

### DESERT HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION PROGRAM COMMITTEE Program Committee Meeting March 14, 2023 5:30 P.M.

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Page(s)		AGENDA	Item Type
	I.	<b>Call to Order –</b> President Evett PerezGil, Committee Chairperson	
1-2	II.	Approval of Agenda	Action
3-5	III.	Meeting Minutes 1. February 14, 2023	Action
	IV.	Public Comments At this time, comments from the audience may be made on items <u>not</u> listed on the agenda that are of public interest and within the subject-matter jurisdiction of the District. The Committee has a policy of limiting speakers to not more than three minutes. The Committee cannot take action on items not listed on the agenda. Public input may be offered on an agenda item when it comes up for discussion and/or action.	
	V.	Old Business	
6-7		<ol> <li>Grant Payment Schedules</li> <li>Coachella Valley Equity Collaborative         <ul> <li>Vaccination, Education, and Outreach</li> </ul> </li> <li>Advancing the District's Role in Addressing the Healthcare Needs of Black Communities in the Coachella Valley</li> </ol>	Information Information Information
8-14		<ul> <li>a. Improving Access to Healthcare in DHGE <ul> <li>January 2023 Report – Borrego Health</li> <li>Foundation</li> </ul> </li> <li>a. Black and African American Healthcare scholarship program</li> </ul>	



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#### VI. Program Updates

1. None at this time

#### VII. Behavioral Health Initiative

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 Fentanyl Crisis Reduction Efforts in the Coachella Valley – Riverside County University Health Systems (RUHS) Riverside Overdose Data to Action (RODA) Community Action Plan

#### VIII. Committee Member Comments

## IX. Adjournment

Next Scheduled Meeting April 11, 2023

The undersigned certifies that a copy of this agenda was posted in the front entrance to the Desert Healthcare District offices located at 1140 North Indian Canyon Drive, Palm Springs, California, and the front entrance of the Desert Healthcare District ( located at the Regional Access Project Foundation, 41550 Eclectic Street, Suite G 100, Palm Desert California at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

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Andrea S. Hayles

Andrea S. Hayles, Board Relations Officer



## DESERT HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING MEETING MINUTES February 14, 2023

<b>Directors &amp; Community Members Present</b>	District Staff Present via Video Conference	Absent
President Evett PerezGil	Conrado E. Bárzaga, MD, Chief Executive	Alejandro
Vice-President Carmina Zavala, PsyD	Officer	Espinoza,
Director Leticia De Lara, MPA	Chris Christensen, CAO	Chief of
	Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer	Community
	Jana Trew, Senior Program Officer, Behavioral	Engagement
	Health	
	Meghan Kane, MPH, Senior Program Officer,	
	Public Health	
	Andrea S. Hayles, Board Relations Officer	

AGENDA ITEMS	DISCUSSION	ACTION
I. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 5:29 p.m. by Chair PerezGil.	
II. Approval of Agenda	Chair PerezGil asked for a motion to approve the agenda.	Moved and seconded by Director De Lara and Vice-President Zavala to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.
III. Meeting Minutes 1. January 10, 2023	Chair PerezGil asked for a motion to approve the January 10, 2023, meeting minutes.	Moved and seconded by Director De Lara and Vice-President Zavala to approve the January 10, 2023, meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously
IV. Public Comment	There was no public comment.	
V. Old Business 1. Grant Payment Schedules	Chair PerezGil inquired with the committee concerning any questions related to the grant payment schedules. There were no questions or comments.	
2. Coachella Valley Equity Collaborative a. Vaccination, Education, and Outreach	Alejandro Espinoza, Chief of Community Engagement, did not provide an update on the Coachella Valley Equity Collaborative due to his absence.	



