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CHAIRMAN STEELE: How is everyone doing today? I am feeling good. Today is a good day.

>>: Is it raining?

CHAIRMAN STEELE: It was for a second. I want to call the meeting to order. Can we get the disclosures?

>>: We will have the Spanish interpreter come first.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Fantastic.

>>: [FOREIGN LANGUAGE].

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CHAIRMAN STEELE: Thank you very much. Can we please take the roll?

MEMBER ARMSTEAD: Present.

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MEMBER CARBAJAL: Alternate.

MEMBER CASTILLO: Present.

MEMBER CYRUS-FRANKLIN: Present.

MEMBER EARLEY: Present.

MEMBER FERRER: Present.

MEMBER GARCIA: Present.

MEMBER LOBIANCO: Present.

MEMBER SCHOONOVER: Present.

MEMBER SCORZA: Present.

MEMBER SOTO: Present. Alternate.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Present.

>>: Stevens. Present.

>> Williams. Alternate present. 17 present. Back to you.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Can we bring up the community agreements? Member Lewis is on her way. Member Crunk won't be here today. Let us read these together. Remain open minded.

>>: Be mindful of power dynamics as well as of the historical disenfranchisement.

>>: Be mindful of the diverse audience. Speak with clarity.

>>: Be collaborative.

>>: Assume best intentions.

>>: Challenge the idea and not the person.

>>: Remember why we are here. To center the black, brown, and Indigenous communities that have been most impacted by the carceral system.

>>: Defer to community.

>>: Transparency.

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>>: Be intentional about allowing space for additional voices to be uplifted.

>>: Be an active participant.

>>: Lets equity lead the way.

>>: Make spaces for youth voices.

>>: As much as possible allow community members to finish their sentence through thought.

Allow community members to finish their sentence thought during public comment.

>>: Review community agreements before every meeting.

>>: Begin the advisory meetings with a land acknowledgment statement respecting the people of the land we know call LA county.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: We want to start this by recognizing the land we reside. The original caretakers that thrive among us. [FOREIGN LANGUAGE]. We lift you up. We continue the legacy. Next is the minutes. Minutes for our last meeting. A motion for approval.

>>: I will second.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Motion has been made and seconded. Any thoughts? Ideas?

>>: Can you make a correction to add Member Soto. Anyone else? Member Soto was in attendance. Right next to my name. Move to public comment.

>>: How much time?

CHAIRMAN STEELE: One minute.

>>: This commences the public comment period. Each comment is limited to a minute. Use the raise hand feature now. We will call on you in the order the hand was raised. I will lower your hand once you have completed making your comment. Please dial star six to unmute yourself. When accessing Zoom, scroll to reactions.

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CHAIRMAN STEELE: Let us move for the vote.

>>: Aye.

MEMBER CASTILLO: Aye.

MEMBER CYRUS-FRANKLIN: Aye.

MEMBER EARLEY: Aye.

>>: Aye.

>>: Aye.

>>: Aye.

>>: Aye.

>>: Aye.

>>: Aye.

>>: Aye.

MEMBER SCORZA: Aye.

>>: Aye.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Aye.

>>: We have 16 yes.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: I wanted to add there is a correction. Item 4. There was a vote on accepting the advisory committee's suggestions on that. I will have to go back. Thank you for pointing that out. I want to come back to this item to add the correction to the minutes before 6-2023.

>>: I want to make a motion to approve the minutes with a correction for Item 4. To state that we did have a vote.

>>: I second.

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CHAIRMAN STEELE: Moved and seconded. We will move to the vote on this one. The motion on the floor.

>>: Aye.

MEMBER CASTILLO: Aye.

MEMBER CYRUS-FRANKLIN: Aye.

MEMBER EARLEY: Aye.

>>: Aye.

>>: Aye.

MEMBER LEWIS: Aye.

MEMBER LOBIANCO: Aye.

>>: Aye.

MEMBER SCORZA: Aye.

>>: Aye.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Aye.

>>: Aye.

>>: Aye.

>>: Aye.

>>: Six yes. 0 no.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: I will strike out Item 4 off the agenda. We can focus in on the decisions on the recommendations for this year's funding for year three. This is something on going in a conversation. I have been listening to you all about getting as much feedback as we can to add that to our decision making.

We will make sure to bring the foundation back to the conversation after we finish our process. Sound good. Item 5. I want people to refer to advisory committee concepts. Second set of

spread sheets. These are the, last week we asked ad hoc to look at items brought to our attention in this space.

12 different items that were not 33 percent that we took more consideration on. I want to thank all the members. We didn't have the ability to have everyone in one space. We ended up having three different meetings. They were a part of a process to narrow this down. We looked at all 12 and used the framework as a basis on what made sense and what didn't.

I was in all the meetings. Identify which items we wanted to move forward. How much made sense. Coming up with the decision on how to fit them into the ones we approved. Member Lobianco took a deep dive to think through ones that make sense to come together, how to reframe some of the language.

One step at a time. I will go through the updates first. Taking a look at this document is like Xmas. Green and red. They are in order. I will go through the red first. Number 12. When we talked about this, we got a chance to look at year 2s dollars to see how much we put towards these efforts.

We had about \$12 million that we put toward these types of gang violence and violence prevention work. This included guns, movement towards antiviolenence. Because we supported it last year to that amount, which is like 12 million a year for the next three years, we decided we don't need to have this one move forward as well.

The next one was project fatherhood. Item 49 ton next page. Page 2. Taking a look at this particular item with the support that we have from year one by way of the bloom alliance work.

Also because of the specificity of this item, we wanted to lift it up in the narrative of something the county should be supporting. The idea of trying to figure out if we can fit this item in with the rest CHL we decided to go in the other direction.

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Moving onto Item 70. Page 4. The feeding the children. Identified with. A lot of the departments support this level of programming too. We decided not to move forward. Same thing for nutrition. Maternity health.

Make sure underserved areas get proper nutrition. Same deal. Resources that are allocated towards that. Supporting this important issue. I think making sure that people are knowledgeable of how to get access to these things. Lower the barriers is something we want to lift up but not something we want to put dollars towards.

The last one is 142 on page 5. Ensuring that the use of already tools across all programs is developed. We had a good discussion about this. It went on a few days. Ewe went back. Asked a few questions. I think there is an update.

>>: We love partnering with our brother. What we are going to do is using our existing J cod funding. If you develop what information you want. We will work with our own funding to collect that information and create a dashboard. The sooner you get the list, the sooner.

>>: We will make sure you get the bill.

MEMBER LEWIS: Will you take the administrator dollars? Can you recommend a minimum amount?

>>: I want to see what the task is. We will go from there. Thank you.

>>: I want to compliment what is happening here right now to begin with. I want to thank you for the great work you do. Still uplift needs. At least looking into the needs for its success. We want to know as community members when you have needs beyond this work. I mean that.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: I concur after seeing the report in the amount of work that has gone into that. I was impressed with the items we have available to the community. Seeing how detailed that work was, I can see you are continuing to refine your tools.

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>>: In addition to this, think about who we want it from. What that looks like. Articulating that and understanding what the burden may look like. Any tool to help us develop. That it is not to honor us.

MEMBER LEWIS: Do we need to spell that out?

>>: Just make it clear that our team knows.

MEMBER LEWIS: We put that here. The description of what we hope it pays for. I think we should add it here. We have that one million. I think we should do the same.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: In the report.

MEMBER LEWIS: It is a part of the spending plan. We don't have a choice. It should be out of here. We want to make sure some of the dollars go to enhancing.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Those are the items we didn't move forward. For the items we did, back to page 1, there was a good conversation about the audit proofing and community-based organizations. I think Member Scorza raised some important points on this matter.

