## **SCCAR Housing Foundation Grants**

The Santa Cruz County Association of Realtors Housing Foundation is a local, non-profit organization focused on providing funds to help low income individuals and families become homeowners through our Closing Costs Grants Programs. These programs are for buyers purchasing a primary residence in Santa Cruz County.

For more information, go to http://www.sccarhf.org

## What are they?

- Closing costs: Currently \$2,500 for the purchase of a single family residence, condo or townhome
- Closing costs: Currently \$1,000 for the purchase of a manufactured/mobile home (in a park acceptable only if the buyer will own a share in the park in which they are purchasing)
- Community Heroes: An additional grant, currently \$2,500 for buyers who qualify for the Closing Costs Grant and are employed as first responders. Including, but not limited to Police, Firefighters, EMT's, and Military/Veterans.

## Who can apply?

• Buyer must meet income limits based on family size, as follows:

Family size Maximum annual income

- Buyer must live or work in Santa Cruz County.
- Buyer cannot have owned any real property at any location for the 3 years prior to close of escrow on the purchase.
- Buyer must be in escrow to purchase.

## How can I get started?

- If you're a first time buyer that fits the above criteria, ask your local Realtor or Lender to help you with the application.
- View our website: http://www.sccarhf.org
- Find us on Facebook! <u>https://www.facebook.com/sccarhf</u>
- Call 831-464-2000

Other ways to help:

- Don't keep us a secret! Spread the word of these available grants with any other first time buyers in Santa Cruz County.
- Participate! Our biggest fundraiser for the Foundation is "A Taste of Santa Cruz" held each annually at the Santa Cruz Museum of Art History.