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3. Advancing the District's Role in Addressing the Healthcare Needs of Black Communities in the Coachella Valley – Update	Chair PerezGil inquired with the committee concerning any questions about Borrego Health Community Foundation's December report for improving access to healthcare in Desert Highland Gateway Estates.	
a. Access to Healthcare – Borrego Health Foundation	There were no questions or comments.	
b. Black and African American Healthcare Scholarship Program	Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer, described the timeline for the OneFuture Coachella Valley scholarship grant, detailing the application process, scholarship committee, the student's participation in the scholarship leadership program, and the projected June awards ceremony. In response to the committee's inquiry, Dr. Bárzaga, CEO, described the efforts of a more comprehensive nursing program in collaboration with the College of the Desert and other local agencies seeking to hire nurses. Staff will present a Board report once additional information is available.	
VI. Program Updates		
1. Progress and Final Reports Update	Chair PerezGil inquired with the committee concerning any questions related to the progress and final reports update.	
	There were no questions or comments.	



### DESERT HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING MEETING MINUTES

#### February 14, 2023

VII. Behavioral Health Initiative	Jana Trew, Trew, Senior Program	
	Officer, Behavioral Health,	
	described the Behavioral Health	
	staff report and inquired with	
	the committee concerning any	
	questions.	
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	There were no questions or	
	comments.	
VIII. Committee Member	Director De Lara reported on the	
Comments	January 27 Farm Worker	
	Appreciation Event in Mecca,	
	thanking the staff and Director	
	Barraza for attending. Alejandro	
	Espinoza, Chief of Community	
	Engagement, accompanied	
	Director De Lara to the Galilee	
	Center's groundbreaking	
	ceremony in Mecca to expand	
	agricultural workers dormitory.	
IX. Adjournment	Chair PerezGil adjourned the	Audio recording available on the
	meeting at 5:38 p.m.	website at http://dhcd.org/Agendas-
		and-Documents

ATTEST:

Evett PerezGil, Chair/President, Board of Directors Program Committee

Minutes respectfully submitted by Andrea S. Hayles, Board Relations Officer

	DESERT HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION										
	OUTSTANDING GRANTS AND GRANT PAYMENT SCHEDUL	E									
	February 28, 2023										
	TWELVE MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 2023										
6/30/2022 New Grants 2/28/2023											
VC 2190 and A/C 2186-Long term					Open	Current Yr	Total F	aid	í	Open	
Grant ID Nos.	Name			B	ALANCE	2022-2023	July-J	ine	B	ALANCE	
Health Portal	Remaining Collective Funds-Mayor's Race & DHCF			\$	67,117		\$ 40	,355	\$	26,762	HP-cvHIP
BOD - 04/24/18 & 06/28/22	Behavioral Health Initiative Collective Fund + Expansion			\$	3,297,169		\$ 470	,972	\$	2,826,197	Behavioral Health
BOD - 06/26/18 BOD	Avery Trust Funds-Committed to Pulmonary services			\$	720,282		\$ 180	,584	\$	539,698	Avery Trust
BOD - 6/25/19 BOD (#1006)	DHCD - Homelessness Initiative Collective Fund			\$	94,057		\$	-	\$	94,057	Homelessness
BOD - 02/23/21 BOD (#1148)	OneFuture - Black and African American Healthcare Scholarship - 2 yrs			\$	65,000		\$ 45	,000	\$	20,000	
BOD - 07/27/21 BOD (#1288)	Borrego Community - Improving Access to Healthcare - 3 yrs			\$	545,000		\$ 76	,241	\$	468,759	
F&A - 6/11/19, 6/09/20, 6/22/21 Res. NO. 21-02, 22-17	Prior Year Commitments & Carry-Over Funds			\$	1,544,156		\$	-	\$	1,544,156	
									i		
TOTAL GRANTS				\$	6,332,781	\$-	\$ 813	,152	\$	5,519,629	
									i		
Summary: As of 02/28/2023		l	Uncommitted & Available					i			
Health Portal (CVHIP):	\$ 26,762	\$	\$ 26,762		26,762				i		
Behavioral Health Initiative Collective Fund	\$ 2,826,197	\$			905,028				i		
Avery Trust - Pulmonary Services	\$ 539,698	\$			485,562				1		
West Valley Homelessness Initiative	\$ 94,057	\$			71,557				i		
Healthcare Needs of Black Communities	\$ 488,759	\$			-				í T		
Prior Year Commitments & Carry-Over Funds	\$ 1,544,156	\$			1,544,156				1		
Total	\$ 5,519,629	\$			3,033,065				i		
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Amts available/remaining for Grant/Programs - FY 2022-2	3:			FY2	3 Grant Bud	lget	Social So	ervice	s Fu	nd #5054	
Amount budgeted 2022-2023		\$	530,000	\$	500,000		Bu	dget	\$	60,000	1
Amount granted year to date		\$	-	\$	30,000	C	RMC Aux	iliary	\$	14,000	Spent YTD
Mini Grants:							Eisenh	ower	\$	6,000	Spent TD
Net adj - Grants not used:						Bala	nce Avai	able	\$	40,000	
Contributions / Additional Funding									1		
Prior Year Commitments & Carry-Over Funds	FY19-20 \$284,156; FY20-21 \$730,000; FY21-22 \$530,000	\$	1,544,156	1					i		
Balance available for Grants/Programs		\$	2,074,156						i		

