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HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2021
10:00 a.m.**

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1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Christy Holstege, Mayor, City of Palm Springs

2. **ROLL CALL**
 - A. **Member Roster** P4

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

This is the time and place for members of the public to address the Homelessness Committee on agenda items. At the discretion of the Chair, comments may be taken at the time items are presented. Please limit comments to three (3) minutes.

4. **CHAIR / COMMITTEE / CVAG STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR**
 - A. **Approve the February 17, 2021 Homelessness Committee Meeting Minutes** P5
 - B. **Authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute Amendment #1 to the grant agreement with Riverside County to accept an additional \$97,000 in Homeless Emergency Aid Program funding for the CV Housing First Program** P9

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 - A. **CV Housing First: Update on 2021 progress – Tom Kirk** P10

Recommendation: Information
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Recommendation: Authorize the Executive Director to execute a memorandum of understanding with Desert Healthcare District/ Foundation to accept \$500,000 for the CV Housing First program operations
 - C. **Acceptance of Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Funding – Greg Rodriguez & Peter Satin** P19

Recommendation: Authorize the Executive Director to take the necessary steps to accept \$558,000 in Regional Early Action Planning funding, including negotiating and executing the necessary agreements with Southern California Association of Governments; and then to execute an agreement with Lift to Rise for a not-to-exceed amount of \$304,000

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8. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

This is the time and place for members of the public to address the Homelessness Committee on items of general interest within the purview of this committee. Please limit comments to two (2) minutes

9. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Upcoming Zoom Meetings:

Homelessness Committee – Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Executive Committee – Monday, April 26, 2021 at 4:30 p.m.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

ITEM 2A

**Coachella Valley Association of Governments
Homelessness Committee
Member Roster
2020- 2021**



VOTING MEMBERS	
City of Blythe	Councilmember Johnny Rodriguez
City of Cathedral City	Councilmember Mark Carnevale
City of Coachella	Mayor Pro Tem Josie Gonzalez
City of Desert Hot Springs	Councilmember Jan Pye
City of Indian Wells	Councilmember Kimberly Muzik
City of Indio	Mayor Pro Tem Waymond Fermon
City of La Quinta	Councilmember John Peña – <u>Vice Chair</u>
City of Palm Desert	Councilmember Sabby Jonathan
City of Palm Springs	Mayor Christy Holstege – <u>Chair</u>
City of Rancho Mirage	Councilmember Charles Townsend
Riverside County – District 4	Supervisor V. Manuel Perez
Desert Healthcare District	Director Carole Rogers, RN
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians	Unassigned
Cabazon Band of Mission Indians	Unassigned
Ex-Officio / Non-Voting Members	
Alice Salinas, Executive Director, Coachella Valley Housing Coalition	
Darla Burkett, Executive Director, Coachella Valley Rescue Mission	
Julie Reay, Executive Director, Home Aid Inland Empire	
Linda Barrack, Executive Director, Martha's Village and Kitchen	
Vacant, The Salvation Army	
Angelina Coe, Executive Director, Shelter from the Storm	
Additional Support Staff	
Carrie Harmon, Assistant Director Housing, Homelessness Prevention and Workforce Solutions	Dr. Conrado Bãrzaga, CEO, Desert Healthcare District
Tanya Torno, Principal Development Specialist, Housing, Homelessness Prevention and Workforce Solutions	Marcus Cannon, Behavioral Health Services Supervisor, Riverside University Health System-Behavioral Health

CVAG Staff	
Tom Kirk, Executive Director	
Erica Felci, Assistant to the Executive Director	
Greg Rodriguez, Contract Staff	
Tom Cox, Management Analyst	
Libby Carlson, Management Analyst	

ITEM 5A

**Homelessness Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2021**



The audio file for this meeting can be found at: <http://www.cvag.org/audio.htm>

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** - The February 17, 2021 meeting was called to order by Homelessness Committee Chair Christy Holstege, City of Palm Springs, at 10:00 a.m. on Zoom videoconference, pursuant to Gov. Newsom's executive order governing how public meetings are held during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 2. ROLL CALL** - Roll call was taken and it was determined that a quorum was present.

Members Present

City of Blythe
City of Cathedral City
City of Coachella
City of Desert Hot Springs
City of Indian Wells
City of La Quinta
City of Palm Desert
City of Palm Springs
City of Rancho Mirage
Riverside County- District 4
Desert Healthcare District

Councilmember Sam Burton (*arrived in 5B*)
Councilmember Ernesto Gutierrez
Councilmember Denise Delgado (*arrived in 5B*)
Councilmember Jan Pye
Councilmember Kimberly Muzik
Councilmember John Peña, Vice Chair
Councilmember Sabby Jonathan
Mayor Christy Holstege, Chair
Councilmember Charles Townsend
Assistant Director Carrie Harmon
Board Director Carole Rogers, RN

Ex-Officio Members Present

Coachella Valley Rescue Mission
Home Aid Inland Empire

Darla Burkett
Julie Reay

Members & Ex-Officios Not Present

City of Indio
Coachella Valley Housing Coalition
Martha's Village & Kitchen
Shelter from the Storm

Mayor Pro Tem Waymond Fermon
Alice Salinas
Linda Barrack
Angelina Coe

Others Present

CVAG

Tom Kirk
Erica Felci
Joanna Stueckle
Tom Cox
Oscar Vizcarra
Anyse Smith
Ivan Tenorio
Stephanie Shambow

CVAG/ Riverside County
City of Coachella
City of Palm Springs
Desert Healthcare District
RUHS-Behavioral Health
City of Rancho Mirage
Lift to Rise
Coachella Valley Rescue Mission
Riverside County Probation Department
Advancing Steps
Individuals

Greg Rodriguez
Councilmember Megan Beaman Jacinto
Jay Virata
Donna Craig
Marcus Cannon
Marcus Aleman
Taylor Libolt Varner
Kimberly McKinney
Cristine Castro
Walker Beverly
Erica Huskey
James Bolas
Kathleen Weremiuk
Chris Gerry
Miguel Romero
Shelly Vedrode
Six others

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

4. CHAIR / COMMITTEE MEMBER/CVAG STAFF COMMENTS

Chair Holstege welcomed new Committee members. She also provided an update on the \$10 million that the City of Palm Springs secured for homelessness and affordable housing. Erica Felci acknowledged the impact the CV Housing First program was making in the community and said the upcoming staff presentations provide an update on the program.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Item 5B was pulled from the consent calendar for discussion.

