



**REGIONAL ACCESS PROJECT FOUNDATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA**

**April 24, 2024 at 12:00 PM**

UCR – Palm Desert Campus 75080 Frank Sinatra Drive Palm Desert, CA 92211  
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**I. CALL TO ORDER- Roll Call**

**II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

In order to meet Brown Act requirements, items may be added to the agenda only upon decision by a majority of the Board of Directors to add the item because of a need for immediate action.

Motion:				
Motion By:	Second By:	# Approve:	# Oppose:	Abstention (Name):

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT / PRESENTATIONS**

Any individual wishing to comment on the agenda or an item not on the agenda may do so by emailing [mreyes@rapfoundation.org](mailto:mreyes@rapfoundation.org) or calling in at the number above. All emailed comments must be received prior to 9:00 AM. Persons wishing to speak on 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. CONSENT ITEMS: Action Required**

**A. March 27, 2024 Board Meeting Draft Minutes** - Receive and file ([Attach. #1](#))

**B. CEO Report** - Receive and File ([Attach. #2](#))

**C. Coachella Valley Healthy Living Report** – Receive and File ([Attach. #3](#))

**D. NPO Centric Report** - Receive and File ([Attach. #4](#))

**Staff Recommendation:** To receive and file the March 27, 2024, 2024, BOD Minutes, CEO Report, Grant

Manager Report, Coachella Valley Healthy Living Report, ARPA Report and NPO Centric Report.

Motion:				
Motion By:	Second By:	# Approve:	# Oppose:	Abstention (Name):

**V. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS – Action May Be Required**

**A. Supervisor V. Manuel Perez or his Representative-** to provide update on County matters of interest.

**B. Chairperson’s Comments**

**C. GRANTS TRACKER FY 2023-2024:** [\(Attach. # 5\)](#)

**D. GRANT FUNDING REQUESTS**

**Performance Grant for the Riverside County’s Community Action Partnership. Requested \$25,000** [\(Attach. # 6\)](#) The Cool & Warm Center program is designed to reduce the heat-related health risks from extreme temperature conditions, especially among vulnerable low-income residents, such as the elderly, disabled, families with infants and young children living in disadvantaged communities. All residents are encouraged to visit a Cool & Warm Center to help reduce high-energy burdens during the summer and winter months and to provide relief from the heat and cold in where access to adequate cooling or heating is not available. Cool Centers are activated when the National Weather Service, monitored by Community Action staff, forecasts temperatures of 100 degrees or higher. A Heat Warning is issued, and each affected area will need to activate by displaying a cool center sign, setting up a welcoming table with a sign in sheet, water, nutritional snacks and community resources, and providing other material to help each individual stay healthy. Since high temperatures are constant in the desert area, Cool Centers in this region will be accessible to residents almost every day.

The FY 2022-2023 approved amount was \$20,000.

**Executive Committee Recommendation:** For the Board to approve \$25,000 to support this program.

**Motion:        Second:        Approved:        Opposed:        Abstention Name(s):**

**E. 2024 Employee Handbook -Fitzgerald and Mule’s updated document.** [\(Attach. #7\).](#)

The temporary paid leave and permanent incentive pay to offset reduced earnings during disability will be addresses at a later date. Recent discussions are highlighted in the document:

1. Page 23-Open-Door/Problem Resolution Policy
2. Page 31-Harassment, Discrimination, and Retaliation Prevention Policy
3. Page 30-Educational Reimbursement Policy

**Executive Committee Recommendation:** To recommend to the Board to adopt the 2024 Employee Handbook prepared by HR Attorney.

**Motion:        Second:        Approved:        Opposed:        Abstention Name(s)**

**F. Dept. of Health Care Services PATH TA Marketplace Vendor Application due April 30.** [\(Attach. #8\)](#)

RAP applied to be a vendor of capacity services for the State of California in 2023 and was denied on

June 16. Below is a summary of the review comments:

- Regional Access Project Foundation's application was denied due to lack of experience with CalAIM and insufficient detail in their application.
- TA project offerings did not align with the goals of the selected Domain(s).
- It was difficult to assess if the provider was qualified to provide TA in the selected Domain(s) due to the lack of sufficient detail in the application.

The information is provided on this link: <https://www.ca-path.com/ta-marketplace/learn-tam> and the Domains that we could apply for are:

- Domain 1 – Community Support
- Domain 2 Enhanced Care Management
- Domain 5 Promoting Health Equity.
- Being able to serve Rural Communities would apply to all Domains.

**Executive Committee Recommendation:** To not proceed with submitting an application.

## VI. Information Items

A. Board Committee Assignments ([Attach. # 9](#))

B. BOARD ATTENDANCE for 2024 ([Attach. #10](#))

C. Grants Committee: Next meeting May 13.

D. Executive Committee: Met on April 15. Approved Minutes for March 18 ([Attach. #11](#)). Next meeting May 13.

E. Finance/Investment Committee: To meet on April 24.

F. NPO Centric Committee: Meeting on April 17, 2024. Approved Minutes for March 25 ([Attach. #12](#)). Next meeting May 15.

G. Mental Health Committee: Met on March 27. Approved Minutes for Oct. 25, 2023 ([Attach. # 13](#)). Next meeting TBD.

## VII. BOARD MEMBER / STAFF COMMENTS

Board member Rosemary Ortega to share about attending the GANAS community event on Saturday April 13.

## VIII. Board Development Session – ([Attach. #14](#))

### IX. ADJOURNMENT: Next meeting is on May 22, 2024 at 9:00 AM

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