	DESERT HEAL	THCARE		ATION								
	OUTSTANDING PASS-THROUGH G	RANTS	AND GR	ANT PAYME	INT S	SCHEDULE						
	Febr	ruary 28,	2023									
	FISCAL YEAR ENDING	G JUNE 3	30, 2023							2/28/2023		
				TOTAL	6/30/2022					ELC3 Funds	ELC	C3 Funds
A/C 2183				Grant		Open	Current Yr	Tota	al Paid/Accrued	Payable	Re	maining
Grant ID Nos.	Name				В	BALANCE	2022-2023		July-June	BALANCE	BA	ALANCE
BOD - 10/20/20 - Contract #21-024	Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act and Center for Disease Control and Prevention Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) Enhancing Detection funding from Riverside County - \$2.4 Million (\$1,960,000 for grants)											
BOD - 03/23/21 (#1275)	Lideres Campesinas, Inc Take It to the Fields Initiative			\$ 125,000	\$	35,000		\$	35,000	\$-		
BOD - 04/26/22 - Contract Amendment*	Center for Disease Control and Prevention Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) Enhancing Detection funding from Riverside County - \$750,000 (\$625,000 for grants) (Reimbursement Grant)											
BOD - 03/23/21 (#1268)	El Sol Neighborhood Educational Center - Coachella Valley COVID-19 Collabor	rative		\$ 170,000	\$	40,305		\$	134,920	\$ 35,045	\$	35
BOD - 03/23/21 (#1269)	Alianza Coachella Valley - ECV COVID-19 STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS F	PLAN		\$ 50,000	\$	6,901		\$	27,511	\$ 22,489	\$	0
BOD - 03/23/21 (#1270)	Galilee Center - Emergency Services			\$ 70,000	\$	37,144		\$	67,149	\$ 2,851	\$	-
BOD - 03/23/21 (#1272)	Youth Leadership Institute - COVID-19 ECV Collaborative			\$ 35,000	\$	5,153		\$	29,896	\$ 4,229	\$	875
BOD - 03/23/21 (#1274)	Todec Legal Center Perris - Sembrando Prevencion			\$ 300,000	\$	48,688		\$	159,906	\$ 140,094	\$	0
TOTAL GRANTS				\$ 625,000	\$	173,191	\$-	\$	454,381	\$ 204,708		
ELC Amendment	Passthrough to Community Based Organizations			\$ 625,000		138,191		\$	419,381		-	910
T	CARES/ELC Administrative Costs			\$ 125,000		30,414		\$	98,199	. ,		(0)
Total ELC Amendment				\$ 750,000	\$	168,605	<b>\$</b> -	\$	517,580		\$	910
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Amts available/remaining for Grant/Programs -	FY 2022-23:	<b>6</b> 4	105 000		<u> </u>					\$ -		
Amount granted year to date			485,899		<u> </u>			Grant Funds				
Foundation Administration Costs	ELC2 Amondment \$750,000		94,586		-		F 1 O 1 O		CARES/ELC	ELC Amend		
Contributions / Additional Funding	ELC3 Amendment \$750,000	\$ (5 ¢	580,485)				Total Grant	\$	2,400,000			
Balance available for Grants/Programs		•	-		<u> </u>		Received to Date		2,400,000			
"Contract #21-024 Amendment is on a reimbursem	ent basis and will reflect expenses as they are invoiced and receivable from Cou	unty of Riv	verside.				Balance Remaining	\$	-	\$ 218,598		