IT WAS MOVED BY DIRECTOR ROGERS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMEBR PYE TO:

A. Approve the November 18, 2020 Homelessness Committee Meeting Minutes

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 9 AYES AND 3 MEMBERS ABSENT.

Councilmember Sam Burton	ABSENT
Councilmember Ernesto Gutierrez	AYE
Councilmember Denise Delgado	ABSENT
Councilmember Jan Pye	AYE
Councilmember Kimberly Muzik	AYE
Mayor Pro Tem Waymond Fermon	ABSENT
Councilmember John Peña	AYE
Councilmember Sabby Jonathan	AYE
Mayor Christy Holstege	AYE

Councilmember Charles Townsend	AYE
Assistant Director Carrie Harmon	AYE
Director Carole Rogers	AYE

B. Authorize the Executive Director to take the necessary steps to accept Regional Early Action Planning funding, including negotiating and executing the necessary agreements with Southern California Association of Governments and Lift to Rise, for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$558,000

Councilmember Jonathan asked a number of questions about the REAP application, including how the funds were used and the committee involvement in choosing the projects. Ms. Felci addressed questions and provided additional details on the process. Committee discussion ensued. It was moved by the Councilmember Peña and seconded by Councilmember Jonathan to continue the item. After additional discussion, Chair Holstege provided an amendment additional input from the Homelessness Committee be included.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER PENA AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMEBR JONATHAN TO CONTINUE ITEM 5B, AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL OPPORUNITY FOR INPUT BY THE HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE BEFORE THE ITEM MOVES FORWARD.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 11 AYES AND 1 MEMBER ABSENT.

Councilmember Sam Burton	AYE
Councilmember Ernesto Gutierrez	AYE
Councilmember Denise Delgado	AYE
Councilmember Jan Pye	AYE
Councilmember Kimberly Muzik	AYE
Mayor Pro Tem Waymond Fermon	ABSENT
Councilmember John Peña	AYE
Councilmember Sabby Jonathan	AYE
Mayor Christy Holstege	AYE
Councilmember Charles Townsend	AYE
Assistant Director Carrie Harmon	AYE
Director Carole Rogers	AYE

6. DISCUSSION / ACTION

A. CV Housing First: Where we are at & where we are going– Tom Kirk

Tom Kirk, along with Tom Cox, provided an update on CV Housing First Program, which has now transitioned to an in-house program. The presentation focused on the CV200 initiative, and how services would focus on the chronically homeless who may not qualify for other programs. The presentation covered two staff reports: A.1) CV Housing First Operations and A.2) Mobile Access Center for CV Housing First.

Member discussion ensued, with members expressing appreciation for the detailed overview. Mr. Kirk and Mr. Cox answered members' questions about the program's next steps.

There was no vote taken as this was an informational item.

B. Statewide Funding Helping Homeless During COVID-19 – Greg Rodriguez

Greg Rodriguez provided an update on the programs providing additional assistance to the homeless, particularly Project Roomkey and Project Homekey. Member discussion ensued. The Chair asked that future updates include city-specific data on the cities where units were located.

There was no vote taken as this was an informational item.

7. INFORMATION – The following items were provided for the Committee’s information, and the Chair asked ex officio members for input on 7B:

A. Attendance Record

B. Ex-Officio Updates

Darla Burkett, Coachella Valley Rescue Mission, provided an update on the operations, including COVID-19 protocols, coordination with local hospitals and efforts to house clients.

C. Funding Update for CV Housing First

Councilmember Jonathan highlighted the funding report, and the inclusion of the auditor’s review of the CV Housing First program.

D. Report on “Aging Homeless in Riverside County”

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Zoom Meetings:

Homelessness Committee – Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Executive Committee – Monday, February 22, 2021 at 4:30 p.m.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Chair Holstege reiterated her welcome to new committee members. Councilmember Delgado made a brief introduction to the Committee.

10. ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Erica Felci

CVAG Assistant to the Executive Director

ITEM 5B

Coachella Valley Association of Governments
Homelessness Committee
April 21, 2021



Staff Report

Subject: Additional HEAP Grant Funding for CV Housing First

Contact: Erica Felci, Assistant to the Executive Director (efelci@cvag.org)

Recommendation: Authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute Amendment #1 to the grant agreement with Riverside County to accept an additional \$97,000 in Homeless Emergency Aid Program funding for the CV Housing First Program

Background: Authorized by Senate Bill 850, Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) is a block grant program designed to provide direct assistance to cities and counties, and to the Continuum of Care (CoC) that serves them, to address the homelessness crisis throughout the State. HEAP funds are intended to support immediate emergency assistance to people experiencing homelessness, including prevention programs; criminal justice diversion programs for homeless individuals with mental health needs; emergency aid; and services that for homeless youth or youth at-risk of homelessness.

In Riverside County, the Continuum of Care governance structure is led by a Board of Governance (BOG), whose charge was to award HEAP grant funding. At its September 2018 meeting, the CVAG Executive Committee recommended that each CVAG member jurisdiction declare a shelter crisis resolution – making them eligible to receive HEAP funding – and encouraged all entities in the Coachella Valley to apply for this funding. Within the deadlines, all 10 CVAG member cities passed the resolution.

Under an agreement signed in June 2020, CVAG received \$200,000 in HEAP grant funding from Riverside County. When additional HEAP funding became available, the County sought input from CVAG staff on whether additional funding could be utilized this fiscal year. On February 24, 2021, the Riverside County Continuum of Care Board of Governance approved allocating an additional \$97,000 in HEAP funds to CVAG for the CV Housing First Program. These funds will be used toward the existing scope of work to provide support services delivered through the CV Housing First program operations and the access center in Palm Springs. All funds must be expended by June 30, 2021.

