

RAP

FOUNDATION

Health, Mental Health, Juvenile Intervention

Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2016-17



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Chairman's Message



As I begin serving a second year as Chairman of the Regional Access Project (RAP) Foundation, I find myself reflecting on the events of the past year. First and foremost, we were deeply saddened by the loss of our board member and friend, Fourth District Supervisor John J. Benoit at the beginning of the year. John contributed his leadership and hard work to improve the lives of residents throughout the Fourth District and he will be sorely missed.

We were pleased to welcome our newest board members; Amber Amaya, Mike Gialdini, Tori Stjohns, and Anayeli Zavala to reach our full capacity of 21.

RAP has been extremely busy with the purchase of our new building in January and the beginning of our tenant improvements. Although we still have some more work to complete, we were able to move in on April 1. We're excited about having some other nonprofits joining us as tenants including: The Community Foundation serving Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, SMART Education, Voices for Children, The Carreon Foundation, Riverside County Community Connect, One Future CV, El Sol Neighborhood Services and Integrated Learning.

The Center for Nonprofit Advancement (CNA) was introduced in July of 2016 with the goal of enhancing our capacity-building services that had been previously provided through our Technical Assistance Program. Through CNA, RAP is able to help nonprofits become more effective and efficient so they can expand services and reach more clients. Learn more about CNA services including, but not limited to: workshops, webinars, consultant services, Nonprofit Conference, and meeting space by checking out our website: www.RAPFoundation.org

We look forward to continuing to partner with our nonprofits, community groups, school districts and county agencies to “**make a difference in people's lives**” in our eastern Riverside County communities.

Sincerely,

Mark Moran, Chairman

RAP FOUNDATION

The Regional Access Project Foundation's Vision and Mission focus on underserved communities and residents of the desert region of Riverside County:

RAP Vision: *An enhanced quality of life for all inhabitants of eastern Riverside County.*

RAP Mission: *The Regional Access Project Foundation provides funding, oversight, technical assistance and guidance to nonprofit, community based organizations or other collaborative groups which serve the populations of eastern Riverside County in the areas of health, mental health and juvenile intervention.*

RAP: Making a Difference in people's lives...

The Mental Health Initiative adopted by the RAP Board of Directors in fiscal year 2013-14 continued into this year, 2016-17. The commitment to addressing mental health needs is significant and it required dedication of a greater percentage of our financial resources to worthwhile mental health programs and projects throughout eastern Riverside County. That mental health focus notwithstanding, RAP continued to allocate funding through our Small Grants Program (up to \$5,000) and also to organizations addressing Food Insecurity or serving hard to reach populations in remote areas.

RAP also allocated funds to organizations serving youth, seniors, and families in a variety of programs. We want to recognize the efforts of some of the organizations performing essential work to improve the lives of our residents. We are extremely proud to be partnering with these organizations.

Monroe Elementary School – New water Station installed April 2017

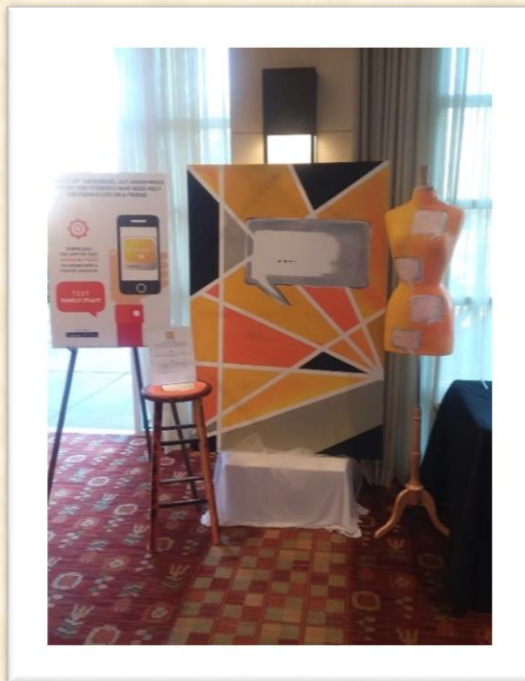


Mental Health Initiative

Operation SafeHouse Inc.

