



**DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT  
PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING  
MEETING MINUTES  
December 08, 2020**

<b>Directors Present via Video Conference</b>	<b>District Staff Present via Video Conference</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Chair Evett PerezGil Vice-President Karen Borja Director Carole Rogers, RN	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	

<b>AGENDA ITEMS</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>I. Call to Order</b>	The meeting was called to order at 12:02 p.m. by Chair PerezGil.	
<b>II. Approval of Agenda</b>	Chair PerezGil asked for a motion to approve the agenda.	<b>Moved and seconded by Vice-President Borja and Director Rogers to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.</b>
<b>III. Meeting Minutes</b> <b>1. November 10, 2020</b>	Chair PerezGil asked for a motion to approve the November 10, 2020 meeting minutes.	<b>Moved and seconded by Director Rogers and Vice-President Borja to approve the November 10, 2020 meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.</b>
<b>IV. Public Comment</b>	There was no public comment	
<b>V. Old Business</b>		
<b>1. Funding Requests</b>	Chair PerezGil summarized the funding requests, progress and final reports schedule, and the grants payment schedule.	
<b>2. Progress and Final Reports Schedule</b>	Vice-President Borja inquired on One Future Coachella Valley's progress report, Well in the Desert's mini grant request, Clinicas de Salud's Rapid ID Now testing, and Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) \$700k funding match request to sustain the CV Housing First Program, which	
<b>3. Grants Payment Schedule</b>		



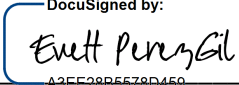
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	Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer responded.	
<b>VI. Program Staff Updates</b> <b>1. Coachella Valley Housing Catalyst Fund – A Bold Housing Investment Solution, Lift to Rise &amp; Riverside County Housing Authority</b>	<p>Dr. Bárzaga, CEO, explained the Workshop on Housing as a Social Determinant of Health and its impact on the Coachella Valley, introducing Heather Vaikona, CEO, Lift to Rise, who provided an overview of the team’s previous presentation of the Housing Catalyst Fund.</p> <p>The Catalyst team answered questions of the committee members, for instance, Vice-President Borja’s concerns with development, such as whether the units will remain vacant, used for Airbnb purposes, and the non-profit status of the developers and other entities.</p>	
<b>VII. Grant Funding Requests</b> <b>1. Voices for Children – Consideration to approve Grant #1149 – \$40,000 for the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) Program</b>	<p>Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer, described the grant request for Voices for Children to assist 2,000 youth in the Coachella Valley.</p> <p>Jessica Munoz, Voices for Children, described the program’s growth with virtual volunteer training to serve additional children, and the request to assist additional youth in the Valley.</p>	<b>Moved and seconded by Vice-President and Director Rogers to approve Grant #1149 – \$40,000 for the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) Program. Motion passed unanimously.</b>
<b>VII. Committee Members Comments</b>	Director Rogers explained that at the last Board meeting, the staff clarified that community members would join the Program Committee for specific	



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	grant requests. Dr. Brzsaga described the new policy to eliminate the community members on all committees, but the committee will encourage public participation per the policy, and staff will reach out to experts when appropriate to review grants for input and feedback.	
<b>V. Adjournment</b>	Chair PerezGil adjourned the meeting at 1:23 p.m.	<b>Audio recording available on the website at <a href="http://dhcd.org/Agendas-and-Documents">http://dhcd.org/Agendas-and-Documents</a></b>

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 ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Evett PerezGil, Chair/Director  
 Program Committee

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