Fiscal Impact: The additional \$97,000 in HEAP grant funding will be used to continue support services for unsheltered homeless individuals through June 30, 2021.

ITEM 6A

**Coachella Valley Association of Governments
Homelessness Committee
April 21, 2021**



Staff Report

Subject: CV Housing First: Update on 2021 progress

Contact: Tom Kirk, Executive Director, (tkirk@cvag.org)

Recommendation: Information

Background: Based on the input and action by the Homelessness and Executive Committees, CVAG has transitioned the CV Housing First program from an outsourced program to one operated by CVAG staff for 2021. This transition has also given CVAG an opportunity to refine its program and bring increased responsiveness and capacity in the Coachella Valley, particularly as it pertains to assisting local law enforcement and public health workers with homeless services. The transition to an in-house program has also given CVAG an opportunity to focus its efforts on clients who might not be able to get help elsewhere.

At the February 2021 meeting, the Homelessness Committee was presented with an overview of the program's focus on the CV 200. These are the chronically homeless individuals who are most creating costs to public social services because they are frequently engaged with public safety and healthcare services.

The CV Housing First team uses two primary methods to get clients to housing solutions: rapid resolution and crisis stabilization units:

- Rapid Resolution is an urgent, cost-saving solution that the staff at the Homeless Access Center in Palm Springs, and soon with the Mobile Access Center, use to help overcome the barriers that keep people from getting housing. This could include options such as helping them secure their identifying paperwork, which then can help them qualify for benefits. It also includes sorting out the process for housing, medical, mental health, substance abuse, employment, and mainstream benefits.
- The Crisis Stabilization Units allow CVAG to connect CV200 individuals to housing. These are apartments and hotel rooms where clients stay, up to 90 days, that keep them off the streets. Through case management and frequent interactions with the team, CVAG is helping them achieve the goal of permanent housing, programs, and family reunifications.

In 2021, CVAG staff has set a goal to get 90 of these individuals off of the CV200 list by securing them permanent housing, programs, and family reunifications. On a quarterly basis, CVAG staff intends to provide its committees with a recap of the progress being made to help the CV 200 and other clients who enter the CV Housing First program. CV 200 statistics are detailed on an individual basis and, because non-CV 200 clients are often family units, the non-CV 200 statistics are described on a household basis, but represent a larger number of individuals (partners and children).

CV 200 Clients – By the Numbers for January 1 through March 31, 2021

CV 200	
Clients Checked in to Crisis Units	50
Clients checked out and in permanent housing	20
Clients returned to the street (failure)	6
Clients in permanent housing due to Rapid Resolution	5
TOTAL HOUSED FROM LIST OF 200	25
CV 200+	
Households Checked in to Crisis Units	5
Households checked out and in permanent housing	3
Households returned to the street (failure)	0
Households in permanent housing due to Rapid Resolution	2
TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS HOUSED FROM BEYOND LIST OF 200	5

CVAG staff is also tracking additional metrics, such as the length of stay in the units, as part of the program. For the first quarter, the CV 200 clients who successfully exited the program into permanent housing stayed in a crisis stabilization unit for 74.6 days. Those CV 200 clients who exited the program unsuccessfully had stayed 91.5 days.

Fiscal Impact: The CV Housing First program, including the staffing and CV200 program, is incorporated into the 2021 CV Housing First budget, which has been funded by contributions from cities, Riverside County, the Desert Healthcare District/Foundation, and grants.

ITEM 6B

Coachella Valley Association of Governments
Homelessness Committee
April 21, 2021



Staff Report

Subject: Continued Support from Desert Healthcare District / Foundation for CV Housing First

Contact: Erica Felci, Assistant to the Executive Director (efelci@cvag.org)

Recommendation: Authorize the Executive Director to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Desert Healthcare District/ Foundation to accept \$500,000 for the CV Housing First program operations

Background: Recognizing the links between mental health and homelessness, the Desert Healthcare District/ Foundation has been a longstanding supporter of regional homelessness solutions, including CV Housing First. The District/ Foundation funded an independent analysis of the Coachella Valley's programs and services by renowned expert Barbara Poppe & Associates, whose report "The Path Forward" helped shape CVAG's programs.

The District/ Foundation has also been instrumental in funding CVAG's CV Housing First Program. In June 2017, the day after the CVAG Executive Committee approved its first contract with Path of Life to operate CV Housing First, the District/ Foundation Board of Directors met and unanimously agreed to fully fund the West Valley Homelessness Initiative collective fund up to \$2 million. The District's funding program provided a dollar-for-dollar match when cities or tribes contributed more than \$100,000 to the CV Housing First program. This funding has been critical to the program's impact in the community.

In September 2020, the CVAG Homelessness and Executive Committees supported transitioning the CV Housing First program into one that is run in-house by CVAG staff. In October 2020, CVAG sent a letter requesting the District/Foundation continue the funding match program for fiscal year 20/21. CVAG worked with the District/ Foundation staff to craft a request so that it coincides with the focus of CV Housing First in 2021, where staff has worked with local law enforcement and other partners to come up with the CV 200 list of chronically homeless individuals who can be helped off the streets through crisis stabilization units and rapid rehousing programs. Given these clients unique challenges and the District/ Foundation's investment in mental health and public health initiatives, CVAG also noted in its request how CVAG will be working with health agencies to help the chronically homeless through streamlining hospital discharges and respite care.

CVAG provided an update on the program to the District/ Foundation in February and the comments from the Board were overwhelmingly supportive of the program's direction and initial success. In March 2021, the District/ Foundation Board unanimously approved a Memorandum of Understanding that provides \$500,000 for the program for the period of April 1, 2021 through

June 30, 2022. The MOU states that CVAG and District/ Foundation staff will coordinate on health-related program metrics that will be tracked within the quarterly reports, providing additional tracking on the work CVAG is doing to connect CV 200 clients to mental and behavioral health programs as well as social services.

