



**Special Grants Review Committee Agenda**  
**Tuesday, April 11, 2023, 9:00 AM Pacific Time**  
**RAP Foundation, 41-550 Eclectic St., Palm Desert, CA 92260**

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**Committee Members:** Craig Borba (Chair), Rosemary Ortega (Vice-Chair), Ann Dew, Aurora Wilson, Maria Blue, Mike Gialdini, Sandra Loureiro, Van Tanner

**Desert Healthcare District Members:** Donna Craig, Jana Trew, Meghan Kane

- I. **CALL TO ORDER: Roll call**
- II. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Action Required**

**Staff Recommendation: To approve the April 11, 2023, Grants Review Committee Agenda.**

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- III. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Persons wishing to speak are requested to 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 Public Comment remarks to three (3) minutes

- IV. **APPROVE GRANTS REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES: (Attach 1) Action Required**

**Staff Recommendation: To approve the March 13, 2023, Grants Review Committee Meeting Minutes.**

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- V. **REVIEW OF GRANTS TRACKER: (Attach 2)**

**VI. GRANT FUNDING REQUEST:**

**Mental Health Grant #1 at 9:40 AM (Attach 3) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>Hope Through Housing</b>
Program:	<i>Connections to Care Coachella Valley</i>
Requested Amount:	<b>\$20,000</b>
<p>Hope through Housing’s Connections to Care program in the Coachella Valley seeks to improve the health and well-being of 996 residents living in low-income affordable housing communities housing children, families and seniors, in the Coachella Valley and the Desert Healthcare District, specifically Cathedral City, Indio and La Quinta. We focus on care coordination at our properties where our team connects and utilizes community health resources/services to ensure our residents receive much-needed health insurance (MediCal) and maintain their physical, emotional and mental health. Your \$20,000 investment will make preventative care available to some of Riverside County’s most vulnerable residents. Through a variety of programmatic activities including art therapy, coffee socials, information distribution, walking clubs and exercise therapy, we want to provide isolation intervention, expanding access to care for our residents who are battling loneliness, depression and other mental health concerns. Our goal is to provide education to increase knowledge and awareness of resources and reduce the stigma of mental health. Language barriers, lack of transportation and funds and cultural traditions hamper too many of our residents in their quest to seek resources. We will use this grant to better engage and connect other health partners to bring information and resources directly to our residents where they live.</p>	
Representative:	Suzanne Sproul
Reviewer’s Scores:	<b>79%</b> Six reviewers scoring: 60, 63, 71, 77, 80, 89
Prior RAP Funding:	2020 for \$12,500

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**Mental Health Grant #2 at 10:00 AM (Attach 4) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>Jewish Family Service of the Desert</b>
Program:	<i>Increasing Current and Future Access to Mental Health Services</i>
Requested Amount:	<b>\$50,000</b>
<p>Jewish Family Service of the Desert (JFS) provides low- or no-cost mental health counseling services. For those without insurance who have a sustaining income, a sliding scale is offered. For those without insurance or a sustaining income, scholarships are offered, ensuring all those who want to engage with a JFS therapist are able to do so, regardless of their ability to pay. In an effort to meet these staggering needs in a culturally appropriate manner, services are provided in English and Spanish. From July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 (FY22), JFS provided 6,672 mental health counseling services to 908 unduplicated Coachella Valley residents. Clinicians’ schedules remain full, and the agency works quickly to fill vacancies when clients cancel or reschedule. Additionally, JFS and other area providers continue to recruit counselors in the face of the increasing need. With an increasing population, limited counseling resources, and rising demand, it’s imperative to offer training opportunities to future providers.</p>	
Representative:	Kraig Johnson
Reviewer’s Scores:	<b>88%</b> Six reviewers scoring: 69, 80, 80, 97, 100, 100