**Report Period:** 01/01/2022 - 01/31/2022(Monthly report due the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month)

Report by: Heidi Galicia, Dir. School Base Health / Mobile Services

#### **Program/Project Information:**

Grant # 1288	
Project Title:	Improving Access to Healthcare in Desert Highland Gateway Estates
Start Date:	07/01/2021
End Date:	06/30/2024
Term:	36 Months
Grant Amount:	\$575,000
Executive Summary:	Borrego Health is committed to providing and increasing access to healthcare services for those living in Desert Highland
Gateway Estates and th	he surrounding communities. This funding will provide support for a pilot mobile services program and begin to assess the
sustainability of a more	permanent healthcare program within the community. It is anticipated that 2,913 medical and dental visits will be
conducted with part-tim	e mobile services in the community.

Goal	Goal/ Objective/ Other Topics	Successes, Emergent Issues, Challenges Findings, and Supporting Information (Graphs, reports, indicator results, etc.)
1. collaboration	Through a multifaceted approach, Borrego Health intends to develop a collaborative relationship with the DHG Health and Wellness Committee. The team is committee to participation in meetings as desired by the committee to ensure open dialogue as to the perceptions of health issues. The committee will be informed of all planned schedules and activities on a monthly basis in advance to encourage support and participation. Any changes will be clearly communicated to avoid any misunderstanding.	<ul> <li>The Borrego Mobile team and leadership continue to fully engage and regularly meet with members of the Desert Highland Gateway Estates Wellness committee to provide updates regarding the utilization of services, activities, and challenges. The goal is to encourage support and seek input and ideas from the neighborhood/community leaders to improve awareness and utilization of available services.</li> <li>During this reporting period Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer for the Desert Health Care District requested an in-person meeting which was held at the James O Jessie Center on January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Meeting participants included:</li> <li>Conrado Barzaga, Chief Executive Officer - Desert Healthcare District Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer – Desert Healthcare District</li> <li>Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer – Desert Healthcare District</li> <li>Alejandro Espinoza, Chief of Community Engagement – Desert Healthcare District</li> <li>Evett PerezGil, President of the Board of Directors – Desert Healthcare District</li> <li>Grace Garner, Mayor Pro Tem City of Palm Springs</li> <li>Dr. Gemma Kim, Chief Academic Officer – Desret Physicians Medical Group</li> <li>Jarvis Crawford, Community Center Manager – James o Jessie Community Center</li> <li>Corina Velasquez, Chief Operating Officer – Borrego Health</li> <li>Nereida Terrazas, Vice President of Clinical Operations – Borrego Health</li> <li>Heidi Galicia, Director of School Base Health and Mobile Services, Borrego Health</li> </ul>



Goal	Goal/ Objective/ Other Topics	Successes, Emergent Issues, Challenges Findings, and Supporting Information (Graphs, reports, indicator results, etc.)
		<ul> <li>Meeting Highlights:</li> <li>Donna Craig opened the meeting by stating there was no set agenda but rather they wanted an opportunity to hear from Borrego as to the status of the bankruptcy proceedings and how this could affect the Mobile Services at the Desert Highland Gateway Community.</li> <li>Corina Velasquez provided an overview of what led to the filing of bankruptcy as well as an update regarding its status. Corina also shared that Borrego Health is also exploring the possibility of transferring its operations to another federally qualified health center. Currently, interested FQHCs are undergoing a bid process, Borrego Health's board of trustees will then select an initial bid, while other FQHCs will have an opportunity to improve their bid, and a final bid winner will be later announced in the month of February. Once there is a selected FQHC, a formal notice will be submitted for approval to the Bankruptcy Court and the Health Resources and Services Administration for the transfer to proceed. Corina shared that the timeline could be six to eight months. In the meantime, Borrego Health will continue to operate as usual including fulfilling their grant commitments and providing services to the patients; they serve, at their fix sites and mobile clinics.</li> <li>Evett PerezGil shared her concerns about the uncertainty of continuing services, she stated that she fears that Borrego Health would suddenly suspend "Cut" services to the community of Desert Highland Gateway. She suggested the possibility of also having the DHCD mobile clinic and DPMG staff at the DHG community deservices so that if Borrego Health suddenly suspends services, community members would be familiar with DPMG.</li> <li>Jarvis Crawford shared that the community of Desert Highland Gateway has been kept informed and updated on the status of Borrego Health thru their monthly community meetings and information that has been shared by Heidi Galicai, the community has been very responsive with the services made available to them and</li></ul>