How we can be sure to make sure organizations have the skill set. We wanted to move forward with that. Item 14. Page 2 we changed the language. This is Item 14. [Reading]. Food goods made from those agriculture products. They will create jobs for youth and can be an alternative to incarceration. This is a language proposed with this.

We did move forward with this opportunity. \$2.5 million. You can find the updated language on page 20. We decided to move forward. It did fit within the framework of direct community investment. Alternatives incarceration. High risk of system involved.

>>: Back to Item 14. Just to point out, for year two there were only two food projects. I think Member Soto conveyed that people are hungry now. Food is still a big issue.

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Year two for that project to be looked at. Item 14. The workforce component. How do we spark these projects and have them go through the pipeline sooner and not see this in the next year?

CHAIRMAN STEELE: We decided to broaden it. There are organizations doing this work. They have youth working there in pathway. We wanted to broaden the scope to tap in to be able to support their organization. Have the resources necessary to grow it. The work has been growing over time. There hasn't a lot of resources. We wanted to tap back into it.

>>: They did public a report. This was eight million dollars. To align with county funding as well. For it to be a system that provides local food instead of one time food production. This is different. This is creating jobs.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: If you look at page 22 in the first set, that language change spoke to what you are saying. More than just produce related products. Produce itself.

>>: To his point, one of the things I brought up, thinking about allocating these funds. It would behoove us to give it to a department that does that work. The money goes further. They are already working within those communities to fill those gaps.

>>: There will be the creation of the department of food equity. Do some major leveraging. We have been working with others to map equity needs across the county. The reason why I brought it up, I know that supported these types of things in the past. It may make sense to align these resources. We decided to work forward with Item 61. Going through the approved pieces. We didn't have direct programming.

This particular mentorship program does support that avenue. There is the academy. Do you want to talk about this item?

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>>: To provide vocational training to those prerelease that follows them as they are post release with the same organization. It is allowing with this funding to be intentional to support people upon relief.

We have a great discussion with some of the committee members that had lived experience in speaking to the challenges. I feel like this is the spirit.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: This is something that if done the right way, and because it is county dollars, it probably would go toward county, it could be something that state dollars could be used towards state incarceration. A model for something that can happen across the state.

>>: The department of economic opportunity does have a program with the century regional detention facility. We work to support job readiness. We are funding that right now. We have a bit of an infrastructure.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: One of the parts of the conversation, there may be job readiness. A lot of the story telling. They set an expectation. When you go, there is nothing on the other side. This is to have support on both sides of the table.

It could be something that could help to support and reframe it in a different way.

>>: For 65 and 136 the funding amounts are highlighted in blue. They were adjusted. 136 was like 125,000. We moved it up.

MEMBER LEWIS: For some of these we expanded it to the broader geographies. I want to note that we need to go through this once the final decision is made. I believe the listening session is next week. We need to go through it. I see a lot of things that don't match up.

>>: It is interesting. I listen, I read. I observe. Let me compliment the Native American concepts and the push. Totally sold. Let us support the LGBTQ population.

Let us do this for immigrants. It is not mentioned enough around the disparities. Black people in LA county. We need to be reminded that we are overrepresented in all the dark spaces.

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Unhoused. Criminal justice. Child welfare. Foster care. I was reading where black folks are getting high and dying. We have Artie. I want to make certain that he gets data around some black people. I am asking to be thoughtful about what we are funding. And ensure we are uplifting the disparities. It is important. We need to do it before our town hall.

MEMBER LEWIS: Artie was born from the black people experiencing homelessness. It matters. That is where it came from.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: We will grow even how we got here in the first place. How do we move on that? Give me a second to work through where we are. The last items we moved are on page 6. Shout out to Chavez and Member Williams for those contributions. Helping to make sure the California project. UAI. Fantastic work. It was four different items we made into two. Item 31 and 68. Focusing on the center aspect of doing that.

Not just for day care but for support to family resources. American Indian day care and family resource center. It follows and promotes values. This will be for working class families. It would offer educational services, job training, and serve as a hub for community events. It would work in partnership with local organizations.

We combine those together and have it at four million dollars. The next was organization funding. Projects [FOREIGN LANGUAGE]. This is 66 and 128. Page 22 of the document. Connecting them to resources. Help raise financial awareness. Programs can address rental support.

Power building efforts can be used. [Reading]. We made four into two. This is supported by \$2.5 million. Page 6 of the document, \$13,903,698. Page 6 it was originally over 23 million. They had to answer how to fit it into the 96 million approved. Any other questions about this? The to her spread sheet. Page 26. Halloween. Halloween. In orange is what was approved last week.

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The ad hoc committee was taking a look at things we previously funded. Things with a significant amount of funding. Page 14. Item 147. Reduction hub. Proposed to strike that. \$12,250,18. Resources are going in that direction. Remove the 12 million. Now we have [Reading]. If you take out the Skid Row dollars. Back to 83 million. If you add the 13, we are now at \$98,260,514.

MEMBER LEWIS: Process questions. Are we intended to create the spending plan for hundred million but have a line at 88 million. Should the advocacy not move the needle? What goes to tier two.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: We talked about this. We are in this idea of hundred million dollars worth of items. Definitely do these.

MEMBER LEWIS: How much was it?

CHAIRMAN STEELE: 6.5. The thinking was to get us to 88 million and some change. Item 3168. American Indian day care center plus resource center.

MEMBER LEWIS: If we move it, we have \$800,088. That takes you to that number.

>>: 88.4. I will find a letter.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: One step at a time. Taking a look at where we are. Page 22. If we take out the Skid Row item and tad items that were lifted up from last week that have moved forward, it takes us to 98 million total. \$88,304,000. Okay. Thank you. Are you all okay with taking out the Skid Row item off the approved list from last week? First question.

>>: I know that this item was discussed expensively. Given that there are a lot of people participating this these meetings, I did want to highlight. There are significant funding restrictions. The work more envisioned for the Skid Row reduction hub was between health services and other departments. One envisioned to be an integrated site a population that is at very high risk for overdose and other consequences. I wanted to communicate that while there is funding going

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towards it, this is something that other funding is not going to be contributing to. When we have thought about how to expand, funds like CFCI are one of the primary targets because of flexibility.

Across the county, funds like CF CI, I one of the primary targets, because of flexibility.

Because of alignment with some of the low barrier services that we want to provide to the highly impacted population. So yeah, I would be interested to hear your thoughts on removing this. I would clearly support keeping it however I recognize there has been discussion of this already.

>> Perhaps we could look at what services are already available in skidrow. Often times I am challenged by harm reduction, because of my own lived experience. The lack today of the even the acknowledgment of the 12 step programs, that we know exist that are free. In addition to that the lack of treatment facilities beds, for folks to actually have a safe healthy space and place to go. We will not even talk about those who have mental health challenges, and on psychotropic medication and taking street drugs. So for me, I know we have that sobering center downtown on skid Row, I think it would be helpful for us to understand what resources are readily available there?

I want to remind you guys I just recently had an experience, in reference to harm reduction. And I am curious to know why paraphernalia, is associated with that? Which could be very triggering, I have been sober for a very long time. So when I sorry, I gasped. So when we talk about harm reduction, for me in funding this, we need to be clear about what specifically are we funding?

If we are funding paraphernalia, if that is including in it, I was screen. At these dollars going in that direction. I also think it is something we all should be aware of and research ourselves.

>> Sure, go ahead.

>> I just want to talk about what we talked about right now I totally agree with you. I am a against the harm reduction as well I am in recovery I work a 12 step program. I know it's not one-size-fits-all it's not. Being addicted for 19 years , coming up of that lifestyle, and trying

to get myself clean and stay the course. I believe what we are doing here, at what we are trying to implement with youth development, with jobs programs.

All of these different things, I feel like we are onto something. We are onto something where we are getting back, I feel like there is a solution up there. There are so many great minds here that one day, we might come up with it and help our people, all of our people, who are out there hurting, if it is something that we are missing, and I don't think it is in harm reduction, recently I lost three people.