Prior RAP Funding:	FY22-23 Small Grant: \$10,000, FY21-22 Mental Health Initiative: \$50,000
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**Mental Health Grant #3 at 10:20 AM (Attach 5) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>Cathedral City Senior Center</b>
Program:	<i>Creating the Mid-Valley Center for Emotional Wellness at Cathedral Center</i>
Requested Amount:	<b>\$50,000</b>
<p>Cathedral City is a majority-minority, 60% Hispanic community that resembles east valley cities much more than its west valley peers. We are a community with disproportionate households in low-income census tracts. We are also a working-class city of young, multi-generational families. As identified through our significant outreach efforts, there is a substantial need for social services, specifically mental health services, for this population reluctant to reach out for help. Through our intentional and expansive Edmundo &amp; Herlinda Carrillo Equity in Aging community outreach initiative within the Hispanic community, we know many local Spanish-speaking residents need access to emotional wellness resources. Reasons include isolation, transportation issues, language barriers, finances, stigma, and accessibility. The equity initiative employs an iterative community needs survey revealing that emotional wellness is a profound issue. Phase two of our Equity in Aging initiative is the creation of the Mid-Valley Center for Emotional Wellness. This new program will serve Cathedral City particularly well as it is a post-Prop 13 city with fewer financial resources and infrastructure than our neighboring cities. Cathedral City has no parks department, community centers, or social services. Cathedral Center has become a de facto community center providing those much-needed services. Cathedral City residents face more challenges financially, medically, emotionally, nutritionally, and with transportation than their west valley peers. The senior center provides many 'embedded' social service partners with a free workspace. CCSC has become a 'go-to' place for help for all ages across Cathedral City.</p>	
Representative:	Geoff Corbin
Reviewer's Scores:	<b>81%</b> Six reviewers scoring: 71, 80, 80, 83, 83, 86
Prior RAP Funding:	COVID-19: \$10,000

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**Mental Health Grant #4 at 10:40 AM (Attach 6) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>Martha's Village and Kitchen</b>
Program:	<i>Connect for BIPOC, Homeless, and Impoverished Individuals &amp; Families</i>
Requested Amount:	<b>\$50,000</b>
<p>Martha's will expand its current behavioral/mental health services offerings to ensure that homeless and impoverished individuals and families are aware of resources that are available to them. Martha's staff will incorporate behavioral health awareness in to its interactions with homeless and impoverished clients. Martha's will develop and distribute mental health resources that are tailored to increase awareness of warning signs and the availability of services for this vulnerable population. Martha's will target distribution of mental health awareness materials to the following populations: (a) homeless</p>	

individuals and families living in Martha's homeless shelter and its new location in Palm Springs (b) homeless and impoverished individuals and families utilizing Martha's homeless and impoverished services (c) homeless and impoverished individuals and families participating in partner organization programs and/or living in hard to reach locations and (D) Martha's CalAIM Clients in Blythe. No other organization in the region is uniquely positioned with the expertise and experience to support this vulnerable population's behavioral/mental health access, awareness, availability, and education.

Representative:	Matt Phillips
Reviewer's Scores:	<b>81%</b> Six reviewers scoring: 71, 80, 80, 80, 86, 89
Prior RAP Funding:	COVID-19: \$6,000

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**Mental Health Grant #5 at 11:00 AM (Attach 7) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>The Joslyn Center</b>
Program:	<i>Mental Health Counseling for Isolated and Underserved Communities</i>
Requested Amount:	<b>\$50,000</b>
<p>The program is designed to provide culturally competent evidence based individual or group Problem solving Therapy to low-income, underserved Hispanic/Latinx residents in the Coachella Valley concentrating on those communities and areas with the highest demographics representing these residents. These residents are isolated from receiving mental health services because of language barriers and because of stigma related to mental health services in their community. Problem Solving Therapy is a preferred method of mental health counseling for older adults as it has been found to be most effective in combatting anxiety, depression, and situational challenges most often found in the older adult population. Problem-solving therapy (PST), is an evidence-based behavioral health intervention that focuses individually and in group settings on helping patients manage stressful events. Stress may be related to life altering events, such as death of a loved one, chronic illness, or divorce, but may also be an accumulation of "minor" occurrences, such as relationship conflict, financial difficulties, age-related challenges, and other issues.</p>	
Representative:	Jack Newby
Reviewer's Scores:	<b>83%</b> Six reviewers scoring: 77, 80, 80, 80, 89, 89
Prior RAP Funding:	FY20-21 Health/Mental Health Initiative: \$21,000

