



Picayune Rancheria  
of the

# CHUKCHANSI INDIANS

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Dear Grant Applicant,

On behalf of the Picayune Rancheria of the Chukchansi Indians, thank you for your interest in the Community Grant Program. Beginning in 2007, and for the following ten years, the Community Grant Program will allocate \$1 million dollars per year to Madera County Government departments and agencies, schools, and non-profits. This program is being funded by the Tribe through a cooperative agreement with the County of Madera.

The Tribe operates a casino, the Chukchansi Gold Resort & Casino, on Highway 41 in Coarsegold. Through the casino, the Tribe hopes to achieve true self-sufficiency for the first time in over 150 years. Since the loss of our lands and the destruction of our way of life during the Gold Rush era, most Tribal Members have lived in poverty, with substantial housing, inadequate health care, and many difficulties in educating our children to live in a new world. With the casino, tribal members are proud of who they are again, and soon will be provided access to housing, health care and education.

The voters of the State of California supported the development of Tribal Casinos by voting in favor of both Prop 5 and Prop 1A. The Tribe appreciates that support. The Community Grant Program is one of the many ways that the Tribe will express our appreciation by giving back.

Last year, the Community Grant Program funded a number of worthy projects in Madera County; this was a great opportunity for us to meet the people who are working to improve life in Madera County for everyone. We know that the citizens of Madera County share the same goals for their own families as we share for our Tribal Members. Through the Community Grant Program, the Tribe is offering support to those people whose mission is to help the citizens of Madera to achieve their goals.

Thank you for all that you do to assist the citizens of Madera County.

Sincerely Yours,

Tribal Council of the Picayune Rancheria of the Chukchansi Indians



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### THE COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM OF THE PICAYUNE RANCHERIA OF THE CHUKCHANSI INDIANS AND THE COUNTY OF MADERA

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in applying for grant monies available through the Community Grant Program of the Picayune Rancheria of the Chukchansi Indians and the County of Madera. This is the eighth year in a ten-year program, which will ultimately distribute \$10 million to Madera County non-profit agencies, public schools, and county department and agencies.

Community Grant applications may be filed beginning **JANUARY 1, 2014** at the office of the Board Clerk, 200 West Fourth Street, Madera, California 93637. Submissions must include three complete copies of the Grant Application and must be received **on or before MARCH 1, 2014**. **All applicants must use the 2014 grant application or it will not be considered.**

Marketing material will not be considered by the selection committee in recommending an award. The Federal Tax I.D. Number must be included on the application and all questions must be answered, if applicable. **Any incomplete applications will be disqualified.** Neither marketing material nor exhibits will suffice as an answer to any question. Applications seeking an award for costs of an ongoing operation will not be considered.

The applications and any exhibits accompanying the application form will constitute an application packet and will be the only documents considered by the selection committee in recommending an organization for an award by the Tribal Council of the Picayune Rancheria. The Council's decision will be final and the awards will be announced on or before the **3<sup>rd</sup> WEEK OF APRIL**. Application packets will not be returned.

Grant requests must be in an amount of **\$25,000.00** or more. Special consideration will be given to those applications that indicate the applicant will be matching the grant funds for a particular project. However, matching funds are not mandatory. **Qualified applicants will be limited to agencies, schools, and non-profit organizations located in Madera County.**

Again, thank you for your interest in the Community Grant Program.

Sincerely,

Tom Wheeler  
Chairman