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Serving children and families since 1969

The Henry Beauchamp Community Center has made significant programmatic adjustments to provide quality and relevant services to our target communities in response to COVID-19. Since March 2020, we have planned and implemented comprehensive emergency services, including nutrition, enrichment, and recreational activities, according to federal, state, OIC, and grantor guidance. Emergency resources have been distributed to all youth enrolled in our programs, as well as their siblings, who are pre-kindergarten through high school students who may not be regular participants. To date, we have served over 200 youth. Additionally, we have also been able to provide supplementary services to 50 seniors. We primarily utilize a drive-up system to distribute resources and equipment; however, we deliver resources and equipment on a case by case basis.

Since Yakima is a primary county affected by the virus and is not in Phase 3 of the Governor's Reopening Plan, we do not anticipate providing our traditional programs. In light of this reality, we geared up to enhance and continue our comprehensive emergency services through the HBCC 2.0 Program. We have received support from various community agencies (flyer included). We have provided services to youth in their homes comparable to our on-site summer day camp.

Emergency Service 1 - Nutritional Support: Since youth will not be on-site, summer meals will be significantly impacted. The greatest concern is the children not being fed, so we have partnered with providers in the community to ensure participants are eating nutritious meals. In past years, each summer, youth have been able to receive breakfast, lunch, provided by the Yakima School District and snacks are provided by community donations. The City of Yakima and HBCC Summer Youth Park Programs are the largest community sites that YSD provides in the summer months. Our average distribution in one week was over 3,000 meals. The summer meal program with the Yakima School District at HBCC started on June 24th and expected to at least operate through August 7th. We will continue to provide supplemental food resources until the first day of learning for the Yakima School District. We are in conversations regarding continuing to be a distribution site. We received authorization from OSPI during the summer months, and so was a process to be the only community site with the four schools operating. We continue to operate Cora's Food Pantry on Mondays at 12:30pm. The food pantry is open to everyone and registration is not required. We also provide supplemental snacks and supplies to seniors every other Friday with their senior meals.

Emergency Service 2 - Education and Career Enrichment - For the academic component, we utilized the summer bridge book system. The system is developed based on a student's grade-level, with consideration given to learning deficiencies. Additionally, student workbooks are assembled by program staff and include Writing, Math

Intervention, STEM, and Literacy. We provided books for youth to keep so that they may participate in the Yakima Valley Regional Library's "Let's Read Program." Regarding the 100 Jobs for 100 Kids Program, since the youth will be home, staff made calls to youth and provided employment education.

Emergency Service 3 - Recreation Enrichment - Programming would not be complete without recreational activities. We provided tangible items to each home to include, but not limited to, playground balls, footballs, basketballs, soccer balls, jump ropes, sidewalk chalk, water toys, hula hoops, clay, and Arts and Crafts activities, journals, schedules, etc. We have secured funding to purchase items not included in CDBG Funding and continue to research.

The HBCC 2.0 has taken a significant amount of staff time and coordination to ensure effective and equitable service delivery. I provided our plan to the HBCC Advisory Board during the April Quarterly Advisory Board Meeting and follow-up with a program update in the July 2020 Advisory Board Meeting. Data has been collected on the number of participants served, the items dispersed, and the activities conducted. I hope this provides the summary and clarification of our plan to roll out services noted in our contract.

We will work to the best of our ability to serve others within our capacity. Our goal is to continue to set in place intervention and prevention measures so our participants can remain safe and have their basic needs met. There is so much unknown, so we continue our pursuit for support in helping with our efforts. We started our emergency support services in March, and we have been able to continue our efforts through help from our friends and partners. Finally, we received a generous donation of masks from the Yakima Health Department to distribute to all our participants and families to help slow the spread of COVID-19. If you have further questions, please just let me know.

Thank,



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