Fiscal Analysis: With this agreement, the District/ Foundation will be providing \$500,000 for the program for the period of April 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. The MOU is slightly different than the previous dollar-for-dollar matching program that the District/ Foundation has previously done. However, it does come with a clause that CVAG needs to demonstrate a continued commitment of current funding levels from the CVAG member agencies.

CVAG has made a request that all member jurisdictions contribute \$100,000 for its 2020/2021 share, and staff is in the process of presenting a program update to every City Council. To date, the Cities of Cathedral City, La Quinta, Palm Desert and Rancho Mirage have confirmed their financial support for this fiscal year.

At the same time, CVAG has been reconciling its outstanding revenues for the Homelessness Fund from fiscal year 2019/2020. While CVAG had widespread support for the program, CVAG has identified five cities that have supported the program but did not send last fiscal year's committed contribution. They are the Cities of Cathedral City, Indio, Palm Desert, Palm Springs and Rancho Mirage. This is reflected on the fund's unaudited revenue and expenditures statement and related fund balance (presented in the agenda packet as an information item).

City	FY 20/21	FY 19/20
Cathedral City	confirmed	
Coachella		\$100,000
Desert Hot Springs		\$100,000
Indian Wells		-
Indio		
La Quinta	confirmed	\$83,333
Palm Desert	confirmed	
Palm Springs		
Rancho Mirage	confirmed	

CVAG is in the process of checking with each City to confirm its records. Because CVAG has traditionally not sent a formal invoice for these contributions, CVAG staff understands that submitting the contributions may have been overlooked or delayed due to the work-from-home conditions experienced during the COVID-19 pandemic. CVAG is in the process of contacting

cities and ensuring last year's \$100,000 contribution is received and, in the future, will issue formal invoices to ensure there is no lag in revenue moving forward.

Attachment: Draft MOU with the Desert Healthcare District/ Foundation

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
COACHELLA VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
AND
DESERT HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is made and entered into this 23rd Day of March, 2021, by and between the Coachella Valley Association of Governments, a California joint powers agency ("CVAG") and the Desert Healthcare Foundation, a California 501(c) (3) public benefit corporation ("Foundation") for the purpose of the Foundation participating in the CV Housing First Program ("CV Housing First Program")

WHEREAS, in 2005, CVAG formed a Homeless Task Force in partnership with Riverside County Supervisor Roy Wilson which resulted in the creation of Roy's Desert Resource Center; and

WHEREAS, the Homeless Task Force evolved into a standing Homelessness Committee ("Homelessness Committee") within the CVAG committee structure, which works with Riverside County and CVAG member cities to combat homelessness through-out the Coachella Valley; and

WHEREAS, the Foundation is a member of the Homelessness Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Homelessness Committee has sponsored housing first programs in recent years that have also received substantial financial support from Riverside County, contributions by CVAG member cities and tribes, and grants from the Desert Healthcare District; and

WHEREAS, on December 31, 2020 CVAG terminated the agreement with Path of Life Ministries (Path of Life) and brought the CV Housing First programming in-house to provide Rapid Resolution, Crisis Stabilization Units and wrap-around case management continuing with the "Housing First" philosophy; and

WHEREAS, in 2017 the Desert Healthcare District ("District"), as part of its three-year strategic plan, challenged communities to partner in combating homelessness by providing matching funding opportunities through a collective fund of the Foundation for the program, then known as the West Valley Homelessness Initiative, that provided a dollar-for-dollar match to each CVAG member that contributed \$103,000 to the West Valley Housing Navigation Program; and

WHEREAS, in 2021 the Desert Healthcare District ("District"), has expressed its commitment to continue support of CV Housing First programming;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. CVAG Responsibilities

CVAG will operate the CV Housing First program, providing rapid resolution, crisis stabilization housing, and wrap around services in the Coachella Valley within the District boundaries. CV Housing First will primarily focus on the CV 200, a list of chronically homeless individuals across the Coachella Valley who have been identified by local law enforcement and partnering agencies. This program will help address public health goals by addressing high utilizers of emergency room and medical services, assistance with hospital discharge planning and placement and working with partner organizations on increasing respite care services. CVAG will provide periodic quarterly reports and budget progress reports with measurable outcomes to the CVAG Executive Committee and CVAG Homelessness Committee, of which the District is a member.

2. Foundation Contribution

The Foundation will provide \$500,000 for the period of April 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 for the CV Housing First Program. The Foundation funds will be paid upon satisfactory verification of a continued commitment of current funding levels from the CVAG member agencies. Funds shall only be used for the purposes of combating homelessness through rapid resolution, crisis

stabilization, and wrap-around case management services within the District boundaries. The Foundation intends to contribute in future years, but such contributions will be discretionary and conditioned on successful outcomes.

3. Deliverables

The CV Housing First program is operated by CVAG. The funds will be primarily used to help clients on the CV 200 list, who are chronically homeless individuals across the Coachella Valley who have been identified by local law enforcement and partnering agencies. CVAG and Foundation staff will coordinate on health-related program metrics that will be presented to the Board and tracked within the quarterly reports that are provided to CVAG's committees and the Foundation. These metrics will allow the program to focus on shifting the chronic homeless from the streets and camps into housing and connect with mental/ behavioral health and social services.

4. Restrictions and Reporting

The funds received by CVAG from the Foundation are designated only for the operations of the CV Housing First Program and shall be conditioned on the administration of the program being directed through CVAG staff and overseen by the CVAG Homelessness Committee and CVAG Executive Committee. CVAG will provide the Foundation with quarterly written reports and budget progress reports with measurable outcomes.

5. Cancellation

This MOU may be cancelled with or without cause by either party upon 45-days written notice to the other party.

6. Effective Date

The effective date of this **MOU** shall be April 1, 2021

7. Term

This MOU shall continue in effect until June 30, 2022 from the effective date or until terminated by either party.

8. Modification

This MOU may not be modified except by written agreement executed by duly authorized representatives of each party.

