

CEO Report Oct. 20, 2017

1. RAP hosted the hugely successful RAP Nonprofit Conference. There were over 200 people who attended. The surveys collected at the end of the event gave the overall score of 87 out of 100 on ten questions to gauge the opinion on the program, location, and individual speakers. RAP staff did a phenomenal job in planning the event and managing everything on the day.

Staff wrapped up the event, by sending out acknowledgement notes to speakers and sponsors. We were pleased that the sponsor contribution, exhibitor revenue and ticket sales allowed us to exceed the cost of the event.

2. I attended the most recent meeting of the Funders Alliance in Riverside. There was discussion on future projects. There is greater interest in bringing attention to capacity building with potential funders.
3. I participated in the Lift to Rise (LTR) "Thought Partners Action Planning Workshop" which was led by a facilitator with the Annie Casey Foundation. The Leadership committee was briefed on the progress of the Housing and Health Collective Action Networks (CAN). There was also discussion of adopting one more CAN to LTR, immigration. Depending on whether RAP receives the grant from the James Irvine Foundation, there will be future discussion of merging the *Nosotros* community stakeholders group organized by RAP into the LTR work. John and Eva have hosted a total of three *Nosotros* meetings. At the last meeting, the members confirmed that they are interested in working together, post DACA. They look forward to learning the outcome of the James Irvine Foundation (JIF) grant proposal. According to our JIF "handler," we should learn by the end of the week of Oct. 23 of their decision. Lift to Rise (LTR) is hosting a luncheon on Oct. 23 which will be attended by 20 bank representatives and the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. They will be given a presentation and be invited to financially support the future work.
4. RAP is transitioning to an updated version of our Management Information System to help us in managing our work better. Stuart will provide instruction to staff over the next few months.
5. Mireya and Stuart have been doing a great job managing the tenant improvements. Stuart has been primarily responsible for the previously approved contract with Statewide. Mireya has taken on the responsibility of additional improvements to the RAP and common area space. She has been especially "crafty" in getting lower costs in carpeting to cover additional areas and some of the other jobs needed. Unfortunately, there was some water damage to the suite which will be occupied by HARC. Mireya has taken the lead in having the repairs made to the walls, carpet and windows. We anticipate having the improvements be complete by the week of Oct. 23 and allowing HARC move in by the end of Oct. One Future Coachella Valley decided to move from the middle suite on the second floor to the space which was previously being considered by the United Way of the Desert. The new space will allow One Future to have access to their space without having to use the elevator and going through the Guthy Renker space. It will also give them their own restrooms and sink. The Facilities Committee approved the move and gave staff direction to seek either one tenant for the middle suite or market it as a multi-tenant suite.
6. If you did not receive the Fall 2017 Newsletter, click [here](#) to read it.