You know, they just keep going back to the streets, and it is hard, because they think they have to go back out and use these things.

>> Thank you both for sharing the stories I appreciate that. I think that you know, whatever it takes we should have a menu of options to many people who wherever they are. And what we know about speaking about substance just ordered field I am in that field as well. When people are ready to say yes the ready CS, and when people are not they are not. I think as an organization that has literally saved lives.

Not just related to overdose prevention but also related to mitigating people contracting STI's and STDs and other things. If they are doing everything et cetera, I do believe that there is an absolute important space for harm reduction on my team. Doing it on the street at 30 different encampments. We are literally saving lives. At the same time we also operate programs tied to those things.

I think that one, the project, that is related to mental health but as behavior health in general. That's why a fight so hard I recognize some of the benefit benefit systems do not appropriate sir. We need resources that are more flexible to do more absences based. At the same time people are not meant to say yes still deserve to live. They still deserve a quality of life. And I know it is difficult even in my own team. For folks that provide substance abuse arguments.

I did it this way, this is the way it needs to be done. And I am saying no, there is multiple options. The reality is I think we do need a lot more support for these models because we can't let the pendulum swing all the way over. But we need a continuum of care.

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Those who are not willing to say yes, we are literally saving their lives. That is my take on it. I understand. I have to say that though, is one of the key harm reduction organizations in L.A. County. And somebody doing it on the other side of as well.

>> To add to the conversation, part of the thinking on this was in-depth right? Thinking about the continuum of care itself. I want to lift up again there were dollars from last year that went directly to Harm reduction centers. So we had dollars in other parts of last year's budget in this year's budget not budget, allocations and this year's dollars to go. That link to that direction.

So I guess the question I want to ask because the other part two this was the amount. I think it was like 12 million towards that end. So thinking about this especially if there are departments coming together on this. Do the resources that are already here, some of the items already here kind of covered some of the thinking as you all have to go in that direction?

>> The reason why the number is higher it is a capital investment, I don't know if Dr. Hong might be on? I mean,

>> My comments about Dr. Homer reduction in general. Can the region funds be used for this? Since it is a capital?

>> The issue it is already at round six, and extraordinarily competitive. So the likelihood that this would be awarded is somewhat low. It's not that it could not be, it is just that consideration. I think the main consideration I want to lift up is the fact that, with harm reduction it is something that, I recognize you know there are different perspectives on this. I think that fundamentally, we are trying to create a substance abuse system that is low barrier.

It'll also recognize the goal is recovery. But also that recovery looks different for different folks. Especially at different points. And so I think my main message was just the fact that harm reduction is something that weather at federal or state level, there is very little funding going towards it.

So if we as a community are going to support and expand harm reduction, it will need to be based off of local flexible dollars. And that's the only way will be able to expand.

>> Just want to chime in, I agree with the discussions that we are having. I think the difficulty that I have a steer allocating funds on a concept that we don't even know that the

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allegation that we did last year, paid results. I am a result oriented person. I am all for putting 50 million on a program that as a high success rate.

Right now, we are dealing with like 12 million was a 12 million? On a program that we really don't know? And I agree with some of the talks that we have had. The allocation is going to be done last year let's just move on. Hopefully at one point hopefully next year will we review it, and to see which one is really you know pays dividends here.

Were talking about taxpayer money here, and we want to be good stewards, so we can show that we are spending that money wisely. The result, there is results. We should just go by feelings, but by results.

>> I appreciate that.

>> I think it is important to recognize that there are, the lens, so I can't speak through the lands of someone who has never abused drugs and alcohol. But I can as one who did. Who has done street drugs. You know, swung from a chandelier if you will.

There are some of us who love chocolate cake and you can be on a diet but if somebody came in here with chocolate chocolate cake, you might break your diet. And I am using that analogy to say that harm reduction can also cause harm. And the way it causes harm, is that we are not thinking of those who are struggling with the chocolate cake.

In addition to that, I may have, and many times I desired so much. I literally cried and could not understand for the life of me, what was going on. That I could not stop drinking and using drugs. That I missed that child's graduation one more time. Under alcohol and drugs, and now the part is understanding the mind, the mental obsession the ball that went out when I take one. I set off the phenomenon of craving and I have to have more, but it gets deeper than that. There are many of us who struggle with a mental obsession, and don't be depressed. Don't be stressed out, don't be outside. Trying to survive, trying not to feel the feelings from the thoughts that go on inside of our heads.

When I think about harm reduction, I complement many of you who have a great staff will do great work. But on the flipside, when I walk outside of that door, because I am today doing well, and you sit across the street, getting loaded, and I am having one of those excuse my friends aft up days. Guess what I'm coming over to hang out with you.

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We have to make certain that we are putting in front abstinence, the opportunity we need to make sure that we are educated in advertising 12 step programs. Creating beds and facilities for outpatient and inpatient treatment. We need to give people a chance to live. Because drugs kill you. The other thing is I'm going to be quiet. We need to be mindful of when and where we are being enablers, and codependents. I want to live.

>> That is a my tribe, member to seal.

>> One of the things that comes up for me and maybe this is the next that.

Priorities and what we want to prioritize this round right? Given that we have already funded harm reduction perhaps this piece is cheered. So it comes in the second round, the other piece that I want to uplifted, we don't want to succumb to our feelings. And I want to say, this is a very real opportunity for us to reimagine whatever funding will look like this year. We have invested in a lot of the same things and we know it does not work. So while you request results it is important for us to also request for all of us to be able to reimagine what this could look like for this funding cycle.

I think as a next step we give up left it is a tiered approach.

>> Too that end, and the idea of like steps and I appreciate you lifting that up. I guess I kinda want to take a gauge of what the feeling is because the question that I am just kind of having, the first question I am asking is like, do you all support the idea of the movement right? And it seems like overarching that is the energy that we have here. So before we get the conversation about tearing it we are all on the same page for what it means that what we are trying to do. In support. So in the event that we do do that, that brings us to 83 million. \$767 wow, Derek, 83,000,007 and \$60,086.

Member Lewis just brought to the attention, letting us know what the number is, because they also get 1% of the dollars as well towards admin, so that is \$883,040 right? So if you take out item 137 for the skid row dollars. I had all of the committee items, then the administration fee.

It brings us to a total of \$98,909,554. Another million dollars to still allocate. That could be coming back to a tier of like instead of 12 million maybe this one.

It could be the ad hoc committee was saying the dollars should go training and employment. That was their suggestion.

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>> Remember if you're going to be submitting at 100 million as the plan, then the 1% would go up to a full million if you spend at the 80 million is can be that 800,000.

>> We have to go off of what the preliminary budget offers.

>> I am just saying, if you plan on doing 100 that is going to be the number just remember that that 1% to see you are saying? That's all.

>> I got you, I understand. So then, let me do this. We are going to do this. I will fix it.

>> Is a hundred thousand dollars I think that'll do real own conversation. We can factor in the \$100,000 to \$117,000 on the backend. And pull it from somewhere.

>> I agree. So, in acknowledgment of this ad hoc committee suggestions. Because that is what they are right now. Is there any additional conversation you want to have on this? About the approval of these suggestions? I feel like we are if nobody else's we can talk about appearing right so if there is one, maybe we should cut it up into a couple.

>> Yes, I would think, because there is a couple of things, I don't know if you open up the floor for the objections. Number one we need to I don't know if it made sense to make a formal vote when we come back to change it again pick office he will need to cover \$10 million and will goes above the line. Then add you know, just shy of a million dollars for what else goes below the line to get us to \$100 million.

So, I don't know if you asked if there's any objections in general, but I not I think we maybe need to figure this figure that part out. How to vote in a final outcome.