Desert Healthcare Foundation

Coachella Valley Association of Governments

By: _____

By: _____

Leticia De Lara, President

Glenn A. Miller, Chairman

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ITEM 6C

**Coachella Valley Association of Governments
Homeless Committee
April 21, 2021**



Subject: Acceptance of Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Funding

Contact: Greg Rodriguez, Government Relations and Public Policy Advisor (GRodrigu@rivco.org) & Peter Satin, Regional Planner (psatin@cvaq.org)

Recommendation: Authorize the Executive Director to take the necessary steps to accept \$558,000 in Regional Early Action Planning funding, including negotiating and executing the necessary agreements with Southern California Association of Governments; and then to execute an agreement with Lift to Rise for a not-to-exceed amount of \$304,000

Background: The State's Fiscal Year 2019/2020 budget included two programs for one-time funding to address the housing crisis from a planning perspective: Local Early Action Planning (LEAP), a non-competitive allocation for cities; and Regional Early Action Planning (REAP), a similar non-competitive allocation at the regional level. Through REAP, \$47 million was allocated to the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) to administer on behalf of the region. Of this, \$23 million was set aside for noncompetitive subregional partnerships. As a subregional partner, CVAG was eligible to receive approximately \$558,000 to be used toward one or more planning efforts that boost housing production and related supportive infrastructure.

In fall 2020, CVAG staff sought ideas from member jurisdictions, community stakeholders and the general public. This included presentations to the Technical Planning Subcommittee and Homelessness Committee. CVAG staff also invited input from organizations across the Coachella Valley via email. In early December, CVAG submitted two concurrent projects eligible under the REAP funding guidelines established by SCAG.: supporting the launch of the Housing Catalyst Fund as part of Lift to Rise's project pipeline; and developing a regional strategic plan to spur development of affordable housing, including community engagement strategy.

SCAG has approved both projects for funding:

- The first project will support the affordable housing catalyst fund as part of the action plan developed by Lift to Rise through its Housing Collaborative Action Network (CAN). Lift to Rise is a collective impact nonprofit that set a goal of bringing an additional 10,000 affordable housing units online in 10 years. As part of its Action Plan to achieve this goal, Lift to Rise identified a Catalyst Initiative, including a Catalyst Fund, that will mobilize resources for this purpose by providing capital subsidies, operating subsidies and loans to close the gap and stimulate the affordable housing production in the Coachella Valley. REAP funds will be used to pay for a fund manager to draft and implement an investment plan, including the recommended structure for the fund's loan and grant products that factor in the unique risks of Coachella Valley. The fund manager will also prepare underwriting standards that will provide a working baseline for loan amounts, eligible project types, interest rates, loan-to-value ratios, and other loan terms.

- The second project funded by REAP builds on the direction that the Transportation and Executive Committee provided in early 2020 when discussing ways to fund housing, homelessness, and transportation projects in Coachella Valley. At that time, committee members expressed the need for more information in order to determine how to proceed. This project will result in a comprehensive analysis of funding options, including a possible sales tax measure, that could be generated from a broad range of sources to address key housing needs – including availability of both affordable and workforce housing, and growing concerns about rent burden shouldered by Coachella Valley residents. This REAP-funded study will include extensive community engagement as part of the development of the plan. This examination of sustainable funding solutions would result in a long-game blueprint for future policy development in Coachella Valley. CVAG intends to issue a request for proposals for a consultant to conduct the regional study.

As part of the February 17, 2021 CVAG Homelessness Committee agenda, CVAG staff recommended the acceptance of these funds. Members of the Homelessness Committee pulled the item from the consent agenda, and asked a number of questions about the project selection process and the next steps. The committee agreed to continue the item to the April 21, 2021 Homelessness Committee meeting.

In order to address the concerns and solicit additional input, CVAG staff convened the Homelessness Committee's CV HEART ad hoc committee. A meeting was held on March 18, 2021 that included La Quinta Councilmember and Homelessness Committee Vice Chair John Pena; Palm Desert Councilmember Sabby Jonathan; Desert Hot Springs Councilmember Jan Pye; Regional Access Project Foundation's CEO Leticia DeLara; Desert Healthcare District/ Foundation Director Carole Rogers; and the District/ Foundation CEO Conrado Barzaga.

CVAG staff provided additional detail on how the projects were chosen, including the public input solicited in fall 2020. The CV HEART subcommittee also discussed the two programs' scope of work, particularly a draft Request for Proposals (RFP) CVAG staff provided to detail the scope of work requested for the revenue analysis. In order to clarify the projects, and in response to the feedback, CVAG staff directed staff to include language in the RFP to emphasize analyzing specific revenue sources that would not specifically increase tax burdens to the public.

CVAG staff also identified additional deliverables and benchmarks for the proposal with Lift to Rise. These include:

- Hire a fund manager in the Coachella Valley to plan for and conduct investment activities
- Invest in at least 10 affordable housing projects by the end of 2022.
 - 5 projects representing at least 350 units by the end of 2021.
 - 5 additional projects representing at least 300 units by the end of 2022.
- Identify investment needs of new projects in the shared pipeline and coordinate with developers to find sources of funding in addition to the Fund.
- Explore how to integrate early care and learning infrastructure into affordable housing development.
- Report on the following measurables:
 - Number of projects funded and their development status.
 - Number of projects identified in the pipeline with investment need.
 - Amount of direct investment made into projects in the Coachella Valley from the Fund.
 - Amount of additional funding leveraged through investment from the Fund.

With the staff recommendation, CVAG will work with SCAG to finalize and execute a MOU to accept REAP funding. Once the MOU with SCAG has been signed, CVAG will enter into an MOU with Lift to Rise to implement the investment fund project, as well as work to secure a consultant to conduct the regional study. All funds must be used by June 30, 2023.

Fiscal Analysis: CVAG's REAP allocation is \$558,000 to fund both of the above projects and associated administrative costs. The feasibility study is projected to cost \$254,000, including \$13,950 to cover project management. The portion dedicated to Lift to Rise activities is projected to cost \$304,000, including \$13,950 for CVAG's project oversight.

