



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

<b>Directors &amp; Community Members Present</b>	<b>District Staff Present via Video Conference</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Chair, Evett PerezGil Director Carole Rogers, RN	Conrado E. Brzsaga, MD, Chief Executive Officer Chris Christensen, CAO Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer Alejandro Espinoza, Program Officer and Director of Outreach Meghan Kane, Programs and Research Analyst Erica Huskey, Administrative and Program Assistant Andrea S. Hayles, Clerk of the Board	Vice- President Karen Borja

<b>AGENDA ITEMS</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>I. Call to Order</b>	The meeting was called to order at 1:23 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 minutes.	<b>Moved and seconded by Vice-President Borja and Director Rogers to approve the November 10, 2020 meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.</b>
<b>IV. Public Comment</b>	There was no public comment.	
<b>V. New Business</b>  <b>1. United Way of the Desert Equity Fund</b>	Dr. Brzsaga, CEO, explained that there is no new information on the equity fund since his prior conversation with Kristal Granados, Executive Directors, United Way of the Desert, but the Inland Empire has an interest in creating a collaborative fund for black communities. The equity fund would address needs outside of healthcare with discussions on how the District can support the work and continue to maintain the efforts to address access to healthcare.	



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<p><b>VI. Old Business</b></p> <p><b>1. Coachella Valley Equity Collaborative</b> <b>a. Public Health Institute Grant</b></p> <p><b>2. Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) \$700,000 Letter of Intent Match for the CV Housing First Program</b></p> <p><b>3. Homelessness Initiative</b></p> <p><b>4. Update – Advancing the District’s Role in Addressing the Healthcare Needs of Black Communities in the Coachella Valley</b> <b>a. Request for Proposals (RFP) –</b></p>	<p>Alejandro Espinoza, Program Officer and Director of Outreach, provided an overview of the Coachella Valley Equity Collaborative and the success in educating and scheduling events for COVID testing in the East Valley, and a subcommittee for educating the community with PSA’s, social media platforms, and promotoras’.</p> <p>Dr. Bárzaga, CEO, explained that an additional \$500k from the Public Health Institute to help expand the work and allocate resources while continuing to work with the promotoras for case management services and timeliness during which the community awaits results from COVID testing.</p> <p>Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer, explained that the LOI matching request from the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) was discussed in the District with the additional funding requests.</p> <p>There were no new updates on the homelessness initiative.</p> <p>Dr. Bárzaga, CEO, described the proposals received to address the healthcare needs of the black communities in the Coachella Valley, the community review of the proposals, including Chair PerezGil, and the feedback forum recommending</p>	
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<p><b>Updated Timeline</b> – Access to Healthcare Strategies - \$575,000 (\$400,000 DHCD + \$100,000 Inland Empire Health Plan (IEHP) + \$75,000 Lift to Rise)</p> <p><b>b. Expanding Racial Diversity in the Health Profession Workforce – \$100,000 OneFuture Coachella Valley Black and African American Healthcare Student Scholarships</b></p> <p><b>5. Grant Payment Schedule</b></p>	<p>rejecting the proposal and reopening the RFP process.</p> <p>Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer, described the scope of work received from OneFuture and the upcoming meeting for review with questions and recommended modifications.</p> <p>There were no questions of the committee members concerning the grant payment schedule.</p>	
<p><b>VII. Committee Member Comments</b></p>	<p>There were no committee member comments.</p>	
<p><b>VIII. Adjournment</b></p>	<p>Chair PerezGil adjourned the meeting at 1:44 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Audio recording available on the website at <a href="http://dhcd.org/Agendas-and-Documents">http://dhcd.org/Agendas-and-Documents</a></b></p>

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 Evelt PerezGil, Chair/Director Program Committee

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