>> The 88, 304, and also I suture same. Okay, I can do it for that. So we are at 83, 98, brought everything over. Well I am doing off-base of what you said right? You take the skid row you get 83. If we don't move anything over, you are 83, so how do get to 88 is the first question right? So what do we want to have for which of the ones under 33% to bring up. Are included right that's how we get to 98. The question is any objection to this I'm not hearing it. If not we have a conversation around getting to 88. That is difficult because 10 million has to coming in the second tier for the things that are included on maybe that's a question I don't know maybe that's the vote you're asking for.

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>> The first vote is the sectors of the advisory committees. So that would be the motion of accepting the advisory committee, recommendations of the items, to be added to the already approved including taking out taking out item 37.

>> I will make a motion to approve it.

>> I will second.

>> So the motion to accept the advisory committee's recommendation, and also taking out the approval skilled role item 137 has been moved and seconded. Public comment, public comment I am hyped public comment please. One minute.

>> As a reminder the public comment period is limited to one minute, to access with a raise in feature star nine. Computer users scroll through reactions. Smart phone users scroll tomorrow. Any comments in the room? Moving to online Hector Ramirez.

>> Hector Ramirez you are on mute unmute yourself.

>> Good evening everybody Hector Ramirez, supervise districts and [Indiscernible]. I want to thank Native American proposal.

I remember being part of this the first year Native American proposals and bottom tier. Actual advocacy community speaking up to ensure that community who is the longest exterior was represented. We have supported and solidarity with equity population. Also just want to reiterate I do feel for harm reduction funding lost. I definitely need more better services than what we have here. Hopefully we can carry those under innovation projects.

Don't have any advocacy for subs and community mental health commission advocate community definitely we need funding.

>> Thank you. Philip Kim.

>> Let's see, very emotional meeting said to a missing person, resident of District one I risen skid row. I really wanted to bring up the fact that the harm reduction that is needed down here is not being met by the orcs that exist currently. The drugs here are tainted. Killing people daily. Disproportionately black disproportionately seniors, and disproportionately people who went to the foster system. Need more resources not less. Harm reduction is obviously very emotional triggering issue. However it would save the lives of dozens of my neighbors and friends. I asked that you reconsider cutting those funds thank you.

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>> Thank you. Neighborhood economic development? Please unmute yourself. Neighborhood economic we cannot hear you, please unmute yourself. Byron go ahead.

>> Hello? Yes, first thank you guys for your great effort in this great change. Improving our society. First I want to give you guys effective. It could be as far as using up the organization. All the topics and agendas to be affected you needed to reach out to everybody. It takes a whole county. It takes every district.

In the organization that is in every district, which discriminatory type of field. That basically put in mind where are going to improve all organizations improve. We are one nation under God you know? We have to emphasize and promote that. [Indiscernible] every district every parish every city.

Different languages especially African-American. To give them their place in the local parish. They can have their own community there.

In one of those locations, and provide infrastructure for to do all of the activities that are being funded you know? So you have to think of that. And also because promoter and designer [Indiscernible]. Unite everybody [Indiscernible]. Tells everybody to do what they do. It is hard to change somebody if they do something different.

>> Thank you sir your time is up.

>> Chair would you like to send public comment of the them at one minute?

>> And the essence of time we leave at one minute.

>> Just a reminder public comments are one minute state your name for the record.

>> Good afternoon everyone this is Byron José with the [Indiscernible] coalition. Thank you for some of the members prioritize and share looking at the [Indiscernible] or not. Beyond that what are some of the things that we really need to say let's use this for the community as an investment in alternative to incarceration.

definitely uplifting funding for black indigenous communities as well as tran Janda [Indiscernible]. System impacted foster care youth, and we are talking about harm reduction. By all means we beat accountability when you see what is working and not working from year won in year two. This whole time, the county funded time again the criminalizes people.

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All communities serve housing regardless of and the point of their live uplifting all of these points have been raised by the community [Indiscernible] true community investment thank you everyone.

>> Thank you share their annoyed hands back to you.

>> Thank you very much can we move to the vote.

[Roll Call Vote]

>> Chair we have 16 yes, one no, back to you.

>> I don't think it was a no I think it was an abstention.

>> 16 yes, one abstained, I apologize.

>> Thank you.

>> I listen to public comments. I listen [Indiscernible] and I recognize that we don't all have all of the answers. That's why the academy engagement pieces is important. But at the same time I think that there is a bigger discussion that needs to happen. It needs to happen with the Department of Public Health, the Department of Health Services. The Department of mental health.

To begin to take a really deep dive and look at substance use disorder and is what's happening in the communities in the streets. So we can figure out how to support, I want to see people live. I want to see all of our County mainstream apartments drive in the successful in the care that they provide to the people in the community. At the same time, it is a catch 22.

That is simply because what else is available? And I never want to be one to leave someone with nothing. But it seeming like in this particular County, you know folks want to give out a whole bunch of oranges right? And they will give you a handful of apples. When the community needs all of the apples that they can get.

We are forcing folks to have origins. And I don't know if that analogy works well for you, but I hope you take it with you and think about it. I want to support in the area of substance use. I am struggling, and I struggle really hard with harm reduction. And it is not just harm reduction, it is a lot of the components.

The experiences that I have had in being in my community engaged in my community attending events where there is resources being passed out.

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Nor con or however you said but I think it is important you guys, because this is an epidemic. You know when you look at the thousands of people that are outside on our streets, you know and you think about for me, anybody who is outside has mental health challenge. Because they are not feeling say.

It is easier, you become so vulnerable. And if you never had none and you get some honey child you ain't feeling all of this pain and anguish. So I just think it is a broader conversation that really needs to be had and it needs to happen in the space.

>> I think we are having it right now.

>> No because it is one-sided and I really think that we should be prepared to have a real conversation. Because we should want to be investing in substance use disorder.

>> Right to that and though that's what I want to reiterate what I'm saying the decision was not because we don't feel like we needed, that was not the decision. The decision was because there were other resources to help provide it. And not just from other spaces I'm talking about CFC I, to the tune of \$900,000 a year for three years out of the dollars from last year to do drop in centers.

Help provide essentials like food and water and blankets hygiene products, and other things needed. Either by referral or on site to provide medical and mental health and other supportive services to increase the racial health disparities. And food insecurity this was last year. Right? So it is not a drop in the bucket, it is still significant. But it is not the 12 million a year for three years as this year's allocation. But I just want to know that we are putting and I and a mind towards that. It was a and.

>> Kinda goes back to Freda, said in reference that really being able to what the doctor has been advocating for. An understanding what has happened you know how successful are we as a result of these tactics

>> I think to that end, because we do have dollars towards it, and there is now a commitment to work with the office to be able to see the impact of the dollars of the Department last year are actually going to be did you see what I'm saying? So that's what, I mean, by like it is not a not because we don't want it, it is a not this year because we are already invested you see what I'm saying? Coming back around. That is 98 million 909,000 \$554. We are \$1,900,546 way. Yes including the admin, 800 \$83.40. Right?

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So we have left to allocate \$1,090,446. The next question is we would you like to put the last million 90,000?

There have been suggestions for non-car's role diversion reentry, John training and employment, I just want to know, because I heard what you said about listening. I think we all do. And to the point about the thoughtfulness we are investing. All of these different things right? How would you all like to some ideas for the last million dollars.

The idea is to get to 100 million, so the next vote will be about our approval of the \$100 million. So how do we use as last million for that?

>> I have not read through all of the items that forgive me, do we have anything in there that talks about the job development, anything with work experience programs? Because I know with the program that I work with, workforce development. A lot of the money for the funding that we got took a big chunk of that. So maybe we can invest in one of the items that talks about work experience for those who are coming out of jail.

