



Memo To: Geraldine Knatz, Ph.D, General Manager, Port of Los Angeles  
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Date: April 25, 2013  
Re: Port Community Mitigation Trust Fund - HCBF Health Care Grant Program, Round 2

**INTRODUCTION**

In accordance with the Operating Agreement of the TraPac Memorandum of Understanding (“Operating Agreement”), Harbor Community Benefit Foundation (“HCBF”) hereby submits a request to approve the funding for grant awards to local clinics and other health service providers, for projects aimed at addressing health impacts from air pollution stemming from port operations. Approval will allow HCBF to fund a **second round of grants**, for the Health Care Grant Program contemplated in the TraPac MOU, Project C of Exhibit A.

*“Provide funds to local clinics, other health service providers, and other organizations aimed at addressing health impacts from air pollution stemming from port operations.”*

**REQUEST**

Harbor Community Benefit Foundation (HCBF) hereby requests the Board of Harbor Commissioners (BOHC) to 1) receive, consider and vote on the HCBF Board approved actions to fund Round 2 of the HCBF Health Care Grant Program; and 2) direct the California Community Foundation to release \$450,000 from the Port Community Mitigation Trust Fund (“PCMTF”), in a single disbursement:

Tzu Chi Foundation	\$17,500
The Children’s Clinic (TCC)	\$101,000
Long Beach Alliance for Children with Asthma (LBACA)	\$96,500
Wilmington Health Center (WHC)	\$75,000
Harbor Community Clinic	\$75,000
<u>Boys &amp; Girls Club of LA Harbor</u>	<u>\$85,000</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$450,000</b>

**HCBF BOARD ACTIONS:**

On February 15, 2013 the HCBF Board of Directors, by majority vote:

- (1) **Approved**, in substantial form, the **Health Care Grant Agreement** with Exhibits A, B, and C, and authorized the HCBF Executive Director to finalize and execute;
- (2) **Approved a total of \$450,000** in grant funding from the HCBF Health Care Grant Program, Round 2, for **priority program area services** provided by each of the following grantees:
  - a) Wilmington Health Center (WHC) - \$75,000 for education, outreach, diagnosis and treatment;
  - b) Tzu Chi Community Clinic of Wilmington (Tzu Chi) - \$17,500 for education and outreach;
  - c) The Children’s Clinic (TCC) - \$101,000 for education, outreach, diagnosis and treatment;
  - d) Long Beach Alliance for Children with Asthma (LBACA) - \$96,500 for education, outreach, and medical supplies;
  - e) Harbor Community Clinic (HCC) - \$75,000 for education, outreach, diagnosis, treatment, and medical supplies; and
  - f) Boys and Girls Club of Los Angeles Harbor (BGCLAH) - \$85,000 for education, outreach, and access to diagnosis and treatment, working in partnership with the Harbor Community Clinic; and
- (3) **Authorized the HCBF Executive Director to request the BOHC’s approval to transfer funds from the Port Community Mitigation Trust Fund (PCMTF) to the Harbor Community Benefit Foundation (HCBF) for the Health Care Grant Program Round 2, in the amount \$450,000.**

## **DISCUSSION:**

HCBF's Health Care Grant Program is designed to benefit the underserved residents of San Pedro and Wilmington. Currently, the projects funded under this popular program offer improved access to health care, education, outreach, diagnosis, and treatment. Mitigation projects under this program are consistent with the TraPac MOU and the Tidelands Trust, as the program addresses the impacts of Port and Port-related operations, including, but not limited to air pollution.

The impacts of Port and Port-related air pollution on health are well documented. For example, the California Air Resources Board's Emission Reduction Plan for Ports and Goods Movement in California<sup>1</sup>, and the U.S. EPA advisory council document Reducing Air Emissions Associated With Goods Movement: Working Towards Environmental Justice<sup>2</sup> and scientific studies cited therein describe these health impacts. Diesel emissions and other Port- and goods-movement-related air pollution have been linked to cancer as well as to non-cancer risks such as asthma and other cardiopulmonary diseases. In Round 2, each of the six mitigation projects for which the HCBF seeks BOHC approval will mitigate these impacts by funding education, health care services, supplies, or other assets to treat or reduce asthma and other cardiopulmonary diseases in Wilmington and San Pedro.

