



Mid-America Regional Council Community Services Corporation

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October 24, 2023

**Meeting begins immediately following
the MARC Budget & Personnel Committee meeting**

In-person attendees in MARC's Heartland Room with a remote option via Zoom.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. VOTE: Approve Minutes of the September 26, 2023, Meeting
3. VOTE: Accept a grant award from the Marion and Henry Bloch Family Foundation in the amount of \$750,000 to support a public sector workforce development initiative.
4. Other Business
5. Adjourn



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MEETING SUMMARY September 26, 2023 Immediately following the Budget & Personnel Meeting

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Commissioner Janeé Hanzlick, Johnson County, KS - Community Services Corporation Chair
Mayor Damien Boley, Smithville, MO
Commissioner Becky Fast, Johnson, County, KS
Commissioner Scott Fricker, Platte County, MO
Commissioner Billy Gaines, Ray County, MO
Councilmember Holly Grummert, Overland Park, KS
Mayor Pro Tem Dan Hobart, Independence, MO
Auditor Victor Hurlbert, Clay County, MO
Mayor Pro Tem Beto Lopez, Lee's Summit, MO
Commissioner Jerry Nolte, Clay County, MO
Commissioner Rob Roberts, Miami County, KS
Commissioner Doug Smith, Leavenworth County, KS

STAFF PRESENT

David Warm, Executive Director
McKenzie Neds, Executive Assistant
Carol Gonzales, Director of Finance and Administration
Lauren Palmer, Director of Local Government Services
Ron Achelpohl, Director of Transportation and Environment
Marlene Nagel, Director of Community Development
Kristi Bohling-DaMetz, Director of Aging and Adult Services
Frank Lenk, Director of Research Services
Andrew Molloy, Finance Director
Katie Killen, Housing Program Manager
Donna Martin, Public Health Senior Planner
Kyle Matchell, Early Learning Program Manager
Eric Winebrenner, Public Safety Program Director
Lukas Parrish, Intern

OTHERS

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Janeé Hanzlick called the MARC Community Services Corporation Board of Directors meeting to order at 11:44 am.

Due to the meeting being conducted remotely and in-person, Commissioner Hanzlick provided instructions for participation. She reported that staff would present on all the agenda items, provide an opportunity for comments and questions after each item, and ask for approval of all agenda items with one vote at the end of the meeting. Members would have an opportunity to abstain or object to any items necessary during the final vote.



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VOTE: Approve Minutes of the August 22, 2023 Meeting

REPORT: Review of 2022 Mid-America Regional Council Community Services Corporation Internal Revenue Service Form 990: Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax

Andrew Malloy, Finance Director, gave highlights of the Form 990 and directed the board to the MARC [website](#) to view it in detail. If any board members have questions, they can reach out to Andrew or Carol Gonzales regarding the Form 990.

VOTE: Authorize an application to the Health Forward Foundation for \$370,000 to support the KC Regional Community Health Worker Collaborative

VOTE: Authorize an application for Jackson County, Missouri American Rescue Plan Act funding for Eastern Jackson County Mental Health Outreach for People Experiencing Homelessness

Mayor Damien Boley motioned to approve and Mayor Pro Tem Dan Hobart seconded. The motioned passes.

Other Business

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:48 am.



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October 2023

Item No. 3

Effective Local Government

ISSUE:

VOTE: Accept a grant award from the Marion and Henry Bloch Family Foundation in the amount of \$750,000 to support a public sector workforce development initiative.

BACKGROUND:

Staff submitted a proposal to the Bloch Family Foundation for funding to sustain and expand work to strengthen a highly trained and effective public sector workforce throughout the region. The Foundation awarded MARC a \$750,000 grant for a 27-month project to promote high-demand careers in public service and create more opportunities for disadvantaged workers. The key deliverables are as follows:

- 1. Continue to support the Government-2-University (G2U) initiative to convene government and higher education partners to strengthen the public sector talent pipeline.
2. Advance the work of the G2U Talent Connections Toolkit that was released on September 28, 2023.
3. Build a network of workforce development programs to expand training programs to support high-demand government needs.
4. Build a coalition of public sector hiring managers to guide the project and specifically design processes and procedures to accelerate hiring newly skills workers.
5. Use performance measures to demonstrate value to partners and develop a business model to sustain the work in year three and beyond.

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

The grant will primarily support staff to execute the work plan. A portion of funding is reserved for contractual partnerships with non-profit workforce development programs to assist with any costs related to expanding training to meet government needs. MARC will provide an in-kind match of \$73,806.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include REVENUES (Amount \$750,000, Source Bloch Family Foundation) and PROJECTED EXPENSES (Personnel \$616,144, Contractual \$109,607, Pass-Through, Other \$24,250).

COMMITTEE ACTION:

The Budget & Personnel Committee (B&P) and MARC Board of Directors approved this award on September 26, 2023. Staff received the grant agreement for execution following the September meeting and realized the funds will be distributed to the Community Services Corporation (CSC). Retroactive action is requested by CSC to affirm the B&P's recommendation to accept these funds.



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RELATED JURISDICTIONS:

The Bloch Family Foundation supports projects that benefit Jackson, Clay, and Platte counties in Missouri and Wyandotte and Johnson counties in Kansas, though elements of this work will have a broader regional impact.

EXHIBITS:

None

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Community Services Corporation to accept a grant award from the Marion and Henry Bloch Family Foundation in the amount of \$750,000 to support a public sector workforce development initiative.

STAFF CONTACT:

Lauren Palmer