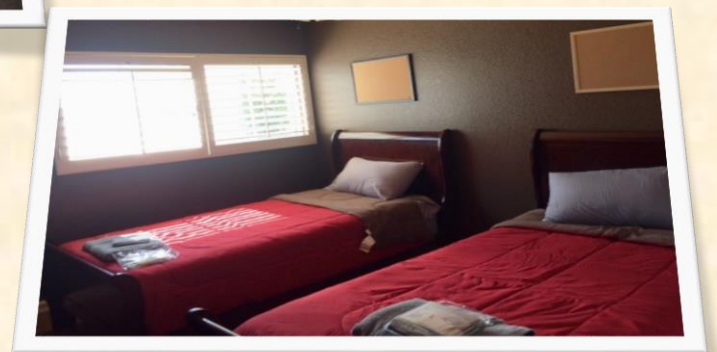
Mission: With community support, provides emergency shelter, intervention and outreach services to runaway, homeless and other youth in crisis. SafeHouse offers young people alternatives to becoming victims of the streets.

Addressing unmet need: SafeHouse responded to a “Call for Action” from RAP by introducing a mobile application called “What’s Up?” targeting youths who are dealing with serious emotional issues. Teenagers are able to communicate with a counselor by texting anonymously; they can get access to resources to help them deal with their issues. In 2016-17, RAP supported the implementation of What’s Up? by providing funds to SafeHouse’s first-year effort to reach 100 youths, to provide referrals, and to enable SafeHouse to reach 10,000 young people through presentations, social media, etc.



Riverside County Latino Commission

Mission: To provide services for those in our community who are facing problems of substance abuse and/or problems with mental health issues.

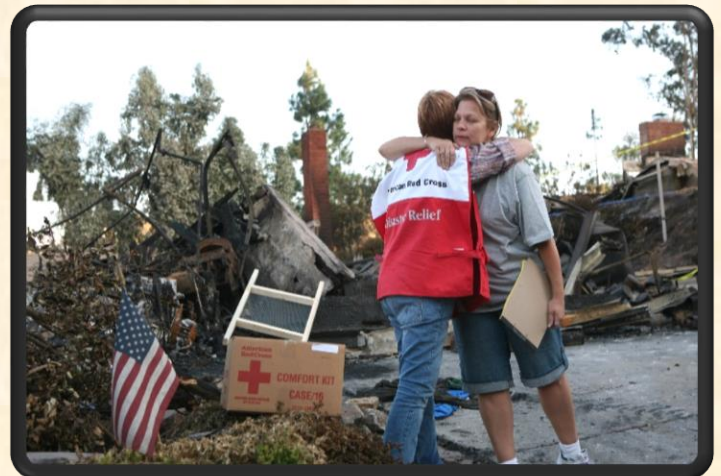


Addressing unmet need: The Latino Commission partnered with RAP in developing the only youth residential substance abuse treatment facilities in eastern Riverside County. As a result of RAP's investment, there are two new youth residential substance abuse treatment facilities: a six bed boys (ages 12 to 17-1/2) facility in Coachella and a 6-bed girls (ages 12 to 17-1/2) facility in Indio. The facilities serve approximately 49 boys and 49 girls (for a 45-day program residency) on an annual basis.

American Red Cross of the Coachella Valley and Morongo Basin

Mission: The American Red Cross prevents and alleviates human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors.

Addressing unmet need: The Reconnection Workshops focus on individual/small group discussion that enhances the likelihood of positive family reunions for military service members returning to civilian life. The workshop topics include managing anger, supporting children, building communication, reconnecting with others and other topics critical to reunion adjustment.