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**Mental Health Grant #6 at 11:20 AM (Attach 8) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>Oak Grove Institute</b>
Program:	<i>Mental Health 3C: Connecting, Collaborating, Coaching</i>

Requested Amount:	<b>\$43,400</b>
Oak Grove Center has been rebuilding the lives of children and their families since 1989 and began offering services within the Desert communities several years ago. In 2020, we acquired Sanctuary Palm Springs, a transitional housing program for non-minor dependents, specifically focused to meet the needs of the LGBTQ+ community foster youth transitioning to adulthood. Through the Mental Health 3C Program, Oak Grove Center will provide mental health services to children, youth and families who desperately need access to care. Mental health support will be available through drop-in hours and remote sessions, telehealth appointments and phone support at our Palm Springs location, in person at Sanctuary and through telehealth services virtually.	
Representative:	Tammy Wilson
Reviewer's Scores:	<b>77%</b> Six reviewers scoring: 63, 74, 80, 80, 80, 83
Prior RAP Funding:	2016 Small Grant: \$5,000

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**Mental Health Grant #7 at 11:40 AM (Attach 9) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>Voices for Children</b>
Program:	<i>Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Program</i>
Requested Amount:	<b>\$20,000</b>
A CASA's advocacy is tailored to address the individual needs of the child they serve, but critically, advocacy can increase access to mental health services so that the mental health needs of children are addressed. CASAs communicate with medical providers; monitor a child's health needs, medications, and referrals; and prevent needs from being overlooked when children change housing. CASAs are often the most consistent adult in the life of a child in foster care. As a result, they are well positioned to identify changes in a child's behavior, affect, and coping skills that may indicate that a child needs mental health services. In addition to providing children with access to care, CASAs can directly benefit the child's mental health through their positive relationship. Research shows that having a safe, stable, and nurturing relationship with an adult, such as a CASA, can help to reverse the negative impacts of trauma.	
Representative:	Christina Piranio
Reviewer's Scores:	<b>89%</b> Six reviewers scoring: 80, 80, 83, 94, 97, 100
Prior RAP Funding:	FY21-22 Mental Health Initiative: \$20,000

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**Mental Health Grant #8 at 12:40 PM (Attach 10) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>Innecare (Clinicas de Salud del Pueblo)</b>
Program:	<i>Behavioral Health Capacity Building</i>
Requested Amount:	<b>\$30,000</b>
The proposed project will increase quality and access to mental health services for the Blythe community by assigning a Behavioral Health Case Manager to support the current existing Behavioral Health Clinician. With the recent incorporation of integrated behavioral health services in Blythe, there has been a significant need for case management services. Case management duties include but are not limited to screening behavioral health patients, establishing an appropriate level of care, and serving as the experts	

to provide patients with community resources. The behavioral health Case Manager will evaluate patients undergoing mental health conditions and connect them with the services and resources needed to meet their recovery goals. Case management visits will be conducted virtually and telephonically to reduce barriers of access to care. Innercare anticipates providing 18 case management encounters per week Blythe.

Representative:	Sandra Sanders
Reviewer's Scores:	<b>85%</b> Six reviewers scoring: 71, 80, 80, 80, 97, 100
Prior RAP Funding:	FY21-22 Mental Health Initiative: \$50,000

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**Mental Health Grant #9 at 1:00 PM (Attach 11) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>ABC Recovery Center, Inc.</b>
Program:	<i>The Family Program</i>
Requested Amount:	<b>\$151,226.81</b>
<p>Our family program is dedicated to supporting family members who have been impacted by the loved one's substance use disorders and providing them greater opportunities for good mental health. We realize the importance of treating the whole family system while serving the clients. Loving someone with substance use disorders can be daunting. Families often feel confused, helpless, and alone. Addiction impacts each member of the family, often profoundly. The focus is on getting the client sober, but without including the family an important component is missing. Treating the individual without family involvement may limit the effectiveness of treatment for two main reasons: it ignores the devastating impact of SUDs on the family system leaving family members untreated, and it does not recognize the family as a potential system of support for change. Substance use disorders (SUDs) are a family disease.</p>	
Representative:	Maureen Giouard
Reviewer's Scores:	<b>76%</b> Six reviewers scoring: 63, 71, 77, 80, 80, 83
Prior RAP Funding:	2016 Mental Health Initiative: \$75,000