The REAP funding term is through June 2023. REAP may not be used for capital, construction, or ongoing program operation.

Attachments:

Revenue Stream Feasibility Study Request for Proposals

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
COACHELLA VALLEY'S REGIONAL EARLY ACTION PLANNING (REAP) HOUSING AND
TRANSPORTATION REVENUE STREAM FEASIBILITY STUDY**

BACKGROUND AND GENERAL DESCRIPTION

NOTICE

The Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) is soliciting proposals to retain a firm who can research and analyze sustainable housing and transportation funding mechanisms. The key deliverable from this project will be a Regional Strategic Plan to spur development of affordable housing and associated transportation infrastructure in the Coachella Valley. Each CVAG member jurisdiction has a general plan and housing plan that identifies opportunities for housing development, particularly workforce and affordable housing. CVAG's role is to identify and facilitate strategies to bring these plans together. This project specifically addresses an element essential to all: a stable, sustainable revenue stream. This plan will serve as the blueprint for future policy development at CVAG and our member jurisdictions. It will help elected officials determine how possible revenue source options would best benefit the region. This project is in line with other regions and cities that have conducted similar studies to gain a clear understanding of the potential funding strategies available to them.

Creation of the Regional Strategic Plan will require a community engagement strategy that provides statistically valid survey data, which can help educate and build support for recommendations from the study. As outlined in the timeline, the community engagement will begin after draft recommendations have been presented but will be conducted in connection with finalization of the plan itself. The survey method will incorporate, at a minimum, online public meeting platforms to reach a broad cross-section of Coachella Valley residents. This will ensure that community feedback is incorporated into the plan and final recommendations.

The Regional Strategic Plan will need to consider local, regional, and state administrative and legislative processes that may be required for its implementation. The final plan will be presented for adoption to elected officials via the CVAG Executive Committee, along with any policy recommendations required to carry it out.

PROJECT BACKGROUND

The Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) program was included in California's Fiscal Year 2019/2020 budget to address the State's housing crisis from a planning perspective. REAP projects are intended to facilitate implementation of the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) through housing planning and process improvement. Both REAP and RHNA are administered by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), who recently finalized the 6th Cycle RHNA Allocation Plan outlining the additional housing required in the Coachella Valley through 2029. As a subregional partner to SCAG, CVAG is eligible to allocate REAP funding toward one or more planning efforts that boost housing production and related supportive infrastructure.

The CVAG REAP allocation will build on the direction that the Transportation and Executive Committee provided in early 2020 when discussing ways to fund housing, homelessness, and transportation projects in Coachella Valley. At that time, committee members expressed the need for more information in order to determine how to proceed. This project will result in a comprehensive analysis of funding options, including a possible sales tax measure, that could be generated from a broad range of sources to address key housing and transportation needs including availability of both affordable and workforce housing, growing concerns about rent burden shouldered by Coachella Valley residents, and maintenance of existing transportation corridors under continued growth. This REAP-funded study will include extensive community engagement and will result in a long-term blueprint for future policy development in the Coachella Valley.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Coachella Valley's total population is comparable with that seen in a single big city, yet it is divided into nine cities, three tribal nations, and three school districts, as well as unincorporated communities. Over the years, numerous, but separate, planning documents from each of these agencies have identified opportunities and challenges for sustainable communities. These myriad efforts have often led communities to compete against themselves for limited funding, and would benefit generally from a regional revenue source.

The primary function of the Regional Strategic Plan is to identify funding opportunities for new workforce and affordable housing development. When CVAG initially explored this idea in late 2019/early 2020, it was focused on legislation related to a possible sales tax measure, noting that a dedicated tax is a concept used in other communities including Miami, Florida. However, there was interest among Coachella Valley elected officials to explore a variety of funding options including Enhanced Infrastructure Financing Districts (EIFDs), Community Revitalization and Investment Authorities (CRIAs), and other tax increment or value capture tools. While the adoption of a tax or bond measure is still under consideration, the Regional Strategic Plan should seriously consider alternative funding mechanisms.

The Regional Strategic Plan will facilitate the region's housing goals identified in the RHNA Allocation Plan and will promote SCAG's Connect SoCal transportation and housing priorities. It should also be designed to complement the general plans and housing elements of local municipalities, as well as the regional initiatives being led by community partners. The plan should further identify mechanisms to prioritize sustainable development projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Finally, the plan will identify any administrative or legislative processes at the local, regional, and/or state level that will need to be engaged for effective implementation.

PROJECT TASK LIST

The task list below is a general outline of the scope of work. The consultant is encouraged to review and add to or revise this list as experience and expertise would dictate. The overall project goals are the guiding factor. The completeness of the task list will be one of the proposal evaluation criteria.

The work includes:

- Evaluation of existing revenue sources to identify opportunities & policy gaps.
- Evaluation of a sampling of revenue sources used by other communities to address affordable housing needs, including applicability to the Coachella Valley.
- Evaluation of at least three funding scenarios that would include dedicated independent funding for housing, dedicated independent funding for transportation, and a combined funding source for both housing and transportation. An impact analysis should be conducted for each alternative.
- Meetings with governing agencies, business organizations and community-based organizations.
- Analysis of and recommendations for policy initiatives to reduce barriers to regional financing options.
- Analysis of and recommendations for building community support and coalitions that will implement the funding options.
- Incorporation of input into master strategic plan & circulate draft to stakeholders.
- Development of a broad community engagement strategy that provides statistically valid survey data, which can help educate and build on the recommendations and include a survey method that incorporates online platforms to reach a broad cross-section of Coachella Valley residents.
- Finalization of a Regional Strategic Plan and production of digital copies

In addition, the consultant will be asked to produce project meeting lists and provide feedback for the grant's monthly progress reports.

These efforts will focus on the Coachella Valley with the possible inclusion of the Palo Verde Valley communities including the City of Blythe.