## **HCBF HEALTH CARE GRANT PROGRAM – HISTORY:**

HCBF launched its Health Care Grant Program in November 2011. Qualified funding applications were required to address one or more of the following three program areas: 1) Diagnosis and Treatment, 2) Medical Supplies and Pharmaceuticals, and 3) Education, Outreach and Access.

In the first round, HCBF received only seven applications, requesting a total of \$1.2 million; four (4) qualified applicants were awarded a total of \$350,000 in grants for programs **servicing the residents of Wilmington**.

**Measured Results from Round 1 were released on April 24.** Grantees are required to convene together with HCBF staff quarterly (presently at Tzu Chi), and, are required to provide semi-annual written reports to demonstrate the impact of each program. Grantees are strongly encouraged to collaborate with community partners. The first set of reports, submitted on March 30, revealed better than expected results. Most significant was the celebrated opening of a respiratory clinic at the Wilmington Health Center (Ribbon Cutting with Congresswoman Janice Hahn and Mike Christensen on March 27, 2013) followed by HCBF's inaugural Wilmington Health Fair, attended by nearly 400 people! Highlights from the first six months are attached – copies of the full reports are available upon request. (**Transmittal 1**).

## **ROUND 2 - ELIGIBILITY:**

In the **second round**, HCBF **expanded the program** to serve the communities of Wilmington *and* San Pedro. Proposals submitted were required to address one or more of the following priorities:

1. Diagnosis/Treatment;
2. Medical Supplies & Pharmaceuticals; and/or
3. Education/Outreach/Access.

Eligible applicants included: local clinics, health service providers, community-based organizations, nonprofit 501(c)3, and institutions for higher learning based in or serving the Wilmington and/or San Pedro communities.

## **EVALUATION:**

By the November 30, 2012 deadline HCBF received twenty-one (21) applications for grant funding; requests ranged from \$17,500 to \$603,000, for a total of over \$3.1 Million. Staff evaluated each grant application based on a set of qualitative and quantitative criteria outlined in a Grant Proposal Evaluation Form (**Transmittal 2**). The quantitative included: completeness and responsiveness, project description and goal, addressing demonstrated needs, partnerships, project uniqueness, potential for matched funds, budget and financial feasibility, programmatic sustainability and capability, timeline, and project evaluation and measurement.

HCBF staff issued a recommendation for funding to an ad-hoc Committee on Health Care Grant Programs, appointed by the Board. The ad-hoc committee, comprised of Dr. Silvia Prieto, Michele Prichard, and Kathleen

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<sup>1</sup> ([http://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/gmerp/plan/final\\_plan.pdf](http://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/gmerp/plan/final_plan.pdf);  
[http://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/gmerp/plan/appendix\\_a.pdf](http://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/gmerp/plan/appendix_a.pdf) (e.g., pp. 69-77))

<sup>2</sup> (<http://www.epa.gov/compliance/ej/resources/publications/nejac/2009-goods-movement.pdf>)

Woodfield, met in January and February to consider and evaluate the proposals. Both Staff and the ad-hoc committee then conducted site visits to potential grantees. On February 6, 2013, Staff and the ad-hoc committee agreed on a recommendation to fund six (6) proposals, intended to provide comprehensive, wraparound healthcare services for the communities of San Pedro and Wilmington.

**Qualified applicants not chosen in this funding round will be eligible to apply for subsequent funding.**

A Grantee executed agreement, including a program summary (Exhibit A) and project budget (Exhibit B) for each one-year grant can be found in **Transmittal 3**, highlighted below:

- a) **Wilmington Health Center (WHC): \$75,000** for education, outreach, diagnosis and treatment, and to conduct a community needs assessment, provide outreach, education, case management, and make referrals for patients with chronic respiratory illnesses;
- b) **Tzu Chi Community Clinic of Wilmington (Tzu Chi): \$17,500** for education and outreach and to provide workshops, a wellness program, guided group exercise classes, and a community health fair in Wilmington;
- c) **The Children’s Clinic (TCC): \$101,000** for education, outreach, diagnosis and treatment and to continue and expand the provision of medical services and a chronic care management program to benefit children in Wilmington and San Pedro;
- d) **Long Beach Alliance for Children with Asthma (LBACA): \$96,500** for education, outreach, and medical supplies and to continue providing in-home education and asthma management services to families and children in San Pedro and Wilmington through its Community Health Worker Program;
- e) **Harbor Community Clinic (HCC): \$75,000** for education, outreach, diagnosis, treatment, and medical supplies at an asthma clinic located in San Pedro; and
- f) **Boys and Girls Club of Los Angeles Harbor (BGCLAH): \$85,000** for education, outreach, and access to diagnosis and treatment. The request includes the unique opportunity to provide a long lasting health benefit to the greater community through the replacement of a diesel fuel bus with two environmentally friendly CNG buses, in support of the Club's "Bridging the Gap to a Healthy Lifestyle" initiative. Most important, the buses provide underserved youth *direct access*, from 23 sites in Wilmington and San Pedro, to health education, and medical services through a partnership with Harbor Community Clinic. And, the buses offer a direct benefit for the children *riding* on the buses through improved air quality *inside the bus*, as well as the secondary benefit of *clean emissions* enjoyed by the communities on the route of travel

