

City of San Marcos
Human Services Advisory Board (HSAB)

Tuesday, March 26, 2019

Human Resources Training Room
630 East Hopkins St. 5:30 p.m.

Special Meeting – Minutes

I. Called to order

Time: 5:30 pm

II. Roll Call – Members Present: Devin Barrett, Mary Earls, Tom Rhodes, David Ross,

Eleanor Owen-Oshan, Megan Campbell, JoAnn Parsons

Absent Members: None

Staff Liaison: Christina Tureaud, Accounting Associate

III. Approval of Minutes

Chairman Tom Rhodes requested a review of the March 12, 2019 meeting minutes; Mary Earls moved to approve, Devin Barrett second the motion and all present were in favor.

IV. 30 Minute Citizen Comment Period

None.

V. Discuss Questions for Site Visits

David Ross visited with Charlotte Evans to discuss Hands of Hope. This program is asking for \$8,000 to help with childcare and transportation expenses, all teaching is strictly volunteer basis. This is a ten-week class, in which the program targets women that are undereducated and disadvantaged, and teach them employment and life skills to move them towards self-sufficiency. The board had some concerns regarding the religious based aspect of the program and not having a long-term follow-up on the students. JoAnn Parsons had to abstain from this discussion since she teaches a class at Hands of Hope.

Mary Earls met with Carla Merritt to discuss the programs of Cenikor Foundation. They are asking for \$45,000 for the three programs; Adult Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP), Prevention Programs, and Adolescent Treatment-Youth Recovery Community. These programs offer education, prevention, and intervention services related to substance abuse within the community and in the public/private schools. Mary stated that the biggest need and drug problems they are facing are in the schools. She stated they are asking for an increase in funding this year to attract and recruit better staff.

Next, Megan visited Any Baby Can-Early Child Intervention program which is a statewide program within the Texas Health and Human Services Commission. This agency provides therapy, support, and education to parents and their children from birth to 36 month of age who have a medical condition or a developmental delay. Megan stated that they did apply through United Way for a grant of \$10,500 which they were awarded. They are asking for \$30,000 that will cover partial salaries.

Eleanor met with Gene Martin at the Housing Authority. Their program, Resident Services, provides case management and service coordination to low-income families and elderly/disabled residents at three housing sites in San Marcos: Allen Wood Homes, Springtown Villa, and the CM Allen Homes. They are requesting \$28,500 to provide partial salary for a Senior Service Coordinator. This position is crucial because it provides support to the residents and coordinates various components to the program.

Then, Devin met with Julie Hollar with the Youth Services Bureau. They are asking for \$22,000 for their program Teen Network/ACTIVE Community Teens. This program offers after-school and summer programs to youth ages 11-17 and provides positive role models as mentors. Funds requested will be used for salaries for a Program Director, Program Assistant and a Summer staff position.

VI. Questions and Answer Session with Press and Public

None.

VII. Adjournment

Time: 6:55 P.M.

There being no additional business all members were in favor of adjourning.

The minutes for the March 26, 2019 meeting of City of San Marcos, TX; Human Services Advisor Board are respectfully submitted on April 02, 2019 by:

Christina Tureaud, Staff Liaison

Tom Rhodes, Chair

Approved By: