

CEO Report Oct. 2019

1. Eva, Stephanie and I continue to learn about Results Based Accountability and how to integrate it into the Grants and CNA programs. We have taken advantage of webinars and utilized a facilitator for a couple of key meetings.
2. Stephanie & I attended the One Future CV meeting in Palm Springs to surprise them with the announcement that they were selected as this year's Bank of America Neighborhood Community \$200,000 grant winner. They were completely surprised, excited & appreciative of RAP's support.
3. I attended the City of Palm Desert's Ad Hoc Civic Engagement meeting to learn what is new in Palm Desert and provide input on how to increase engagement especially with the Hispanic population. CNA will assist in convening a meeting with nonprofits to assist the City in their efforts.
4. Eva and I attended Supervisor Perez's Green Ribbon Behavioral Health Committee meeting on Oct. 3 to listen to The Desert Healthcare District's Mental Health Community Needs Assessment and participate in workshops. We expressed our support to collaborate on mutual topics.
5. I attended Assemblyman Garcia's Salton Sea Roundtable discussion in Northshore on Oct. 3.
6. I attended The Funders Alliance General meeting on Oct. 9 and reported on the assignments each committee was tasked with at the last Strategic Planning meeting. My committee is working on how to define and advance the Collective Impact model in our work.
I also learned from the Weingart Foundation Representative that our application for funding of CNA is still pending. However, she did stress that some of the decision makers indicated that they are not as interested in funding capacity building programs as they were in years past. This concerns me. However, our representative understands our CNA program well and is still supporting our application. We hope to learn by December of a decision.
7. I attended the Dr. Carreon Foundation "Meet and Greet the new Dean" event at CSUSB Palm Desert Campus on Oct. 14. I joined board members Ricardo Loretta, Mark Moran and Elizabeth Romero.
8. Eva, Stephanie and I attended the National Philanthropy Social Hour event in Palm Springs on Oct. 15 to acknowledge all of this year's nominees.
9. I attended the Riverside County Health Coalition Quarterly meeting in Moreno Valley on Oct. 16. The main topic was "The Opioid Related Deaths, Emergency Dept. Visits and Hospitalizations in Riverside County" and also "Substance Abuse in Riverside County". Very interesting presentations illustrating the trends of ages of population using substances and what kinds. Also, how it progresses to more potent drugs over time.
10. I attended the monthly Lift To Rise Board meeting in early October. We discussed the plans to host the next Investment Summit "Bridging the Gaps" in the Coachella Valley on Oct. 14 and 15. This two day event will include potential investors in creating a "Housing Pipeline" by focusing on building a \$100M fund to subsidize costs not covered by the majority of grants. I plan to attend at least 1 of the 2 days to learn and provide support for the work. A limited number of stakeholders have been invited.
11. If you haven't read the latest Quarterly Newsletter sent out in early October, [click here](#). Stay tuned...