PROJECT TIMELINE

The project is anticipated to begin in June 2021 and last through June 2023. Upon awarding a contract, preliminary analysis of funding mechanisms and development of community engagement strategies will be completed by December 2021, after which CVAG will review and provide feedback. Initial community outreach and further refinement of analysis will take place through May 2022, at which point draft findings will be presented to CVAG Committees for feedback. Community engagement will continue until findings are finalized and a policy recommendation can be made to the CVAG Executive Committee no later than June 2023.

PROPOSAL FORMAT

The consultant's proposal should describe the methodology to be used to accomplish each of the project tasks as well as the qualifications of the individuals who will perform the tasks and prepare written and oral reports to CVAG. The proposal should also describe the work which shall be necessary in order to satisfactorily complete the task requirements. These descriptions should include the strategy and method which will be utilized in analyzing the various funding mechanisms and soliciting community feedback for incorporation into the Regional Strategic Plan.

The proposal should be no more the 15 pages in length, excluding the cost proposal. Front and rear cover will not be included in the 15-page count. The contract shall be a lump sum (firm fixed price).

EVALUATION CRITERIA

A Consultant Selection Committee, determined by CVAG staff, shall review each Proposal and, if necessary, will conduct an interview with the consultant's project management and key personnel of the most qualified firm(s).

The Consultant Selection Committee shall rate each interviewed firm's technical proposal and identify the ranking of proposals in a selection order based upon the following criteria:

- Understanding of the work to be done (15 points possible)
- Experience with similar kinds of work. (10 points possible)
- Quality of staff for work to be done (10 points possible)
- Familiarity with related planning procedures (10 points possible)
- Completeness of task items list (5 points possible)

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION & DEADLINE

All proposals and accompanying materials shall become the property of the Coachella Valley Association of Governments upon submittal. Questions regarding this RFP should be directed to CVAG Regional Planner Peter Satin via e-mail at psatin@cvag.org. All requests for clarification and comments must be provided in writing to CVAG on or before **May 7, 2021 by 5:00 pm**. Answers/Clarifications shall be provided in the form of formal Addenda and shall be issued to the short-listed firms in a timely manner.

Proposals should be submitted electronically to the email above, and must be received and date stamped at CVAG no later than **5:00 p.m. on May 21, 2021**.

SELECTION PROCESS AND SCHEDULE

A selection committee will evaluate each proposal according to the criteria set forth in this RFP. CVAG will then perform a reference verification process by contacting and interviewing the references provided by the firms. Following this reference verification process, the firm(s) receiving the highest evaluation from the selection panel will be invited to interview.

ITEM 7A

COACHELLA VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE
ATTENDANCE RECORD
FY2020-2021

Voting Members	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	ATTENDED
City of Blythe	●	●	○		●			●					4 out of 5
City of Cathedral City	●	●	●		●			●					5 out of 5
City of Coachella	●	○	○		●			●					3 out of 5
City of Desert Hot Springs	●	●	●		●			●					5 out of 5
City of Indian Wells	●	●	●		○			●					4 out of 5
City of Indio	●	●	●		●			○					4 out of 5
City of La Quinta	●	●	●		●			●					5 out of 5
City of Palm Desert	●	●	●		●			●					5 out of 5
City of Palm Springs	●	●	●		●			●					5 out of 5
City of Rancho Mirage	●	●	●		●			●					5 out of 5
Riverside County	●	●	●		●			●					5 out of 5
Desert Healthcare District	●	●	●		●			●					5 out of 5
Total Attendance Per Meeting	12	11	10		11			11					

Ex Officio / Non-Voting Members	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	ATTENDED
Coachella Valley Housing Coalition	○	●	●		●			○					3 out of 5
Coachella Valley Rescue Mission	●	●	●		●			●					5 out of 5
HomeAid Inland Empire	○	●	●		●			●					4 out of 5
Martha's Village and Kitchen	●	●	●		●			○					4 out of 5
The Salvation Army (vacant)	○	○	○		○			○					0 out of 5
Shelter From the Storm	●	●	●		●			○					4 out of 5
Total Attendance Per Meeting	3	5	5		5			2					

Scheduled Dark Month
 No Meeting *

Present ●

Absent ○

ITEM 7C

**Coachella Valley Association of Governments
Homelessness Committee
April 21, 2021**



Staff Report

Subject: State Auditor's Report on Continuum of Care (COC) Agencies

Contact: Greg Rodriguez, CVAG contract staff, (GRodrigu@rivco.org)

Recommendation: Information

Background: A Continuum of Care is well-established model for streamlining effective homeless services. They are made up of groups of organizations, including local government agencies and homeless service providers, that set shared goals and performance measurement mechanisms in order to redistribute pooled resources for homelessness response in a specific geographic area. CoCs are designated by and beholden to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. In return, CoCs receive direct allocation of state and federal funds.

In February 2021, the California State Auditor released a report detailing an audit of five local governments who play a key role in CoC, and one of them was the County of Riverside. The report was titled "Homelessness in California: The State's Uncoordinated Approach to Addressing Homelessness Has Hampered the Effectiveness of Its Efforts." The report details the State's efforts as "disjointed" and states that California's "homeless council has also not created guidance or expectations for CoCs to follow." In summarizing the findings of the COC, the State Auditor recapped the findings in the following three points:

- "CoCs do not always employ best practices related to identifying, planning for, and providing services for those experiencing homelessness.
- None of the five CoCs we reviewed has adequately determined whether it has enough service providers to meet the needs of those experiencing homelessness.
- Two of the five CoCs we assessed do not have current comprehensive plans."

The full report can be found here: <https://www.auditor.ca.gov/pdfs/reports/2020-112.pdf> It is being provided as an informational item at the request of Desert Healthcare District/ Foundation Director Carole Rogers.

It should be noted that this is not a compliance audit as a result of a contract, but instead an audit directed by the State's Joint Legislative Audit Committee. One overwhelming takeaway from this report is the State shining its own light on the fragmentation of State services and the lack of effectiveness from the Homeless Coordinating and Finance Council. The State auditor noted on page 15 of the report that "the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council is the best positioned state entity to provide the necessary support and guidance to CoCs to effectively address homelessness at the local level, it has not done so. In the absence of a finalized action plan, tracking of all state and federal funding, and adequate technical support for its CoCs,

California will continue to lack a complete understanding of its efforts to combat homelessness and will struggle to make effective policy decisions to address the problem". The audit also states the homeless council has not fulfilled some of its most critical responsibilities.