Focus on Student Success (FOSS)

Mission: Focus on Student Success (FOSS) is to improve the lives of children and youth through different programs for the enduring benefit of all. Our goal is to empower young people to accomplish their potential through mentoring and life skills development.



Addressing Unmet Need: The Center for Applied Research Solutions hosted training for the Desert Sands Unified School District's Student Assistance Program (S.A.P.) in La Quinta, in May 2015, yielding a wealth of information about student depression, drug and alcohol use, family issues, etc..

The Strengthening Families Program (SFP) provided by FOSS is an evidence-based program for parents and children ages 6-11. SFP uses a parent, youth, and multi-family group format to prevent teen problem behaviors and substance abuse, while it also helps to enhance parenting skills and to build family strengths. FOSS is partnering with Desert Sands Unified School District, Church 212 and Riverside County Behavioral Health.

Safe Schools Desert Cities Corporation

Mission: Safe Schools Desert Cities empowers area Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning, Intersex youth (LGBTQI+), their allies and GSA (Gay Straight Alliance) advisors.

It offers opportunities that foster a sense of community and individual growth by providing education, guidance, advocacy, resources, recreational activities and opportunities for self-expression.



Addressing Unmet Need: This Leadership Summit provides the LGBTQI+ youth an annual weekend experience with a focus on leadership, personal enrichment, resilience and community. It provides them with the tools to return to their GSA clubs and initiate in their own lives and in the lives of other youths much of what they have learned at the Leadership Summit.

Small Grants



Act for MS

Mission: Providing assistance for Coachella Valley residents living with multiple sclerosis-- helping individuals live stronger, longer.

Addressing an Unmet Need: Since 1999, the number of clients we serve has grown dramatically from the original 5 clients to approximately 90, plus their family members. And, owing to our recent partnership with Desert Health Care

District and HARC, these numbers will grow even more over the next 2 years.

RAP's funding helped the new full-time Executive Director by providing office equipment and software to improve the internal customer database and grant reporting management systems required by future funders.

Desert Recreation District (DRD)

Mission: DRD's mission is to provide and maintain quality park and recreation facilities programs and services and to facilitate leisure opportunities for all residents to access. Personal Benefits include physical fitness, enrichment, relaxation, and revitalization; Social Benefits result in stronger and healthier families, ethnic and cultural harmony, reduced anti-social behavior; and enriched lives for persons with disabilities. Economic Benefits include more productive and healthier citizens; and contributions to the quality of life sought by business and industry

Addressing an unmet need: The National Council on Aging reports that one in six seniors living alone in the United States faces physical, cultural, and/or geographical barriers and other factors that isolate them from their peers and communities. Isolation can prevent seniors from receiving or becoming aware of services and resources that may be beneficial to their physical and mental health. DRD recognizes the increased vulnerability when such factors exist. RAP's funding helps realize the DRD's goal of providing a healthy, safe, and interactive environment for the seniors of the North Shore community



Hard To Serve Populations and Food Insecurity

The Colorado River Communities Senior Center

Mission: Dedicated to the general welfare and economic development of the citizens residing within the Colorado River Communities.

Addressing an Unmet Need: The Meals on Wheels program has been successful in providing meals to virtually all clients who have requested the service. This is an ongoing need; Many residents of this extremely remote community are unemployed, age, sick and in some cases unable to take care of themselves.



Galilee Center

Mission: To fulfill the needs of the underprivileged and disadvantaged by providing food, clothing, and other basic needs and affirm the dignity with love, compassion and respect.



Addressing an Unmet Need:

Galilee Center is housed at their newly renovated facility located in Mecca, a remote farmworker community. The Galilee Center helps more than 350 families per week with the following services: food distribution, clothing vouchers, rental and utility assistance, infant and senior services, back packs and school supplies, special holiday assistance, among others.