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**Mental Health Grant #10 at 1:20 PM (Attach 12) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>Hathaway-Sycamores Child and Family Services</b>
Program:	<i>Sycamores Community Mental Health Services</i>
Requested Amount:	<b>\$50,000</b>
<p>Sycamores Community Mental Health Services currently provides mental health assessments, individual and family therapy, crisis intervention, Intensive Care Coordination, Intensive Home-Based Services, collateral services to parents and caregivers, substance abuse counseling, and psychiatry. These services are offered to address the issues previously listed, as well as to support healthy family relationships and parenting skills. Mental Health Rehabilitation is also offered and includes skill building, case management and linkage to community resources. All consumers are low income. The average age of those receiving services is 13 years old. Thus far, of those receiving services, 31% are Black, 31% are Latinx and 38% are Caucasian.</p>	

Representative:	Karen Hopkins
Reviewer's Scores:	<b>86%</b> Five reviewers scoring: 74, 80, 83, 91, 100
Prior RAP Funding:	N/A

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**Mental Health Grant #11 at 1:40 PM (Attach 13) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>Olive Crest</b>
Program:	<i>Counseling/Mental Health Services for Children/families living in Coachella Valley/Blythe</i>
Requested Amount:	<b>\$50,000</b>
<p>Olive Crest continues to tackle the long-term consequences of the pandemic and its impact on the behavioral/mental health of children within the child welfare system throughout the Coachella and Palo Verde Valleys. We have also seen a surge in abuse and neglect due to the financial pressure families are under in an uncertain economy, which is impacting some of Coachella's most vulnerable families. In addition to increased caseloads, we are also seeing an increase in the acuity of trauma for the kids in our care. The most recently published 2021 County Health Rankings and Roadmaps underscores many of the challenges faced throughout the region, indicating that Riverside County has a 19% teen birth rate (the second highest rated county), a 20% Fair or Poor Health rate (third highest rated) and 14% of children live in poverty. Given the struggle to stabilize in these turbulent times, our youth are at heightened risk of trauma, increased mental health issues, and drug abuse. The task of improving outcomes for these vulnerable, indigent children and families has altered considerably in recent years due to changes in California's child welfare system. Recent legislation has led to a positive increase in high level psychiatric and behavioral health counseling services for youth. (This same legislation has also pushed for shorter length of care and led to higher acuity cases in foster homes.)</p>	
Representative:	Rachel Repko
Reviewer's Scores:	<b>87%</b> Five reviewers scoring: 80, 80, 80, 97, 100
Prior RAP Funding:	FY22 Sponsorship: \$5,000, FY22 Small Grant: \$6,675

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**Mental Health Grant #12 at 2:00 PM (Attach 14) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>Step Up on Second Street</b>
Program:	<i>Extended Case Management and Community Supports in the Coachella Valley</i>
Requested Amount:	<b>\$50,000</b>
<p>Step Up opened programs in the Inland Empire in 2016. Since then, Step Up has provided linkages to housing opportunities and supportive services to individuals experiencing homelessness and mental health conditions in San Bernardino and Riverside counties. Along with linkages to permanent supportive housing and rapid re-housing services, Step Up provides a comprehensive set of services designed to help members be self-sufficient, build a sense of belonging, and maintain housing. These services include psychiatric and physical healthcare, individualized case management, life skills education, crisis intervention, and connections to community resources such as medical, dental, mental health, substance use counseling, childcare, and workforce development services. Step Up is also an active participant in</p>	

