



**DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
December 12, 2019**

Directors Present	District Staff Present	Absent
Chair, Carole Rogers, RN Vice-President Leticia De Lara Director Evett PerezGil Allen Howe, Community Member Nicolas Behrman, Community Member Luciano Crespo, Community Member Thomas Smith, Community Member Christine Anderson, Alternate	Conrado E. Bárzaga, MD, Chief Executive Officer Chris Christensen, Chief Administration Officer Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer Alejandro Espinoza, Program Officer and Outreach Director Meghan Kane, Programs and Research Analyst Vanessa Smith, Special Projects and Programs Manager Andrea S. Hayles, Clerk of the Board	Thomas Thetford, Community Member

AGENDA ITEMS	DISCUSSION	ACTION
I. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 12:04 p.m. by Chair Rogers	
II. Approval of Agenda	Chair Rogers asked for a motion to approve the agenda.	Moved and seconded by Director PerezGil and Community Member Howe to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.
III. Meeting Minutes 1. November 12, 2019	Chair Rogers asked for a motion to approve the November 12, 2019 minutes.	Moved and seconded by Director PerezGil and Chair Rogers to approve the November 12, 2019 meeting minutes. Motion passed. Abstain – Allen Howe
IV. Public Comment	No public comment	
V. Old Business		
1. Progress and Final Reports Update	Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer, explained that the progress and final reports are in the packet, and answered a variety of questions from the chair and committee.	
2. Community Health Needs Assessment Update	Meghan Kane, Programs and Research Analyst, explained that the Request for Proposals has ended on December 5, and the District received eight proposals. The proposals are under review	



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	<p>and will be presented to the Board at the January meeting.</p>	
<p>VI. New Business</p> <p>1. Grant Proposals</p> <p>a. Letters of Interest and Pending Applications</p>	<p>Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer, explained the pending letters of interest and applications and answered questions from the committee. Director Rogers inquired on several letters of interest and pending applications, including Loma Linda University Children's Hospital LOI regarding the need for 18,000 annual visits, and if they have submitted a plan of action. Ms. Craig explained that the grants team met with the staff at the hospital and outlined the current services. The next step is to open an urgent care facility, but they lack pediatricians. Chair Rogers recommended that staff continue to meet with Loma Linda to find solutions and that staff also continue efforts to facilitate collaborations with local pediatric providers.</p> <p>Ms. Craig also explained and clarified that the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) will be presenting a contact for approval of CV Link to the District Board of Directors.</p>	

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<p>b. Consideration to approve Grant #1043 Riverside Community Housing Corporation: Oasis Mobile Home Park Drinking Water Initiative - \$15,844</p>	<p>Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer, described the stopgap measure with a match from Riverside County to provide a mobile water station in the short-term for the residents of the Oasis Mobile Home Park to access clean water.</p> <p>Dr. Bárzaga explained that the District was not contacted by the Riverside Community Housing Corporation concerning the water distribution described in the media, the District has supported the community, and it is troublesome given the District’s outreach efforts.</p> <p>Carrie Harmon, Riverside Community Housing Corporation, explained that matters are fast-moving, the residents did not have access to water, and that many advocacy groups began to work with local politicians to obtain involvement. A staffer from the Supervisor’s office noted the Coachella Valley Water District’s board meeting agenda item; thus, they were caught off guard. However, in the future, the county will contact the District.</p> <p>Chair Rogers inquired on the next steps after March 2020 when the grant ends. Ms. Harmon explained that the filtration devices in the home would be complete by March. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has also</p>	<p>Moved and seconded by Vice-President De Lara and Community Member Behrman to approve #1043 Riverside Community Housing Corporation: Oasis Mobile Home Park Drinking Water Initiative - \$15,844 and forward to the Board for approval. Motion passed unanimously.</p>
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<p>2. Behavioral Health Initiative a. Behavioral Health Workplan</p>	<p>anticipated compliance with the filtration system by March 2020.</p> <p>Dr. Bárzaga commenced with explaining that the committee was not presented with a Foundation agenda as an oversight, but the Behavioral Health items are being presented on the District agenda. Dr. Bárzaga provided the background of the Behavioral Health Initiative explaining that after the Green Ribbon Committee, staff was instructed to incorporate the committee's outcomes, and to address the Behavioral Health needs of the Coachella Valley. A work plan has been developed that includes additional staff to fulfill the work.</p> <p>Community Member Behrman suggested including synagogues and other spiritual entities to recommendation #2.</p> <p>Community Member Smith inquired on the timeline for the accomplishments, whether it is a permanent or a temporary framework. Dr. Bárzaga explained that it is a priority of the District and will be enduring with a collective impact approach.</p> <p>Chair Rogers explained that the Clerk of the Board will be forwarding an article titled <i>Californians aren't getting the mental health care they're</i></p>	
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