We give them an opportunity to work with an organization that puts them to work. I know I believe, chrysalis in downtown Santa Monica worked with people. Who are coming out of drug treatment programs and coming out of jail and putting them to work with Caltrans and other department stores. But paying for them to work. When you come out of jail, or you're coming out of drug treatment and you have nowhere else to go, or to make money. And you come out you stop making money, starts to build your self-esteem appeared I am speaking from experience.

>> I love that, it may be off of the one new project right? The reintegration academy, to add additional funding, but to also add you know I stipends, or work experience dollars. Placement, follow-up, to that, and make it a robust program.

>> Member Lewis.

>> So we have \$973,000 left, so if you're going to do that, member point us not a full million you have \$970,000

>> If you do that to put up on the screen, the number we are at now \$99,026,514. So the remaining amount is 97346 okay? So this is what we are actually moving in this particular case. 973,400 and \$3. So I don't think that's a bad idea we have ideas on the table. Anymore thoughts?

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>> I also cosigned the idea of committing it to pay work experiences in those things like that those things can be quite expensive if you are paying. The benefits well folks are upscaling and gaining professional experience and often times community organizations don't have funds at that level.

>> I will say they will be letting us know. Workforce development was actually the number one supported area by way of the community too. So I think you will be a number what you're saying.

>> The only thing that I will say is that as we added I'm advocating for part of it for people being paid during training. We don't have the capability to do the training for free when they're trying to figure out livelihoods. I only support it, if it adds money to pay people's stipends while they are in training. Because I don't necessarily think that is incorporated now. So we can pay before the training.

>> Agree.

>> I like all of this. I'm wondering, and this is wishful thinking and I don't know how well it fits within the concept. I don't think anybody's ever considered a basic needs fund. For something that really helps meet the needs for people who participate in the programs.

So it could be you know transportation stipends to go to school or to work or whatever. I just don't know you know what's we have to help fill those gaps between participation in this work. Something to look at.

>> If I could offer one thing on top of what the doctor was mentioning. We are piloting with the funds which a limited equity fund that offers that sort of flexible cash assistance for folks in training. I agree with them but stipends are great and pay work experience if you are doing a transitional job. But pay a months rent, to deal with childcare issues and things like that. Those are really helpful and very difficult to find with federal public workforce dollars.

>> I am typing and listening at the same time. So, you are saying one more time, that we should also it should be on top of that you are already you are piloting something but you think that should be added to what we are talking about here?

>> I mean, it could be a standalone project or part of one of the things I will discuss later more general job training in employment project that could include things like that. But yes like right now it is standalone run through a community based organization.

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>> Into it I think member scores had mentioned supportive services dollars to cover some of his basic needs.

>> You said flex basis needs funding? So what is on the table, I am hearing and am interpreting what is been said so far, possibly adding these dollars to this reintegration academy and adding additional elements?

>> I just want to make sure there is no restrictions when you mentioned you know how are we defining flex? What is flex?

>> Added as his own line [Indiscernible]. But also, obviously there is some parameters right? But as long as you can demonstrate with all the income or whatever, that we would have to figure out what that looks like. But I think he was saying I don't know what that looks like?

Essentially people that are there would have to be a lot of coordination because we have multiple organizations. I like it has to be somebody that those organizations.

Will or for managers them those organizations refer to them. The proof is that they are participants, their participating and went to Keller's programs et cetera, there is models that we have now, there is parameters. I think that is the eligibility criteria won of the programs that you are connected to, because we are still accessing those dollars.

Get attached to the flex funds tran to facilitate that. And then they don't have to jump through hoops.

>> Yes, I agree with that, that's what we are piloting now, is a separate organization that has cast decisions for folks. I just want to point out it is important that it is separate than the traditional service delivery, which is we are going to let you buy this Metro card whatever it is. To spend it on what they need, but multiple different providers.

>> Okay I am hearing two things, there is the support additional support for readmission for items imported including paid during training, work experiences, and then there is a separate item for a organization or a separate fund for basic needs and cash assistance? For folks who are in these types of programs?

>> Maybe 400,004 to be for this type in peace, or people want to job development and the remaining 500,000 for flex funds. That is my proposal. 473486 to pay for stipends while

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people go through the job development that would be attached to one of their respective job development trainings. And then 500,000 for flex funds.

>> I got you I see what you are saying.

>> I don't know which one to attach the two,

>> It is a little complicated

>> My plan was this, to approve the 88 and the 100 million, because most of what you are talking about the changes in dollars were already implemented. It is really changing and language and combining certain things but the numbers don't necessarily mean that. I want to hold it so yeah go ahead then.

>> Just as a heads up so everyone knows what we are talking about. One of the things that I mentioned last meeting, is there is a handful of job training and employment programs, that capture a variety of workforce development approaches across a bunch of sectors.

So the proposed winemaking is to capture the various workforce development so that is what I'm saying it could be attached to that. Remember Lewis as a specific line item. That's for consideration in committee.

>> To remember Lewis' question to you though that is specific for folks incarcerated or formally incarcerated? I think a larger, at least how I am hearing this is that what jobs item do we have that really kind of captures I guess the most types of people, that this could tax you?

Does this need to be his own item itself you know what, I mean?

>> I am just going to uplift the idea that it should be its own I need him and not necessarily splitting at this time. Because direct cast is in need of very largely. I would venture we are trying to chop down I venture to say it should be funded what we have, allocate at this time. I would just uplift that it should be its own thing.

>> For what it is worth if you are finding folks are little bit more, you are going to be able to find with 500,000, 250 people or something like that.

>> I love that, the question is can we would you be if we are talking about two separate items, I am hearing actually a fund that does two different things that make sense? Where it is dollars that can be tapped into to make sure people are paid during training and pay for work experience is that what you're saying?

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>> I think that makes a lot of sense, it is meeting the same purpose can get the sense they need to bridge the gap. Between where they are need to be. It was this year, or could be educational training programs make sure it doesn't matter, the idea here is that we are trying to get people across because we know beyond a that I work with.

Life is going to throw a curveball are away. They are going to lose the car is going to break down the tire will blow out, they're waiting for the check in six days in a daze and they can get to get the training program. Stuff is going to happen.

We have funds available to bridge that gap,

>> Yes member Lewis.

>> So, okay, so to be clear, \$500,000, for a new line item flex funds listed into a separate entity. To attach tied to see FCI and Arbor funding that basically supports eligibility is the fact that they were referred by them. But specify member Casio have you separated out just talking about job training or job training. Put that is a separate line item as well? Or attach it which I feel like we should do so it doesn't get gobbled up.

But is that what you are saying because I support that. Because I was saying attach it to one of the existing ones, but the more we talk about it, maybe we shouldn't, to make sure it's purpose, I am trying to declare what you are saying?

>> I was actually suggesting instead of breaking it out and lumping it into a no other job recognition programs that it just be the bridge to cap fund that you had just listed. So it would amount to 973,000. That would allow us to at least bridge the gap for 973 people.

>> The only thing I would say to that, besides obviously just creating things that don't exist, and having funding tied to expanding that we know where. I think the important for me and tying it directly to all of the job training programs we are going to invest in. We need to set the tone and make it clear, and we have this department for the new don't have people sitting in training and don't pay them.

That reason I feel is important to tied to the program specifically as opposed to a separate fun you can tap into. By nature of the fact that people are going to this and imply that

they don't have any money, I think that we can demonstrate how we fund that we want people paid from the jump.

In order to do that, I think it needs to be tied to the training program. That is my reason for saying tie it. I do think we should be prescriptive if you added to one of these job developments, that this plot of money a percentage of money is directly for this but I think for that reason, it should be tied directly pick because we need to say we think is important to be people from the beginning.

>> And I want to support what member Lewis is saying, because we have to be able to track those dollars. The board is going to want to know how are these dollars specifically are being utilized and tracked.

>> Just for clarification, you are saying tie it to one of the programs or have a be its own thing. What I heard the first time was it is its own thing, but the way you can get eligible for those funds is if you are in one of the programs.

