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Mental Health Initiative Committee Meeting

1:00 PM – 2:30 PM, Thursday, June 20, 2019
RAP Foundation, 41-550 Eclectic Street, Palm Desert, CA 92260
and 240 N. Spring Street, Blythe, CA 92225

Meeting Minutes

I. Call To Order at 1:20 PM

Attendance:

Tori St. Johns, Chairwoman	Robin MCall, RC OoA
Jim Grisham, RUHS-BH	Val Hudson, Board, join by phone
Donna Craig, DHCD	Eva Guenther-James, staff
Garth Dale, Community	

Absent:

Greg Rodriguez, 4th District Sup Office	Sylvia King, DPSS

II. Public Comment

Public Comments: All persons wishing to speak are requested to fill out a comment card so they may be recognized at the appropriate time. General comments regarding non-agenda items will be called for at this time. Specific comments regarding agenda items will be called for during discussion of each item. Please be prepared to limit your remarks to three (3) minutes**.**
No public.

III. May 23, 2019 Meeting Minutes **Action Item**

Accept and file May 23, 2019 Meeting Minutes.
Motion: V Hudson Second: R McCall Approve: 5 Oppose: 0 Abstention Name(s): D Craig

IV. Mental Health Initiative **Action Item**

A. Discuss Collective Impact Report by HARC, Inc. for MHI 2017.1 and 2017.2 RFP Grantees.

B. Discuss direction for FY 2019/2020 to provide recommendation to RAP Board.

IV A and B were discussed together.

Suggestions were:

1) Funding to incentivize organizations to improve access to care by lowering the barriers to care. Access did not show statistical relevant improvement in collective impact report.
2) Suggestion to lift up organizations which were and are continuing to perform well in the community by funding their work.
3) Consider support of initiatives by RUHS- BH, RUHS-PH, and First Five such as RUHS-PH Resilience 10 year Initiative, RUHS-BH Suicide Prevention and First Five Help Me Grow
4) Homeless – Housing stability and Mental Health Services, wrap-around services

Donna Craig stated DHCD funded Eval Corps to map and research mental health services and gaps in Coachella Valley. Contracted agency will hold focus groups and individual interviews providing its findings in a report tentatively released in September 2019. Report will include services, geographic area of services and gaps in services. Donna offered to provide report when released to RAP's committee for review and consideration in FY 2019/2020 RFP(s)' funding goals.

Using FY 2018/2019 designated funding in each category as guide. It was suggested that 60% of funds available should be a combination of Health and Mental Health to form Integrated Care.

Recommendation: Combine Health's designated funding, estimate $200,000 and Mental Health's designated funding estimate $295,684 into one fund called Integrated Care with emphasis on Homeless for FY 2019/2020.

Motion: J Grisham Second: T St. Johns Approve: 5 Oppose: 0 Abstention Name(s): 0

V. Comments/Announcements

VI. Next Meeting

July 18, 2019, 2:30 PM to 4:00 PM

Standing meeting is held the third Thursday of the month.

VIII. Adjourn at 2:40 PM

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