Additional organizations receiving RAP funds in FY 2016-17

ABC Recovery Center, Inc.
Acquisition Corp
ACT for MS
All Things Are Possible, Inc.
American Red Cross CV/Morongo Basin
Blythe Police Activities League
Building Healthy Communities CV
Coachella Valley High School
Coachella Valley Unified School District Property Acquisition Corp.
Colorado River Senior Center
Community Action Partnership of Riverside County
Culturas Music & Arts
Desert Best Friend's Closet
Desert Cancer Foundation
Desert Hot Springs Community Task Force
Desert Recreation District
Desert Hot Springs Eagles, Inc.
Focus On Student Success
Galilee Center
HARC, Inc.
Integrated Learning Institute
Jewish Family Services of the Desert
LGBT Community Center
Lift to Rise
Los Medicos Voladores- Flying Doctors
Mizell Senior Center
Oak Grove Institute Foundation
Operation SafeHouse
Palm Desert Rotary
Reynaldo Carreon MD Foundation
Riverside County Office on Aging
Rotary Club of Indio Foundation
Safe Schools, Desert Cities, Inc.
University of California Riverside School of Medicine
Voices for Children
Well in the Desert
World Affairs Council of the Desert

Events

The RAP Foundation is pleased to have participated in community events throughout this past year. Through sponsorships, the Board supports a variety of events that are regional or benefit a hard to serve population in one of our three focus areas, Health, Mental Health and Juvenile Intervention.

Blythe Summer Safety Event 2016



El Sol "Parent Child Home Program" Graduation June 21, 2017



***Oasis Soccer Field Opening
Supervisor John J. Benoit September 2016***



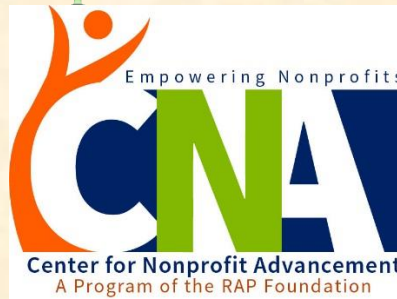
Flying Doctors October 1, 2016



The Coachella Valley Autism Society Presents: "Putting the Pieces Together" June 17, 2017.



Center for Nonprofit Advancement (CNA)



“Nonprofits have an obligation to seek new and even more effective ways of making tangible progress towards their missions, and this requires building organizational capacity. All too many nonprofits, however, focus on creating new programs and keeping administrative costs low instead of building the organizational capacity necessary to achieve their aspirations effectively and efficiently... This must change: both nonprofit managers and those that fund them must recognize that excellence in programmatic innovation and implementation are insufficient for nonprofits to achieve lasting results. Great programs need great organizations behind them.”

Effective Capacity Building in Nonprofit Organizations,
Report for Venture Philanthropy Partners by McKinsey & Company (2001)

After a six month assessment period incorporating input gained from focus groups and a variety of stakeholders, RAP’s Technical Assistance Program (TAP) underwent a transformation and re-emerged as the Center for Nonprofit Advancement (CNA).

In addition to, or maybe as a result of this transformation, the Board of Director decided to invest in RAP’s own building to greater enhance CNA services. The building will house RAP’s offices, in addition to increasing services for nonprofit clients. Also, RAP is renting affordable space to nonprofits and is now able to provide additional meeting room space.

CNA is committed to developing opportunities to grow nonprofit organizations in eastern Riverside County. This is in recognition that the nonprofit sector is a part of a vital economy providing services that might fall through the gaps of government and the private sector. CNA endeavors to enhance nonprofit’s ability to become more effective in improving the economic, health, and educational outcomes of our residents. We believe that we can maximize the impact on the infrastructure of nonprofit organizations and change the culture to become more effective in addressing the needs of our community.



