



**DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
June 09, 2020**

Directors Present via Video Conference	District Staff Present via Video Conference	Absent
Chair Evett PerezGil Vice-President Karen Borja Director Carole Rogers, RN Nicolas Behrman, Community Member Luciano Crespo, Community Member Allen Howe, Community Member	Conrado E. Bárzaga, MD, Chief Executive Officer Chris Christensen, Chief Administration Officer Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer Alejandro Espinoza, Program Officer and Director of Outreach Meghan Kane, Programs and Research Analyst Erica Huskey, Administrative and Programs Assistant Andrea S. Hayles, Clerk of the Board	Thomas Thetford, Community Member

AGENDA ITEMS	DISCUSSION	ACTION
I. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 12:09 p.m. by Chair PerezGil.	
II. Approval of Agenda	Chair PerezGil asked for a motion to approve the agenda.	Moved and seconded by Community Member Howe and Vice-President Borja to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.
III. Meeting Minutes 1. May 12, 2020	Chair PerezGil asked for a motion to approve the May 12, 2020 minutes.	Moved and seconded by Vice-President Borja and Community Member Crespo to approve the May 12, 2020 meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.
IV. Public Comment	There was no public comment	
V. Old Business 1. Funding Requests	Chair PerezGil provided an overview of the funding requests as illustrated in the packet. Director Rogers inquired on the funding request to Loma Linda University Medical Center Indio Children's Hospital. Dr. Bárzaga explained the email to the Board of Directors illustrating the recipients of funding from the CARES Act as published by Health and Human Services (HHS) and SAC Health System. Loma Linda received	



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<p>2. Grant Payment Schedule</p> <p>3. COVID-19 Grant Funding Update</p>	<p>\$800k in funding from the CARES Act, and Dr. Bárzaga elaborated that Desert Regional Medical Center’s Residency program will conclude at the end of the month. The Residency Program will be replaced with the Tenet Program, and the pediatric Residency Program contracted with Loma Linda.</p> <p>Chair PerezGil provided an overview of the grant payment schedule as detailed in the packet.</p> <p>Dr. Bárzaga described the spreadsheet of the COVID-19 grant funding the District has disbursed to date, further explaining each allocated line item.</p>	
<p>VI. New Business</p> <p>1. Consideration to approve Grant # 1124 University of California, Riverside (UCR) – COVID-19 Testing and Public Health Education for Farm Working Communities in the Eastern Coachella Valley – \$149,976</p>	<p>Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer, provided an overview of the grant request from University of California Riverside (UCR), School of Medicine for COVID-19 testing and public health education in Mecca, Thermal, Oasis, and Northshore.</p> <p>Ann Cheney, Ph.D, UCR School of Medicine, Dept. of Social Medicine & Population Health, provided an overview of the grant request, also explaining that the county is providing test kits and personal protective equipment (PPE) to UCR if the grant is awarded, focusing on providing medical care to</p>	<p>Moved and seconded by Vice-President Borja and Director Rogers to approve Grant #1124 – University of California, Riverside (UCR) – COVID-19 Testing and Public Health Education for Farm Working Communities in the Eastern Coachella Valley – \$149,976 and forward to the Board for approval.</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously.</p>



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	<p>residents of the eastern Coachella Valley, and Spanish speaking farmworkers.</p> <p>Lucero Vaca, Program Coordinator, UCR School of Medicine, Dept. of Social Medicine & Population Health provided additional details of the COVID-19 testing and public health education.</p>	
<p>VII. Committee Members Comments</p>	<p>Director Rogers described the remaining grant funding, and moving forward, the District should have a procedure for more outreach of grants, especially for COVID-19, to support more nonprofits in the east valley.</p> <p>Vice-President Borja explained that the Desert Sun reported an increase in positive COVID tests in the city of Coachella, including with the current protests, inquiring if it is possible to provide mobile partners at the protests locations before and after for testing purposes.</p> <p>Linda Evans, Chief Strategy Officer, Desert Care Network, Desert Regional Hospital, explained that there is a small increase in hospitalization numbers due to transfers from other areas. Messaging from the District would assist with the fundamentals of once more, flattening the curve.</p>	
<p>V. Adjournment</p>	<p>Chair PerezGil adjourned the meeting at 12:52 p.m.</p>	<p>Audio recording available on the website at http://dhcd.org/Agendas-and-Documents</p>



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Evett PerezGil, Chair/Director
Program Committee

Minutes respectfully submitted by Andrea S. Hayles, Clerk of the Board