

Region V Systems is announcing its FY 18-19 funding cycle for the Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) Grant process. This year there is \$10,000 available for grants in the amount of \$1,000 to \$1,500 each. The purpose of CLAS Grants is to support the efforts of behavioral health providers, and other agencies that work with them, to meet the cultural and linguistic needs of consumers, especially through multi-agency collaborations and partnerships. The intent of the funds is to help initiate programs, organizations, and community coalitions to develop comprehensive approaches to meeting behavioral health consumers' cultural and linguistic needs.

Interested parties may apply for these grants by completing the attached CLAS Grant *Letter of Interest*; the form may also be downloaded from Region V Systems' web site at:

<http://region5systems.net/whats-happening/grants/clas-grants/>

The *Letter of Interest* is due on or before May 21, 2018, and can be mailed, e-mailed, or faxed to:

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The CLAS Grant Application will be e-mailed to organizations that have submitted a *Letter of Interest*. While all eligible projects will be considered, priority funding will go to those that address priority areas and other criteria listed on the *General Information Sheet* (also attached and on website).

If you have any questions regarding the CLAS Grants, please contact Sandy Morrissey at 402-441-4368 or [smorrissey@region5systems.net](mailto:smorrissey@region5systems.net).