***Sexual Harassment and
New Law Workshop
May 18, 2017***

CNA Resource Center Service Matrix

Category	Available Services
Organizational Development	Consulting Services
	Legal Assistance Referrals
	Bookkeeping and Reporting Assistance
Grants & Funding	Grant Research Databases and Search Tools
Talent Management & Human Resources	Volunteer Recruitment Assistance
Networking	Conferences
	Facilities for Meetings
	Bi-monthly Nonprofit Mixers
Training & Technical	University of Riverside – Palm Desert Campus Certificate for Nonprofit Management
	Office Productivity Software Training
	Workshops In: Human Resources, Marketing, Grant Writing, etc.
	Using QuickBooks
Other Services	Lending & Online Library
	Copies, Meeting Rooms
	Desert Fast Pitch Training and Grant Awards

Trainings Completed in Fiscal Year 2016-17

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| Express Online Marketing | Getting Talent Right |
| Intermediate Excel Part 1 | Mastering the Media |
| Starting Your Nonprofit | Build a Great Safety Program |
| Webinar Welcome to CNA | Intermediate Excel |
| Constant Contact | Grow Your Nonprofit Online |
| Mentoring & Training | Nonprofit Organization Policies & Procedures |
| Avoiding Sexual Harassment & New Laws Impacting 2017 | |
| Completing & Submitting Your Exemption Applications | |
| Free Webinar: Coaching & CNA Membership | |

Center for Nonprofit Advancement Clients in FY 2016-17

Academic Solutions USA
Atrium Sober Living
Autism Society of America – Coachella Valley
Boys & Girls Club of Coachella Valley
Cathedral City Senior Center
Christine De Mat
College of the Desert
Create Center for the Arts
Christopher's Clubhouse
Cruz Family
David McHenry
Desert Highland Gateway Health and Wellness Committee
Diversity DHS
Family Health & Support Network
Family Service Association Community
First Baptist Church in DHS
Get In Motion! EMPRENDEDORES
Global Love Music Movement
Graceful Passages
Grid Alternatives
Housing Development Organization
Joslyn Center
Mama's House
Mary Jane Sanchez
My Jump
OneFuture Coachella Valley
Opera Guild of the Desert
Palm Springs Cemetery District
Parkinson's Resource Organization
Peace Makers
Phoenix Sober Living
Reynaldo J. Carreon M D Foundation
Silver Moon Co
Souls Praising Heaven
Spirit Mountain Retreat
Starlight Cares Foundation
Theatre Sports
United Way of the Desert – Coachella Valley
Valle Del Sol Community Services
Valley Living of Palm Desert
Veterans Assistance
Well in the Desert
Wounded Refuge

Financials

Regional Access Project Foundation

June 30, 2017

Statement of Financial Position

	Total	2016 for Comparative Purposes Only
Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$626,167	\$784,497
Cash Held for Others	42,893	1,906
Investments - Mutual Funds	388,831	1,040,671
Beneficial Interest in Assets Held by Community Foundations	410,223	2,143,022
Grants Receivable		16,519
Other Receivables	3,711	-
County Tax Increment Funding Receivable	744,238	776,140
Employee Advances	-	-
Other Assets	-	48,957
Prepaid Expenses	122,641	23,699
Property and Equipment, Net	<u>2,794,149</u>	<u>15,079</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	5,132,854	4,850,490
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	21,968	20,506
Accrued Payroll Expenses	38,053	44,571
Grants Payable to Other Exempt Entities	37,750	87,000
Agency Funds Held for Others	4,906	1,906
Deferred Revenues	<u>10,322</u>	<u>3,000</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	112,999	156,983
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>5,019,854</u>	<u>4,693,507</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$5,132,854	\$4,850,490