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		<ul> <li>Group as they now operate DHCD's mobile clinic.</li> <li>Conrado Barzaga shared that Borrego Health has a positive history with the Desert Healthcare District. He suggested not having both DPMG and Borrego Health serves the same community as this could confuse community members as well as a risk in the consistency of care as both organizations do not share medical records. Instead, he welcomed and appreciated ongoing efforts to keep lines of communication regarding the status of the organization and the continuity of care for the community, should there be a need to include DPMG in the future they could always be contacted.</li> <li>Grace Garner, shared that the city of Palm Springs will make efforts to promote the services and encourage utilization. She also appreciates Borrego Health's efforts in providing the DHG community with services that are highly needed.</li> <li>Alejandro Espinoza and Dr. Gemma Kim also welcomed the opportunity to work with Borrego Health.</li> <li>A future meeting will be held as a means to keep interested parties informed not only on the progress of the project but provide an update regarding Borrego Health.</li> </ul>



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2. services	By June 30, 2024, a minimum of 2053 patient care medical visits and 860 dental visits will be provided.	social media a churches, loca	porting period, ava and marketed thru al school districts, al number of patie period.	flyer distribution and at the Jam nts seen since t	n at local busine es O Jessie Unit he launch of ser	sses, apartmen y Center. The ta	t complexes, able below							
		Year 1 Number of Number of Total												
		Month	Patients Served	Number of Visits	Medical Visits	Dental Visits	Total Uninsured							
		July	51	52	52	0	8							
		August	59	62	62	0	19							
		September	28	31	31	0	5							
		October	33	36	36	0	13							
		November	24	27	27	0	14							
		December	91	101	101	0	31							
		January	171	200	200 200		52							
		February	24	43	43	0	4							
		March	10	30	30	0	2							
		April	28	37	37	0	6							
		Мау	14	23	23	0	3							
		June	37	41	41	0	6							
		Total	570	683	683	0	160							
				Year	r 2									
		Month	Number of Patients Served	Number of Visits	Medical Visits	Dental Visits	Total Uninsured							
		July	15	15	15	0	4							
		August	38	38	38	0	9							
		September	12	13	13	0	5							
		October	19	19	19	0	1							
		November	9	9	9	0	1							
		December	17	17	17	0	2							
		January	12	12 13		13 0								
		Total	122	124	124	0	25							



Goal	Goal/ Objective/ Other Topics	Successes, Emergent Issues, Challenges Findings, and Supporting Information (Graphs, reports, indicator results, etc.)
		The graph below represents the total visits occurred in the months of July 2021 – January 2022 vs those that occurred in July 2022 - January 2023
		2021 vs 2022
		Surge in
		Dental Services continue as reported previously as on hold due to the pandemic and the restrictive space on mobile units conceived as a higher risk of exposure. However, patients encountered during the medical mobile days are assessed for dental-related needs and referred to Borrego's nearest dental clinic, at either Centro Medico Cathedral City or DHS Health and Wellness Center depending on patient preference. This is to assure continuity of care and needs are addressed. The recent announcement from CDDPH CHCQ Centralized Program Flex, announcing Governor Newsome to end the COVID state of Emergency as early as February 28, 2023, has brought optimism to our mobile unit space. It is anticipated that Borrego Health's dental team will begin providing dental services at DHG in the month of March.



