



**DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT  
PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING  
MEETING MINUTES  
June 11, 2019**

<b>Directors Present</b>	<b>District Staff Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Chair, Carole Rogers, RN – <i>Video Conference</i> Director Evett PerezGil Vice-President Leticia De Lara Nicolas Behrman, Community Member Lucian Crespo, Community Member Thomas Smith, Community Member	Chris Christensen, Interim CEO, CFO Donna Craig, Senior Program Officer Alejandro Espinoza, Program Officer and Outreach Director Meghan Kane, Community Health Analyst Andrea S. Hayles, Clerk of the Board	Thomas Thetford, Community Member

<b>AGENDA ITEMS</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>I. Call to Order</b>	The meeting was called to order at 12:06 p.m. by Chair Rogers.	
<b>II. Approval of Agenda</b>	Since Chair Rogers participated via video conference, she asked Vice-President De Lara to conduct the meeting.  Vice-President De Lara asked for a motion to approve the agenda.	<b>Moved and seconded by Director Rogers and Director PerezGil to approve the agenda.            Motion passed unanimously.</b>
<b>III. Meeting Minutes</b> <b>1. May 16, 2019</b>	Chair Rogers asked for a motion to approve the minutes.	<b>Moved and seconded by Director Rogers and Director PerezGil to approve the meeting minutes.            Motion passed unanimously.</b>
<b>IV. Public Comment</b>	None	
<b>V. Old Business</b>  <b>1. Grant Proposals Under Development</b>	Donna Craig, Senior Program Officer, explained that the grant proposals under development are included in the packet for review, and inquired on any questions or concerns.	
<b>VI. New Business</b>  <b>1. Letter of Intent #1005 – Lift to Rise</b>	Vice-President De Lara recused herself and left the room since the Regional Access Project	



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	<p>(RAP) Foundation is a fiscal agent for Lift to Rise, and she is its CEO.</p> <p>Chris Christensen, Interim District CEO, described the discussions for a collaborative on the Homelessness Initiative and the Housing Community Action Network (CAN) to establish 10,000 affordable units over a 10-year period. Mr. Christensen explained that Lift to Rise withdrew the original request with the Homelessness Initiative, and Lift to Rise's Letter of Interest seeks funding to support the resident engagement, communications and staffing capacity. Staff recommends working with Lift to Rise on the Health Community Action Network (CAN) and the District's healthy eating and active living focus area that coincide with the strategic plan.</p> <p>Heather Vaikona, Executive Director, Lift to Rise, described the organization and support from the Desert Healthcare District. Ms. Vaikona explained the collaborations with Feeding America to support the ongoing work to build out the resident engagements, communications, and staffing capacity with a revised grant request.</p> <p>Director PerezGil recommends continuing with the District's grant policy for more measurables of action in the Coachella Valley and working</p>	
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<p>2. <b>Grant #1006 - Desert Healthcare Foundation – Homelessness Initiative Collective Fund - \$1,000,000</b></p> <p>3. <b>Census 2020 – Coachella Valley Regional Roundtable</b></p> <p>4. <b>Facility site visit of grant recipients</b></p>	<p>toward the healthy eating and active living components.</p> <p>The committee directed staff to work with Lift to Rise on the next phase and provide a full grant application at the July Program Committee meeting.</p> <p>Chris Christensen, Interim CEO, explained grant request #1006 for \$1M from the Desert Healthcare District describing the background of the 2017 Homelessness Initiative collective fund. Over the course of 2 years, the funds have been distributed as matching funds to Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) to assist with the CV Housing First program. Staff is proposing an ongoing process to fund the Foundation’s collective, which currently has a \$70k balance, and use the funds in the new fiscal year.</p> <p>Meghan Kane, Health Policy Analyst, provided an overview of the stakeholder convenings and preliminary strategies of Census 2020.</p> <p>Chris Christensen, Interim CEO, described the site visits of potential grantees and continuing with the guidelines of AB2019.</p>	<p><b>Moved and seconded by Director PerezGil and Vice-President De Lara to approve Grant #1006 – Desert Healthcare Foundation – Homelessness Initiative Collective Fund and forward to the Board for approval.</b></p> <p><b>Motion passed unanimously.</b></p> <p><b>Moved and seconded by Nicolas Behrman (Community Member) and Chair Rogers to approve Allen Howe’s volunteer community member appointment to the Program Committee and forward to the Board for approval.</b></p>
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<p><b>5. Interviews to consider the appointment of one additional Volunteer Community Member</b></p>	<p>Chair Rogers recommended a monthly tour of a grant-funded facility or on an as-needed basis.</p> <p>Director PerezGil exited the meeting at 1:42 p.m.</p> <p>Allen Howe, Palm Springs resident, provided an overview of his background in healthcare administration and city government.</p> <p>Christine Anderson, Rancho Mirage resident, was not available for a telephone interview due to a scheduling conflict. Ms. Anderson expressed interest in a future interview. The committee recommended Ms. Anderson interview at the July meeting for consideration of an appointment to an alternate list of community members since the current 5 positions have been filled.</p>	<p><b>Motion passed unanimously.</b></p>
<p><b>VII. Committee Member Comments</b></p>	<p>There were no committee member comments.</p>	
<p><b>V. Adjournment</b></p>	<p>Chair Rogers adjourned the meeting at 2:00 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>

ATTEST: Carole Rogers  
 Carole Rogers, RN, Chair/Director  
 Program Committee

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