



**DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT  
PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING  
MEETING MINUTES  
July 18, 2023**

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

<b>AGENDA ITEMS</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>I. Call to Order</b>	The meeting was called to order at 5:05 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 Director De Lara and Vice-President Zavala to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.</b>
<b>III. Meeting Minutes</b> <b>1. June 13, 2023</b>	Chair PerezGil asked for a motion to approve the June 13, 2023, meeting minutes.	<b>Moved and seconded by Director De Lara and Vice-President Zavala to approve the June 13, 2023, meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.</b>
<b>IV. Public Comment</b>	There were no public comments.	
<b>VI. CEO Report</b>	There were no updates from the CEO due to his absence.	
<b>VI. Old Business</b>  <b>1. Grant #1029 Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) - CV Link – 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2023 report</b>	Chair PerezGil inquired with the committee concerning any questions about the Coachella Valley Association of Government CV Link 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter report.  There were no questions concerning the CV Link 2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter report.	



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<p><b>VII. Program Updates</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>1. Progress and Final Reports Update</b></li><li><b>2. Grant Applications and RFP Proposals Submitted and Under Review</b></li><li><b>3. Grant Payment Schedule</b></li></ol>	<p>Chair PerezGil inquired with the committee concerning any questions about the progress and final reports, grant applications and RFP proposals submitted and under review, and the grant payment schedule.</p> <p>All grantees are on schedule with their deliverables, and the committee also inquired about the Alianza Coachella Valley progress report issues/barriers in meeting the desired outcomes of having fewer community members than anticipated, including the number of youths served as 90% of the participants. Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer, described the community outreach efforts to encourage involvement and an inquiry into the organization on the amount of youth served.</p> <p>The committee inquired about Well in the Desert's status to review the revised application, the recent announcement of the executive director's retirement, and any organizational modifications of services and operations. Ms. Craig described Matt Naylor, Vice-President of Well in the Desert, and the organization's collaboration with Connie Golds, Director of NPO Centric, assisting with strategic planning and board governance to realign the organization in a new direction.</p>	
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	<p>There were no questions concerning the grant payment schedule.</p>	
<p><b>VIII. Grant Funding</b></p> <p><b>1. Grant #1389 Step Up On Second Street \$64,401 – cover funding gap between CalAIMS service contracts (Goal 2: Proactively expand community access to primary and specialty care services/Strategy 2.7: Increase equitable access to primary and specialty care services and resources in underserved communities in the CV AND Goal #5: Be responsive to and supportive of selected community initiatives that enhance the economic stability of the district residents/Strategy 5.1: Reduce the negative impacts of social determinants of health on homelessness in CV)</b></p>	<p>Chair PerezGil recused herself from the discussion due to a conflict with the Inland Empire Health Plan (IEHP).</p> <p>Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer, directed the committee to the staff report and Step Up On Second Street’s opening of an office in the Coachella Valley, with a 90% success rate of assisting with housing unsheltered homeless. Ms. Craig also emphasized that the application scoring is updated to include a purpose with the scoring of each section.</p> <p>Public Comments: Eddie Estrada, Vice President of Inland Empire Housing First Program, described the gap funding and the strategies to work with funders concerning start-ups to sustain the program in response to the committees’ questions, including opening several hub offices in the High Desert, Morongo Basin, Perris, Victorville, Bartow, and a location in the Coachella Valley. The agency is constructing apartment conversions and an inventory of low-income housing and using motels in the interim while applying the Project Home Key model in Riverside County.</p>	<p><b>Moved and seconded by Director De Lara and Vice-President Zavala to approve Grant #1389 Step Up On Second Street \$64,401 – cover funding gap between CalAIMS service contracts and forward to the Board for approval.</b></p> <p><b>Motion passed unanimously.</b></p>



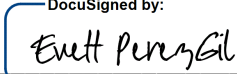
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<p><b>2. Grant #1394 CSUSB PD campus - \$73,422 Nursing Street Medicine Program (Goal 2: Proactively expand community access to primary and specialty care services/ Strategy:2.5 Collaborate/partner with culturally competent training programs to expand primary care residency and nursing program with required retention initiatives AND Strategy 2.7: utilize an equity lens to expand services and resources to underserved communities)</b></p>	<p>Michael Janz, Grant Manager, emphasized that the organization is already serving the Coachella Valley and they are not planning to expand into the Coachella Valley as the services are being provided with dedicated staff hoping to eliminate the current commute from the Inland Empire to the Coachella Valley with the opening of an office.</p> <p>The committee inquired about support from the main campus, as illustrated in the scoring.</p> <p>Public Comments: Diane Vines, Director of the Nursing Street Medicine Program, described the \$85k grant award from the dean fund of the Dean of the School of Natural Sciences to assist with support on the San Bernardino campus since Palm Desert funding is not an option, including the possibility of a grant from Dignity Health and collaborations with UCR SOM, an affiliate with St. Bernadine – a Dignity Health campus.</p> <p>Michelle Skiljan, Senior Director of Philanthropy, Foundation, and Corporate Relations, described working to seek additional funds with full support from other development and advancement staff to complete the program.</p>	<p><b>Moved and seconded by Director De Lara and Vice-President Zavala to approve Grant #1394 CSUSB PD campus - \$73,422 Nursing Street Medicine Program and forward to the Board for approval. Motion passed unanimously.</b></p>
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<b>IX. Committee Members Comments</b>	There were no public comments.	
<b>X. Adjournment</b>	Chair PerezGil adjourned the meeting at 5:38 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/ President, Board of Directors  
 Program Committee

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