>> That's a flex funds that is different. So there is two different things, the flex funds for whatever your basic needs are. I thought we said you all an issue somebody said let's tie some of it to job development. I'm not a supportive no paperboy training. So my question is how do many people need job development training program start?

You divide that by 473 and it tells us we can figure out what the step you will be. For me that is the time. If there's anybody resending and training should be paid for. In IE know if you know the number of people you expect to serve that gets the stipend should be between this and this does that make sense for the dollar amount advocating?

>> I catch what you are saying. I was thinking the other way around talking about the workforce dollars. If you are in that and getting paid I start the other way around. So, I guess it goes back to the initial question again. Which program would that make sense to be tied to?

>> I think at this time, the way the recommendation is written, we don't know how many people these are serving at this time. So when I was looking at job training and employment programs, the youth one that we just talked about, is funded at 145,000. I don't think that is very many folks or that certain would be enough to pay folks for training.

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But if you're looking at the other job training programs, some of them that I combined around \$5 million that I was looking at to share with the group. So I think you could tie it to that. And make it eligible for folks who are applying to those programs.

>> If they move it forward the point is, this group decides to move it forward, it should be directly tied to all of that is the point. But the point is it needs to be tied and available to each of them job development programs. That is all I suggest.

>> So we are going to get there, but what issues fruit for you all to know the document the word document in the back. You are talking about item number one. So the klaxon of these and tying into that?

>> Yes that's what I was talking about yes.

>> Okay that make sense, so for now, we will just say that to your point tying the two, but we will get to specifically when we get to the subject. Of like the collapsing of them it will be this one in particular. But okay, okay so how much is left? We have 500,000 for bridging the gap fun, okay cool. I got you. Thank you. We'll make it a little bigger so everybody can see it.

>> Can I make a motion? So can you will see the screen? Okay so again we are on the first part. Just trying to get to 100 million them were going to next part. So I want to motion that you all can see the screen to get to the 200 billion, we move forward with the previously approved \$98,026,514. Add on the million dollars for administrative costs for CFC I. And those related services.

add-on the \$470,486 to provide stipends for people in any of the job placement programs, and \$500,000 for flex funds, to support basic needs for anybody tied to any of this CFC I. Or related funds. American recovery American rescue plan act. Which gives us to \$100 million that is the motion.

>> I second it.

>> The motion has been made. In second in.

>> I have a question, I just want to make sure that I am clear. When you refer to are but programs to CFC I programs funded through that.

>> Yes.

>> That is the ARP, CFC I programs.

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>> So it is been moved in second to add the remaining \$973,486 splitting it between a stipend for people attached to job programs, and also a flex fund attack to see SCI/ARP programs to get us to \$100 million any thoughts? Any un- readiness? This move to public comment.

>> As a reminder the public comment period is one minute per person, please state full name for the record. Any comments in the room?

>> Hi my name is Theodora my last name is or why i.e., aching construction industry, and I just want to support what you guys just the topic you get to talk about which is job development and job training yada yada yada. Those funds I work primarily on private projects. That had some kind of contingency funding. And that help to the community really benefit. So folks who are looking to go to work, to her point.

They definitely need to be incentivize, particularly when they go to the pre-apprenticeship program. But once they get into apprenticeship but before they get their pre-apprenticeship, and construction, they need to be paid. So please allocate the 5 million that she mentioned thank you.

>> Good afternoon everyone Byron José with the coalition [Indiscernible]. Yeah definitely one or more. Definitely being paid whether they are trained and specific job placement. But be on that I definitely wanted to say that, so we are going to stop by trying to count all of the pennies out of the \$80 million. Asking for the full 100 million as we were told that was going to happen and increase that.

So again, ARPA funds, and all of these other things are not just being supplanted or being taken into account. And we are creating things but we are being intentional. Thank you.

>> Thank you. Moving to online please remember public comment period is one minute Hector remarries.

>> Hector remarries Los Angeles County Department of mental health. It is the largest public mental health sense of in the United States. Last year's 250,000 people. My one of the things that we are spirits a great deal is dealing with substance use disorder self-medication. Often times leading to incarceration and being homelessness. Being able to get services.

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Funded by the state in the county really has been impossible this could have been an good effort to help save lives. You know, you have extra money, you could consider supporting those initiatives.

Work projects a great we have the Department of rehabilitation we have funded programs. Your question is bloated. And unnecessarily and you are perhaps have an opportunity to say people by supporting harm reduction real harm reduction thank you.

>> Thank you. Neighborhood economic development.

>> Yeah so my concern that I have, with my experience that I have. And doing projects like this for this. It may be targeting what causes the problem that are not around you know? Part of it is [Indiscernible] law enforcement programs in cities. [Indiscernible] you know?

For instance this past year I started doing my project again. To go back to get the work when you get out of jail. And you get pulled over and you get the car taken away and that goes for everybody. Because they are Chicano and their gang leaders or whatever.

The thing is that you've got to change the hearts and minds of discrimination. And label gang members.

>> Sorry sir that is you won minute. Seeing no more enhance Ray's chair back to you.

>> Let's bring it to a vote.

[Roll Call Vote]

>> Chairman we have 17 votes of yes. Back to you.

>> Thank you to all of the community members, thank you to all of the trusted messengers, thank you to all of the folks that If you give me one session, I want to do one thing before you go I apologize one thing before you go. I do have thank you's I will come back to thank you's.

Before you go, because we are at 88 million, by way of what the preliminary budget has already stated. We also want to do a tearing, and I have a suggestion, for the touring that I want to bring to you. It does impact some of the things we already approved. Now mind you, this is a tear, we are not taking anything off.

But what we want to do is the program one that we are talking about for the next community. 141, which is no no no, 66128. We want to put that on the second tier. So we want

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to keep the center on tier one, meaning that regardless of what happened make sure you find that. But on the second tier which is the second \$12 million, once that gets approved, by way of us actually advocating for.

Or by way of budget if the dollars actually come. We want to move that to the second tier so it will get funded with that second \$12 million. So we know we are at 883. So we want to add that, also 141, which is lead.

Where we had a whole conversation about lead, and how we are ready funded we will put that on tier two as well. We will also take a million 1.7 million, from item 50, which is rental assistance. It is at 10 million, we will take 1.7 million away from it. Hold on, hold on, hold on it is not that we are not going to find it, it is in the second tier, so once we get the additional 12 million it will be full 10 million. But in tier one, it is funded at 8.2 million. All right?

So the suggestion is to move 141 to tier two as well as 1.7 million of item 52 tier two, that is what we are asking.

>> I just want to remind us, how important it is to have this second tier. That is truly, truly important. But we have a housing crisis and people are outside, and people are falling. There is no way, that I could support cutting any dollars from anything that has to do with that type of housing.

>> I want to reiterate we are not cutting.

>> Even though let me tell you something, let me tell you something, when I was little. We had, if we had to ice creams in the freezer it was three of us, and if it wasn't, we could not have no ice cream. Because it wasn't three. Do you understand the point I'm making?

If we go with cutting anything around housing regardless of whether we talk about tier two. We cannot afford that, because there is no guarantee. That is the problem right did there is no guarantee.

>> So I want to say, and also growing up with six people and there was to ice cream is in the fridge, my parents would cut it up, so that everybody should get some right? So what I am saying is 8.2 is still an amount that is going towards the fund to support housing. So I want to make sure we have that there.

>> So what we are saying is that 4 million is going to tier one regardless. 2.5 is something kind of like we would've done it ourselves. It is going to come but it'll come later.

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>> Yes, that is what we are saying.

>> Albury back to the community, I want to lift up and let everybody know I spoke with some of our native community members and I let them know how this group has been in solidarity with them. And they are very, very, very grateful for that. I cannot tell you how to see our elders beaming and to be acknowledged.

