



# COMAL COUNTY

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## PUBLIC INFORMATION

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### **Applications accepted for family protection fee funds**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, FEBRUARY 3, 2017:**

*NEW BRAUNFELS* — Service providers and nonprofit organizations are invited to apply for funds collected by Comal County through the family protection fee. The deadline is March 1.

Under state law, Comal County charges a \$15 family protection fee in each divorce case filed in its district courts. This fee is used to support service providers and nonprofit organizations that assist with preventing family violence and child abuse, and providing intervention, family strengthening, mental health, counseling, legal and marriage preservation services to families in need of them.

A committee appointed by the Commissioners Court advises the court on which organizations qualify to receive funding from the collected fees under the Texas Government Code.

This year nearly \$8,000 in family protection fees will be distributed to qualifying service providers and nonprofit organizations.

Click below to learn more about who is eligible and how to apply for a portion of the funds:  
[http://co.comal.tx.us/Orders/Family\\_Protection\\_Fee.pdf](http://co.comal.tx.us/Orders/Family_Protection_Fee.pdf).

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