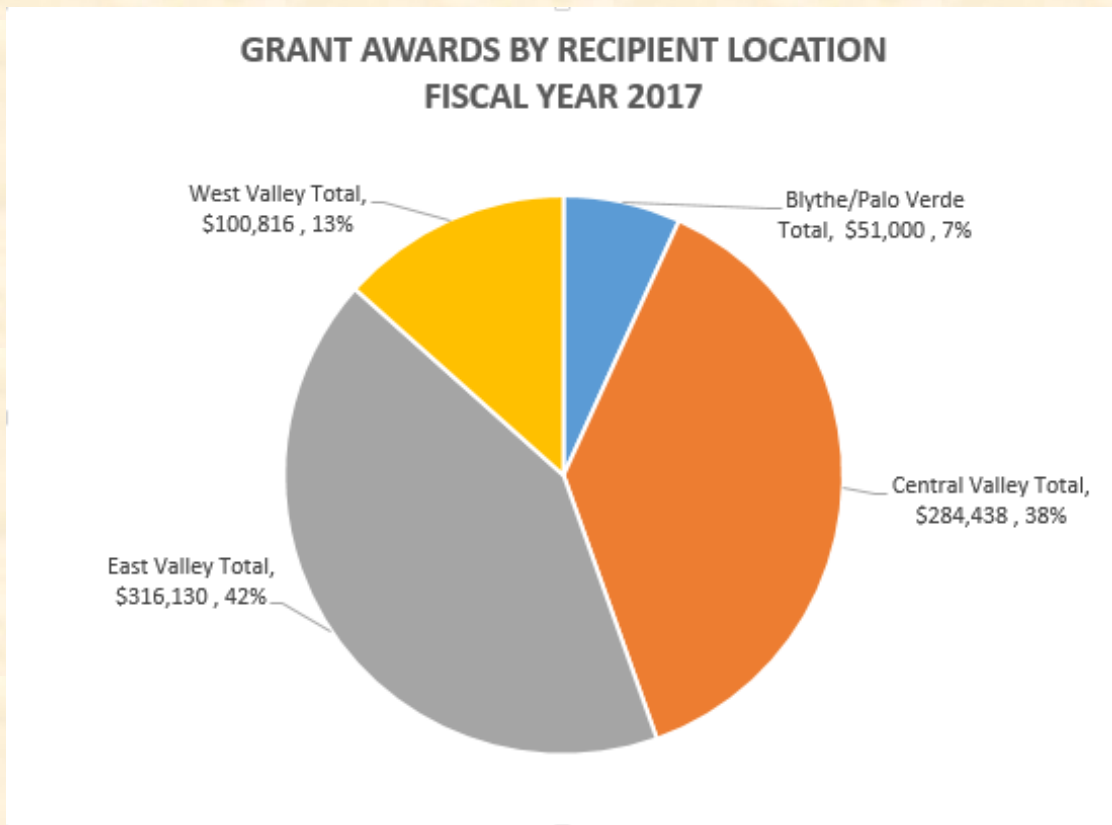
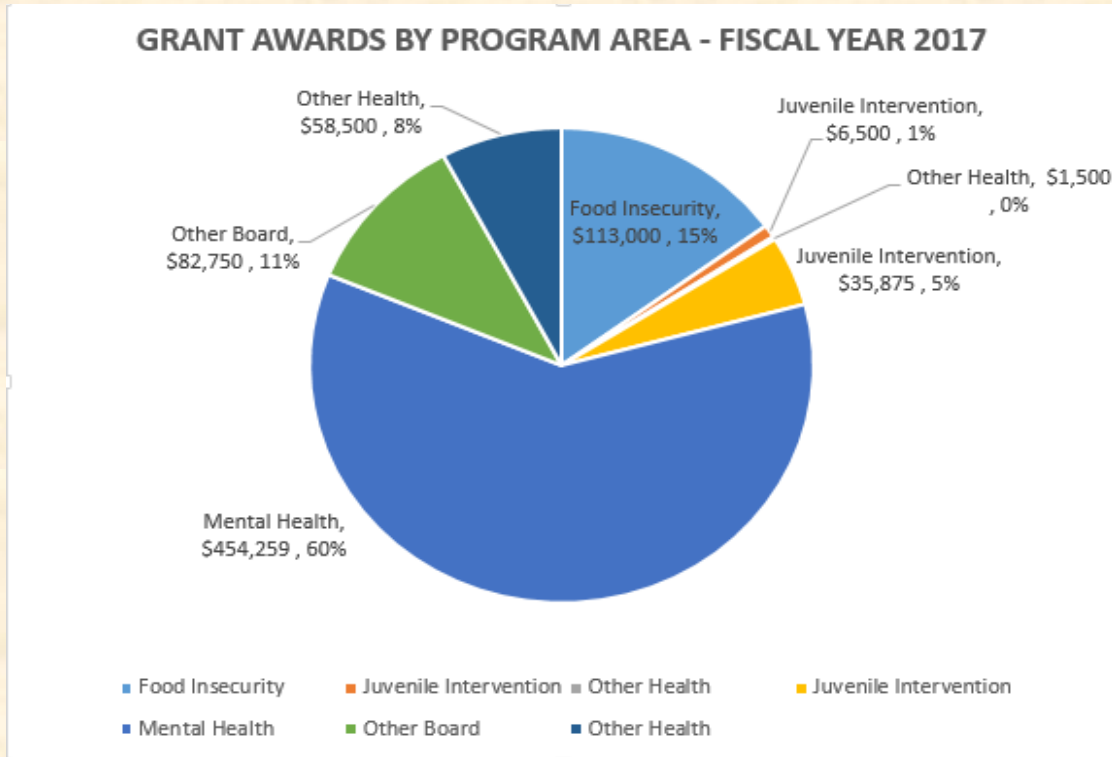
Regional Access Project Foundation