I just want to look that up to you all, and you will see some of them at the meeting next week the town hall. They are planning on coming.

We are bringing them altogether will provide transportation so they can come. But we are asking them to come out and show up to the community and that you all know who we are. Sorry guys I have to leave.

>> To everybody, there is a community letter that is going out to put the board supervisors to make sure making the case towards the funding of the \$100 million or more. For CFC I. So as you see they use and listen to the public to go, you see that circulating anyone add your name to, your organization to it please do. We are working to have that letter go out to the Board of Supervisors on Monday. And also to be added to public comment general public, for the meeting on Tuesday.

We are also working to have audience with the board offices as we speak. I got contacted by the office three, and two. To have meetings so I will definitely invite you on there. Go ahead please mama loose.

>> Thanks for making recommendations for the conversation. You know, initially we only had less than \$1 million in rental assistance, and I am the one who asked for 9 million to be added. And we did it, but given that unfortunately we don't want to give our discretion away. Because it is something that this committee added. I understand I was see acutely how much of a gas the Representative for rental system. We had 9 million to something that wasn't even there, I support, and for anybody who doesn't I want to do a ask you to look up the list and come up with an alternative.

>> That the other part taking a look at what we are, these are items thing out the changes in suggestion that we have already made. And again, it is continued support right? We are still advocating to make sure we get to \$100 million or more. On all fronts, even if the Board of Supervisors don't move, looking at supplemental budget and try to make sure we have

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the maneuvers there, this conversation is ongoing it does not stop. I want to be clear there. Our goal, and you have my commitment as the chair of the committee, to work towards making sure we get to \$100 million if not more. That is my goal. So the hearing of this will give us the lion share of everything that we have worked through.

They said we could do it the time limits to take, there is no way, we did okay, so I wanted to make sure that is known, we are talking about all 51 Les two and a quarter. Not even a quarter do not me? Two in a tent. So, any other thoughts towards this?

>> Yes so I am a going to wear that hat from the messenger point of you know. I'm thinking if we are going to have the town all next week on the 20th, and we are going to have community messaging from the very beginning was a hundred million. So now how do we plant for that response from the community shared. Now we know the back and in budging year is two weeks ago.

How do we explain that message? Who is going to do it? Honoring the fact that when we engage them none of this was told and now that is 100 it could be less. I just would caution or just think about how we are going to see it from one united front. Engaging the community and of course there is a promise that it could be more but we just don't know?

I am thinking now is a trusted messenger folks will be here, it will be virtual as well but in person just accounted for that and, so those are my \$0.02 just as I think for next week's town hall.

>> It is a fantastic question. When I was at the event for the state of black Los Angeles. I had a deep that conversation with a supervisor Holly Mitchell's office. And they had their budget meeting with the community on Monday. And I was tearing them up in the chat room there too.

Making the case clear about what is going on. And what the needs are, they will be here, right? To be able to hear what the community is saying on this front. This is the position that we are in, by way of the budgeting process. That they have put in front of us. The advocacy and the reason why we voted first on \$100 million, is because that's the commitment that we have to the community right? And to what was said to us right?

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So I think even in the conversation with the community next week, making that part very clear. Like this body, even with out, with the knowledge of all was told to us, even with new information coming to the table are still with the commitment that we had said to the community.

Is that \$100 million, and the conversations and movement is built around that. This is knowing that there is a couple movements in the budgetary process, if this conversation needs to go be on this next month, how do we want to make sure our resources, I'm sorry I recommendations and still taking care of? If we know it is 88 million let's make sure those things that are tough and list are definitely taken care of.

While we still fight this 112 you see what I'm saying? Is the truth. I think in the last 13 years of working in community with the social justice learning Institute. The thing that always moved in the right direction is the truth. And letting folks know exactly what is going on. I think this transparent process with the trustee messages along the way has helped us do that. While we continue to move in that direction. Hopefully that answers the question that you bring up

>> This also might be a stretch of said anyway, I also want to say next Tuesday the recommended budget will be released. So we will get a first glance of what the CEO is recommending for the school year.

I know they have a lot of County deponent employees and department is in his room. But I highly encourage you all send in written public comment. Exercise your right as a resident of L.A. city or L.A. County.

Just say hey, this is the power that I hold, this is who I am this is the district that I am in. And I highly encourage you to uplift funding to the two of a hundred million at the very least. And just exercising your public right.

>> For sure. So bringing it back around, these are the suggestions I bring to the table but if anyone has any others I am open to anything to lift up. And if not, you know I'm hoping for a motion to accept the tearing of moving these into tier two. Is what The motion will be built around.

>> I like to move that we accept the chair steel's recommendation to move 141 which is lead tier two the combines I don't know what is so. Number 66 and 1282 tier two.

And then 1.8 just shy of 1.8 million number 50 which is housing rental assistance program into tier two. To get us to 8,304,000 tier two.

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>> Motion made.

>> I will second period

>> Seconded, yes? The motion has been made to accept these items to be on tier two, lowering the amounts so that we having tier two to the items that to get us to \$100 million. Is there any questions?

>> So the recommendations for the ad hoc committee just brought back the second round are at the tier one.

>> Yes, except for 66128. All of the items that we just went through yes that is a good. Any other questions or thoughts? On this? Again clarity, particularly to the community who is following along here. All of these things are for \$100 million, this is just tearing them between a set that is for 88,304,000, and then another set that is for like 11,000,700 dollars. I have to look up with a number is. 11,696,000. So that is what these items are present. Can we move to public comment.

>> As a reminder the public comment period is one minute per person. Please state your name for the record. Any comments in the room? Moving to online

>> Hector Ramirez [Indiscernible] I really I have to speak of how this meeting fell. From the moment were some of the supervisors are all appointees were making comments about the Native American community. You know really the issues all about focusing on equity issues for community. It really felt like there was an anti- native sentiment a bias not only to Native American and Hispanic community.

It is really this distressing I'm not in the room I'm looking at people laugh and make comments. Walking around, so the message from somebody that is joining from afar and watching. It really was concerning, it will he was framing, and you know to have Native American community move into the second tier feels like we are being held hostage. But we will roll with the punches to get the community what they need. It really felt like there was a significant bias from a specific appointee on this committee.

By her records, by her statements, which works thinly veiled and you know, we work in the spirit of unity which is all of us not just everybody for themselves. Those are the same problems that we have, that's we can't find any of you.

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>> Thank you Hector Ramirez we want to keep it fair at one minute for all of the public comment. There are no other hands raised chair back to you.

>> Thank you very much, let's bring it to the vote.

[Roll Call Vote]

>> Chairman we have 12 yes, and three abstain, we meet quorum back to you.

>> Motion passes.

>> Motion passes.

>> Thank you I want to state that the directives from the last three votes will give us the opportunity to make the recommendation to the CEO office, on how these dollars move forward. Clarification, and I want to be clear here. Our commitment to our native Indian, Alaskan native, brothers and sisters, is not wavering at all. In this right? The commitment in tier one, is for them developing a center for the community. That is very clear, that is in there. This conversation around 2.5, for the service element of it, is in tier two.

It is not that is going away when not taking out this is about making sure that we have another set to give directive to the CEOs office. What does that actually mean? That means in the report we are saying, hey we know that you all said that our budget for this year is \$88,304,000. Here is the items that we want to make sure that are allocated in the 88,304,000.

Do you know what? We are still advocating and pushing for a \$400 million if not more, and in that second tier, if those dollars are made available when those dollars are made available by way of Board of Supervisors approval or in the budget. Here is the second set that we want to make sure our allocated to get funded as well right? Again, which is the reason why the 100 million-dollar vote, becomes very critical, because we are clear about we are supporting.