Proposal budgets include significant matching funds as summarized below:

<b>Health Care Grant - Budget Summary</b>			
<b>Grantee</b>	<b>HCBF Grant</b>	<b>Matching Funds Rounded</b>	<b>Total Project rounded</b>
1. Wilmington Health Center (WHC)	75,000	100,000	175,000
2. Tzu Chi Foundation	17,500	13,000	30,500
3. The Children’s Clinic	101,000	8,000	109,000
4. LB Alliance for Children with Asthma	96,500	626,000	722,500
5. Harbor Community Clinic (HCC)	75,000	33,000	108,000
6. Boys & Girls Club of LA Harbor	85,000	204,000	289,000
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$450,000</b>	<b>\$984,000</b>	<b>\$1,434,000</b>

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Section 5.B.iii of the Operating Agreement gives specific guidelines as to how money can be withdrawn from the PCMTF. A single transfer of funds from the PCMTF to HCBF for this project will be requested of the BOHC. Periodic disbursements will be made from HCBF to the program recipients, over the course of twelve months, based on achieved milestones reflected in the grant agreements.

The anticipated timing of disbursements, based on the achievement of reporting milestones, is as follows:

**Health Care Grant Program, Round 2: Anticipated Disbursements**

Organization	Disbursement 1	Disbursement 2	Disbursement 3	Total
A. WHC	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$75,000
B. Tzu Chi	\$17,500			\$17,500
C. TCC	\$34,000	\$34,000	\$33,000	\$101,000
D. LBACA	\$32,000	\$32,000	\$32,500	\$96,500
E. HCC	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$75,000
F. BGCLAH	\$85,000			\$85,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$218,500</b>	<b>\$116,000</b>	<b>\$115,500</b>	<b>\$450,000</b>

**COMMUNITY IMPACT AND ECONOMIC BENEFITS:**

Approval supports 18 workers (full and part-time positions), for a total of 5.5 full time equivalent (FTE) jobs based in San Pedro and Wilmington (See Transmittal 4).

**PCMTF STATUS REPORT - PREVIOUSLY APPROVED PROJECTS AND FUND BALANCE:**

2012: Projects and Programs:

Off Port Impact Land Use Study	\$300,000	
Noise Assessment, Phase I of Project A	185,000	
HCBF Health Care Grants (Round 1)	<u>350,000</u>	
Subtotal Projects in 2012	\$835,000	
<b>Trust Fund Balance as of December 31, 2012:</b>		<b>\$8,608,637</b>

2013: HCBF Administrative Budget Funded in March:	<u>(354,200)</u>	
Subtotal Fund Balance as of March 30		\$8,254,437
HCBF Health Care Grants Round 2 (this request)	<u>(450,000)</u>	
Net Uncommitted Fund Balance		<b>\$7,804,437</b>
<i>Excludes Trustee Fees, Loss/Gains after December 31, 2012</i>		

**TRANSMITTALS:**

1. Health Care Grants Round 1. Six-Month Progress Report - Highlights
2. Sample Applicant Evaluation Form
3. Grantee Executed Agreements with Exhibits A (Scope of Services), B (Budget) and C (Six-Month Grantee Progress Report Form) for:
  - a. Wilmington Health Center
  - b. Tzu Chi
  - c. The Children's Clinic
  - d. Long Beach Alliance for Children with Asthma
  - e. Harbor Community Center
  - f. Boys and Girls Club LA Harbor
4. Health Care Grants – Round 2. Economic Impact – FTE Job Count