California's Project Homekey program, transforming motels into supportive housing and providing housing placement opportunities for individuals served through other Step Up programs. Step Up San Bernardino is the agency's permanent supportive housing community in San Bernardino and hosts 76 permanent supportive housing units. Step Up recently opened Step Up Redlands with another 100 units.	
Representative:	Lynne Elwan
Reviewer's Scores:	<b>77%</b> Five reviewers scoring: 71, 74, 77, 80, 83
Prior RAP Funding:	N/A

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**Mental Health Grant #13 at 2:20 PM (Attach 15) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>Angel View</b>
Program:	<i>Improving Awareness of and Access to Mental Health Services for Local Families Raising Children with Disabilities</i>
Requested Amount:	<b>\$39,880</b>
The Angel View Children's Outreach Program provides support and a wide range of services to Coachella Valley families raising children with disabilities, all at no cost to clients. We are proposing a project that falls under the umbrella of our Children's Outreach Program. Our proposed project seeks to improve awareness of and access to mental, emotional, and behavioral health resources among local families raising children with disabilities. We will accomplish that goal by: 1) providing information on mental, emotional and behavioral health resources and services to local families raising children with disabilities; 2) assisting families with applications for insurance and other safety net benefits programs that cover mental health services; 3) helping them find mental, emotional and behavioral health providers contracted by their insurance plans, and 4) reimbursing them for miles traveled accessing mental, emotional and behavioral health services.	
Representative:	Catherine Rips
Reviewer's Scores:	<b>81%</b> Five reviewers scoring: 71, 80, 80, 80, 94
Prior RAP Funding:	FY22 Small Grant: \$10,000

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**Mental Health Grant #14 at 2:40 PM (Attach 16) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>United Cerebral Palsy of the Inland Empire</b>
Program:	<i>Family Empowerment Program</i>
Requested Amount:	<b>\$26,475</b>
UCPIE's Family Empowerment Program provides facilitated counseling sessions to families raising a child with special needs. For the proposed project year, UCPIE will offer five tracks with six family units per track, over a seven-week period, for a total of 30 families benefiting from the program. Sessions are provided by a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT); 630 hours of counseling will be rendered to these families. UCPIE's contracted LMFT follows a structured curriculum developed to target topics specific to the needs of the primary caregiver(s) of an individual with special needs. Families benefit from the supportive environment, a safe place in which they can share experiences and learn techniques that	



help with their day-to-day challenges. Specialized curriculum covers: learning that you have power, balancing caretaking, respecting emotional differences, processing feelings, taking care of yourself and building a healthy relationship.	
Representative:	Calista Vassios
Reviewer's Scores:	<b>86%</b> Five reviewers scoring: 69, 78, 86, 89, 97
Prior RAP Funding:	FY22 Small Grant: \$3,850

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**Mental Health Grant #15 at 3:00 PM (Attach 17) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>Shelter From the Storm, Inc.</b>
Program:	<i>Case Management and Counseling Services Program</i>
Requested Amount:	<b>\$50,000</b>
<p>Domestic violence impacts all aspects of a person's life from their psyche to their physical being. It is not about choosing to stay or leave; it is about power and control. Using your power to control another person emotionally, physically, psychologically, spiritually, financially, and even sexually. It comes in many forms and affects the entire family unit not just the direct victim and the perpetrator. It is complex and it is extremely dangerous, especially when it is between intimate partners. Statistics show domestic violence continues to be the leading cause of death in women ages 18 to 34, more so than car accidents, assaults, and rapes combined. Every nine seconds a woman is abused by a former or current partner. 75% of children living in a household where domestic violence is present are not just witnesses to the abuse but are abused themselves. Statistics show it takes a victim of DV at the hands of an intimate partner seven attempts to leave before finally having the courage to leave for good and not return to the abusive partnership. Many of these victims stay because they feel they will not be believed or do not know where to turn or how to get help. That is why Shelter From The Storm has its Community Counseling Center available for just those victims. It is our main business office &amp; our centralized location providing victims of intimate partner DV with a safe location to receive therapeutic, counseling, and case management services focusing on safety planning, providing them with resources and services if they do need to go to shelter, how to recognize the signs of abuse and increased violence in the relationship and the support to become self-sufficient and courageous enough to leave the relationship or if they have already left the relationship to not return to it. Individual therapeutic counseling sessions also assist with setting goals for their safety and mental health to recognize the patterns and cycles of abuse in their lives and how to break those cycles and help their children not repeat them in their future relationships.</p>	
Representative:	Angelina Coe
Reviewer's Scores:	<b>82%</b> Five reviewers scoring: 77, 80, 80, 80, 94,
Prior RAP Funding:	N/A

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**Mental Health Grant #16 at 3:20 PM (Attach 18) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>Queer Works</b>
Program:	<i>The Pink Flamingo</i>
Requested Amount:	<b>\$55,000</b>

The Pink Flamingo is a refurbished motorhome that is staffed by licensed mental health providers and clinical staff who are specifically trained in providing culturally competent care to LGBTQ+ individuals. The program uses an innovative system to provide services, including “street” individual and group therapy, mental health screenings, and referrals to other healthcare providers when necessary. The center is equipped with state-of-the-art technology, including telehealth capabilities, which allows clients to access mental health services remotely if needed. In addition to providing direct mental health services, Queer Works will utilize The Pink Flamingo to offer training and education to service providers and organizations to promote cultural competency and improve the quality of mental health services for LGBTQ+ individuals.

Representative:	Jacob Rostovsky
Reviewer’s Scores:	<b>88%</b> Five reviewers scoring: 74, 77, 91, 97, 100
Prior RAP Funding:	N/A

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**Mental Health Grant #17 at 3:40 PM (Attach 19) Action Required**

Organization:	<b>Desert Arc</b>
Program:	<i>Family and Caregiver Social Well-Being Resource Pilot</i>
Requested Amount:	<b>\$24,750</b>

Since 1959, Desert Arc has championed the rights of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) guided by its mission to enhance the quality of life and create opportunities for people with disabilities. The vision is to increase the choices, capabilities, and independence of adults with disabilities. The programs and services provided by Desert Arc are designed to give each individual, the most vulnerable members of our society, a safe and supportive, person-centric resource base to reach their highest potential to live, work and socialize in the community. Desert Arc has experienced a paradigm shift in its program and service delivery since the onset of the pandemic, beginning with the closing of its facilities given the overarching governmental health and safety mandates, to eventually moving through a continuum of slowly reopening its doors. The ensuing requisite pivot for this organization as a result of this global health crisis spanned an initial 100% virtual programming and services to its current hybrid IDD model of on-site and remote. Everyone involved, from Desert Arc staff to its base of over 700 adults with disabilities, in facing these unexpected challenges has successfully addressed these needed changes. However, it is important to recognize that this evolution also precipitated people experiencing stressful situations in adapting to this new normal. This includes the clients’ family members and caregivers.

Representative:	Kathrene Wales
Reviewer’s Scores:	<b>87%</b> Four reviewers scoring: 69, 83, 94, 100
Prior RAP Funding:	COVID-19: \$10,000

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- IX. **GRANTS REVIEW COMMITTEE MEMBER/STAFF COMMENTS:**
  - a. **RAP is seeking Readers to review grant applications.**

**b. Next scheduled meetings are:**

- Special Grants Review Committee Meeting: **Wednesday, April 12, 2023, at 9 AM-4 PM**
- Special Grants Review Committee Meeting: **Monday, April 17, 2023, at 10 AM-5 PM**

**X. ADJOURNMENT:** Agenda Posting: Agendas will be posted on the Foundation website at <https://www.rapfoundation.org> a minimum of 72 hours prior to the meeting date. All public record documents for matters on the open session of the Agenda are available for inspection upon request three (3) days prior to the meeting date. If a public record document that relates to a matter on the open session of the Agenda is distributed less than 72 hours prior to the meeting date, the public record document shall be available for inspection at the same time it is distributed at the address listed above. Upon request, this agenda will be made available in appropriate alternative formats to persons with disabilities, as required by Section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.