Year Ended June 30, 2017

Statement of Activities

	2017 Total	2016 For Comparative Purposes Only
OPERATING SUPPORT AND REVENUE		
Contributions	\$ 88,908	\$ 88,051
County Tax Increment Revenue	1,297,295	1,370,949
Grants	115,689	48,970
Rental Revenues	74,298	-
Service Revenues	27,044	-
Other Income, Gains (Losses)	<u>91,319</u>	<u>5,853</u>
TOTAL OPERATING SUPPORT AND REVENUE	1,694,553	1,513,823
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Program Services:		
Grant Allocations to Exempt Entities	713,233	628,612
CNA (formerly Technical Assistance)	388,102	267,671
Desert Connect Program	-	112,345
Coachella Valley Youth Leadership	12,310	106,187
Other Programs	<u>110,738</u>	<u>83,389</u>
Total Program Services	1,224,383	1,198,204
Support Services:		
Management and General	324,530	300,689
Fund-raising	4,865	3,590
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,553,778	1,502,486
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS FROM OPERATIONS	140,775	11,340
Investment Income		
Realized	28,533	97,041
Unrealized Gains (Losses)	<u>157,039</u>	<u>(176,629)</u>
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	326,347	(68,248)
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	4,693,507	4,761,755
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$5,019,854	\$4,693,507

Charts



Board of Directors

Mark Moran, Government Relations. **Chairman**

Craig Borba, Ed.D., Retired Palm Springs Unified School District Assistant Superintendent. **Vice Chair**

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Tricia Gehrlein, Associate Director of Clinton Health Matters Initiative. **Director**

Van Tanner, retired businessman and Palm Desert City Councilman. **Director**

Beatriz Gonzalez, After School Education Services District Coordinator with Coachella Valley Unified. **Director**

Brandy Cox, Palo Verde High School Principal, **Director**

Anayeli Zavala, Coachella Valley Economic Partnership (Workforce Excellence) / City of Desert Hot Springs Council Member. **Director**

Mike Gialdini, Retired Legislative Assistant for the County of Riverside, Chrysler Corporation Executive. **Director**

Amber Amaya, New American Media/Coachella Unincorporated. **Director**

Tori St. Johns, Desert Sands Unified School District. **Director**

V. Manuel Perez, Riverside County Supervisor, 4th District. **Director (Permanent Member)**

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