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3. Community Education Event	Conduct community education events and activities to address health care and other wellness topics	<ul> <li>mobile clinic staff has focused this month's education towards reminding the public to get their free flu shots and COVID-19 Boosters.</li> </ul>											
4. Enabling Services	By June 30, 2024, provide 600 individuals with assistance for applications, retention,	During this reporting period, Borrego Health's Mobile Services team provided medical services to two (2) uninsured patients.											
	addressing issues with their healthcare coverage and/or enabling services.	Pediatric patients who needed routine physical exams and or immunizations were granted temporary Medi-cal thru the Child Health Disability Prevention program and referred to our Care Coordinator Specialist (CCS) for permanent insurance enrollment assistance.											
		Adult and pediatric patients seen during this period who needed COVID-related services, testing, or vaccines were provided care at no cost. Adult uninsured patients were also referred to our CCS for program or insurance enrollment.											
		The table below shows the total number of patients seen since the launch of services on July 12, 2021, up to this reporting period who lacked insurance coverage and were successfully enrolled in a health program or insurance.											
		Year 1											
		Month	Total Patients Served (insured + Uninsured)	Total Visits (Insured + Uninsured)	Total Patients seen -Uninsured	Patients Enrolled in Health Insurance							
		July	51	52	8	0							
		August	59	62	19	12							
		September	28 33	31	5 13	8							
		October November	24	<u>36</u> 27	13	<u>11</u> 7							
		December			31	7							
		January	171			16							
		February	35	43	4	14							
		March			2	6							
		April	28	37	6	13							
		May	21	23	3	9							
		June	36 597	41	6 163	11 114							
	Total 597 683 163 114												



Goal	Goal/ Objective/ Other Topics	Successes, Emergent Issues, Challenges Findings, and Supporting Information (Graphs, reports, indicator results, etc.)													
		Year 2													
		Month	Total Patients Serve Month (insured + Uninsured)		+		Total Visits (Insured + Uninsured)			Total Patients seen -Uninsured			Patients Enrolled in Health Insurance		
		July		15			15			4			9		
		August September		38			38			9			4		
				12			13			5			2		
		October		19			19			1		0			
		November		9			9			1			0		
		December 17 January 12				17			2			4			
				12 122				<u>13</u> 124			3 23		0 19		
		Total		122			124			23		19			
5. Teen Health	Include a teen health component that addresses risk behaviors. By June 30, 2024, 300 unduplicated teens will have participated in educational activities or received health care services.	During this reporting period, one (1) teen was served between the age of twelve (12) to nineteen (19.													
		Year 1 -2021-2022													
			Jul	Aug	Se p	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	Jun	Total
		Number of Visits	38	36	5	15	6	10	34	6	1	10	0	21	148
		Year 2 – 2022-2023													
			Jul	Aug	Se p	Oct	Nov	Dec		Feb	Mar	April	May	Jun	Total
		Number of Visits	6	11	р 1	1	3	3	1						26
			1	<u> </u>	L	L	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	1	<u> </u>	1	1	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	



Date: March 14, 2023

To: PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Subject: Behavioral Health Strategic Plan Goal 3 Informational Update

## Staff Recommendation: Information only

## History/Background:

- The Coachella Valley Behavioral Health Collective (CVBHC) will convene on Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 2pm (via Zoom). This meeting will focus on the role of Community Health Workers (CHW) and Promotores as additional supportive services practitioners geared toward workforce expansion. There will be a round table discussion that will include a crosssection of participants from direct service providers, managed care networks, organizations that train and utilize Promotores, providers who train CHW's for certification, and our own DHCD/F Board President, Evett PerezGil.
- The District media focus for March will be centered on Women's Health supports and where to access services specific to their needs from an overall wellness perspective which includes behavioral health assistance. A secondary area of focus will identify support services related to the prevention of self-harm and assist in providing information that can support viewers in seeking help. This information will be available on the District website and social media platforms all month.
- The District Scope of Work (SOW) that was forwarded to the Riverside University Health System RUHS) Riverside Overdose Data to Action (RODA) to assist with a harm reduction awareness communication project in the City of Indio, due to high overdose and death occurrence levels impacting males ages 24-41 was approved. Project activities can now commence and will included harm reduction strategies related to the use of NARCAN as a lifesaving intervention to prevent overdose/death related to Fentanyl use and a community education aspect that will identify when to employ harm reduction strategies and provide linkage to substance/misuse disorders support services to address the addiction and reduce risk. This project will run from March 1, 2023 through to August 31, 2023.
- Fiscal Impact: None