There were four areas highlighted by the audit as it pertains to Riverside County's CoC: 1.) A lack of an annual gaps' analysis; 2.) the need to develop a comprehensive action plan and update it every five years; 3.) Not tracking in the Coordinated Entry System (CES) how long it takes to locate an individual after connection with a service provider; and 4.) that scoring and reviewing projects for HUD funding is not equitable because renewal projects are given more priority than new projects.

Riverside County has issued a formal letter stating Riverside County's CoC not only disagrees with the State's assessment, and also notes that CoC has already started addressing and improving on the issues raised. For the Homelessness Committee's reference, a summary of the responses to each of the four items is here:

- *Gap Analysis:* Riverside County's CoC is already under contract with Lasar Consulting Group for a gaps analysis as part of the Board of Governance (BOG) and CoC strategic planning. This was in the works before the state review, and part of the strategic plan and action plan will be to routinize annual analysis going forward.
- *Action Plan:* There is an existing 10-year plan from the County's Executive Office. Additionally, the CoC and BOG were already underway creating a comprehensive strategic action plan, which will fulfill the requirements of the comprehensive plan asked for by the State.
- *CES Tracking:* This is underway. While there is nothing regulatory stating this indicator must be measured which from the CoC's perspective, the recommendation can help measure the accessibility of CES across regions. The CoC has discussed using Phase II of the Strategic Planning Process to identify indicators like this one that would help measure the effectiveness of CES and the County's homeless delivery system. To improve the metrics, updates are being made to the HomeConnect Referral form and the CoC is exploring the ability to add a custom field in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) so housing agencies can enter when initial contact is made with a client referred through CES.
- *Scoring projects:* The County's HUD CoC Ranking Tool (or Scorecard) is updated each year. As in previous years, CoC staff will work with the Continuum of Care during this time period to assess its review-and-rank policies. It is a common practice for grant applications to give "extra points" to agencies who have experience administering HUD CoC Programs. As an option and instead of ranking existing agencies before new projects, the CoC is discussing adding an experience section on the scorecard with points ranging based on level of experience.

Fiscal Analysis: There is no cost to CVAG for this report.

ITEM 7D

**Coachella Valley Association of Governments
Homelessness Committee
April 21, 2021**



Staff Report

Subject: Preliminary Monitoring Report from the Riverside County Department of Housing, Homelessness Prevention and Workforce Solutions

Contact: Tom Cox, Management Analyst (tcoc@cvag.org)

Recommendation: Information

Background: The Riverside County Department of Housing, Homelessness Prevention and Workforce Solutions (HHPWS) Continuum of Care (CoC) Division is required to monitor its subrecipients on an annual basis to ensure compliance with the Business, Consumer Services and Housing agency (BCSH) and Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC) policies and regulations. CVAG's CV Housing First program is one of those subrecipients because it receives funding from the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) grant.

HHPWS performed a monitoring report between March 15-18, 2021 of CVAG's in-house program. This was conducted by HHPWS CoC staff through Zoom video conferencing, review of electronic files and communications and did not involve a site visit due to the COVID-19 restrictions. The purpose of monitoring is to assess project operations against the standards set by the rules and regulations, including measuring project progress; determining and documenting participant eligibility; tracking eligible activities, expenses and match requirements; as well as record keeping and oversight. If a program does not meet program operation standards HHPWS may issue a concern or a finding. A concern is a deficiency in program performance and will result in a finding if the concern is not corrected. A finding is a deficiency in program performance based on material noncompliance with a statutory, regulatory, or program requirement for which sanctions or other corrective actions are authorized.

During the Remote Monitoring, HHPWS staff worked closely with the CV Housing First team and CVAG provided full access to client and personnel files, the program's policies and procedures, as well as provided information regarding program management, data compliance, and fiscal documents.

On the final day of the remote monitoring, HHPWS staff provided CVAG with an unofficial preliminary report of the outcomes. The preliminary report resulted in no findings and no concerns. There was one recommendation, which was to provide more detailed case documentation to ensure evidence of the comprehensive services provided by the Housing First staff. CVAG has already been implementing this recommendation in its files.

CVAG anticipates a formal report will be provided within 30 days.

Fiscal Analysis: There was no cost to CVAG for the monitoring report. The review was triggered by CVAG's acceptance of HEAP funding.

Under an agreement signed in June 2020, CVAG received \$200,000 in HEAP grant funding from Riverside County. When additional HEAP funding became available, the County sought input from CVAG staff on whether additional funding could be utilized this fiscal year. On February 24, 2021, the Riverside County Continuum of Care Board of Governance approved allocating an additional \$97,000 in HEAP funds, and CVAG staff is recommending this funding be accepted as part of a separate agenda item.

**COACHELLA VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
HOMENESS PROGRAM
UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2020 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2021**

REVENUES

CONTRIBUTIONS		
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE	787,540	
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS		787,540
INVESTMENT INCOME		<u>0</u>
TOTAL REVENUES		<u><u>787,540</u></u>

EXPENDITURES

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		
PATH OF LIFE MINISTRIES	772,208	
OTHERS	79,419	
TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		851,627
SALARIES AND BENEFITS		149,173
BUILDING LEASE MAINTENANCE/RENT		106,006
LEGAL SERVICES		16,281
RAPID RESOLUTIONS		8,833
ELECTRIC (UTILITIES)		2,402
OFFICE SUPPLIES		1,491
LOCAL MEETINGS		805
GENERAL EXPENSE		791
COMPREHENSIVE INSURANCE		708
ADVERTISING		499
COMMUNICATIONS/PHONE		327
CONSULTANTS		250

Total Expenditures 1,139,194

Net Income (Deficit) (351,654)

FUND BALANCE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR 847,782

FUND BALANCE AS AT MARCH 31, 2021 496,128