com/cfmco.