So I want to say thank you very much to each and every one of you, for your belief in the process, even with some of the hiccups and some of the shortcomings in the cleanup in future. But we lead with community we lead with the community agreements. Very real in this process, and I am very grateful for your time and your attention and your energy and your thoughtfulness.

The additional time that was spent in the ad hoc committees whether it be the community engagement one and also the one around narrowing down these recommendations.

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I am very grateful for your time and energy, even those were part of the ad hoc committee for the \$100 million.

That was a whole other process that is going on. I asked the trusted messengers to believe in the process too and they did. It was a lot different than it was last year, the were definitely different. Shout out to the team for molding the process with the additional dollars so we have left to be able to have trusted messengers do this work with us.

That 145 constant recommendations does not happen without them right? So all of the people who are involved, most importantly the people that we do this about, I was on my way here today my wife called me, and she said I know you are nervous, I am a little anxious today.

She said don't forget who you are doing this for, that part is why we are here each and every week. And so each and everyone of you, who, and participate in the space with us, thank you. Those of you who come to the town hall next week to hear and learn more about how we got to this and what we are going to do from here, thank you to them. But this is only one part of the work there is still more to do.

I just want to take a moment to think you all for your time and attention. In a clip for you. All right this last 30 minutes, but we are going to do, we have a last piece on these items. They took a deep dive on the job training and employment access for funding for minority businesses. Did some work and combining some things that need to be combined as well as changing the language some of these two. I will give the floor to her, to bring these forward, and the last vote on this will be about us approving the changes that she recommends.

>> Thank you so much. And just a heads up that the version that you have in your packet is the second to last version. So when it is in yellow you are seeing my notes to fill in the Halloween grade. All of those are done. Rest assured. My to do this is in there. I want to talk to you about maybe we can send like the that one yes. But if you look at page one, and we started to talk about this last week and a little bit earlier. There is a number of job training and employments programs in here.

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That have a goal of quality jobs and career pathways for folks. That is the ultimate goal, and to get to it in a combination of different ways by offering things like job readiness, or paid occupational training, or supportive services and digital literacy and membership, business development services and things like that.

So, you know when I was looking at these there was a lot of common threads among the eight that I have laid out here. And I think there could be an opportunity and I will discuss it with the committee. For combining these into a larger pot of money, where folks where community organizations and other partners, across the county, with the focus on the impacted individuals and other individuals.

To apply with the goal of delivering programs for high quality jobs and career pathways that leverage some or all of these approaches towards this development. I just think we could be able to open up the access for community organizations to actually apply. And all of the concepts that I read would meet that criteria for these. So whoever put them in would be able to go first with these dollars. And then you also see when you are looking at them there are a variety of 200000 to 1.5 million so there's an opportunity for substantial size awards for those who apply.

That is the biggest thing that I am promoting here. Which is to collapse into a more general job training and employment concept. That allows folks to apply and offer everything or imply a part for smaller community organizations that make you some of this all with the goal of higher quality jobs.

I will go ahead and stop before I get into other smaller pictures that I may make based on my read. So I opened up to folks feedback.

>> To clarify asking to have everything on page 104 into one?

>> Just page one. Yes these bullets these eight.

>> That's what I am referring to that is a lot. So I'm sorry I didn't get a chance to read this before. But does your adage include [Indiscernible] moving forward is very clear that you were saying people have these bundle of services are all of them, are you going to tease out that one? Is that was in the document?

>> Yet know so, what I reflecting on the conversation from last week too. Like these are all elements of our workforce development program that you could have all of them. And

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some of these proposed all of them and some of them propose offering some subsets of those services. I think that could be allowable within the language. As long as the goal is jobs.

>> Okay you're proposing all of this under the county department and none of it is the administrator?

>> I think that is open for discussion. I can see whether it could come under our department to administer as a third party or CBO's but we don't deliver it ourselves we delivered through community based organizations. Last year it was us split between PEO and TBA.

>> There was a question last week about adding another TPA to the whole conversation. And the feedback that I got on this, because of the essence of time it takes to do that. It might make more sense for some of these items to go to departments who already have relationships. And figuring out how we want to actually move those for?

If we say TPA, it can also mean the TPA of a certain department so we can have TPA/GEO or J5. Or DY D, they have relationships with the TPAs in the departments too. I just want to add that to the conversation. To what you just said Kelly. Please carry on.

>> All I would say is that for variety of reasons for the last several months, if we are going I don't think it should [Indiscernible] that we talked about. In terms of access to and I know that is your goal because you made very clear you want more access. But there are realities with contracting with the county we hopefully transform some of them but we are not there yet.

For me, if we are going to delineate and separate. Regardless of what Derek said I don't support that. Regardless of how it gets to TBA, if we are going to delineate we have to spend time doing that so there is one line item for the county department and there is a different line item for TBA. That would be my thinking. I'm only one vote I'm just saying.

>> Thank you for that comment member Louis. I think if I hear correctly member LoBiondo what I hear you saying is, you can also in the combination of these you can help support the administration correct? And I know with the American rescue plan you all delivered the economic opportunity Grant. It sounds to me like this may be an opportunity to leverage existing resources like millions of dollars to accelerate some of this existing work is accurate?

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>> Yeah, and, I mean, I agree. I think that is an opportunity. And part of the reason is not that each of these individual programs were great ideas I think they all had great elements to them all of which are included here. It is just that I actually think that away a lot of these are written, the concepts through speak to one existing program.

So the opportunity to sort of lift the spirit of what they're trying to find, would allow a greater variety of communities to apply.

>> Member LoBiondo the other things these are and to see dollars gets you more for its ability to address the requirements. I think member Lewis and I were talking there's a lot of rigidity like the programs right? So, you know it looks like there may be an opportunity here really to move the sellers out quickly.

I know we trying to get dollars out the door. So I like the idea of combining these concepts. I think it really helps to move it can help to move the dollars very quickly.

>> I support doing things that make sense with existing if a search right. The only thing that I would say to what he just said was that a lot of times I have seen it from other departments.

When we leverage existing infrastructure, sometimes the water gets murky, and the rigidity comes into the what is supposed to be the more flexible dollars. So what I would say, and this is to every department, but in particular if we are going to put this all of this money because you have infrastructure. I want to make sure that the language.

And then our follow-up in terms an advisory capacity ensures that there is a delineation and that the unnecessary rigidity that comes sometimes a federal and state dollars did not find its way because it actually happens.

>> I cosign on that. I am also frustrated by some of those requirements. So I hear you in agree.

>> I have a comment so I think here for life sciences I see that these are high you could say demand areas, but do we consider anything around environmental and climate change? It was hot just two days ago today it is cold. There is an agency that is working with Governor Newsom's initiative which is the core fellows. Just 150 core fellows that are dispatched throughout the state.

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They are really tackling climate action, and how are we spreading that? How are we looking at that? The idea with the workforce training program is that they actually join these nonprofits or sectors in public and private that are doing the work, and summer these are phenomenal students. And the other agency I am thinking of, again by no order or distinction for example the California conservation agent 24. Are we looking at within life sciences.

Can you describe that is there a breakdown on the looks environmental injustice as well? And the growth and opportunity for employment as well? Or even just to at any thoughts about it.

>> I mean, I appreciate that comment a lot, because you know we are thinking about at least my team and our partners in the field are thinking about course development programs. They focus on job quality and equity and they also focus on sustainability. So all three, and I think that you could build programs no matter what sector is done.

May be your focus on a lot of sectors, some of these programs here, actually none of the focus on one sector. All on variety of sections. The programs that you mentioned, because I know some of those. Those would be eligible under a pot like this. They would capture some of those elements and they have a particular occupational or industry focus. And I think the sustainability could go across any sector.

>> Just making that clear distinction that there are communities impacted greater disproportionally by climate impact. And we may identify companies like space acts that are in other parts of town. But do they necessarily benefit the immediate community where we are doing business. For us it is just making sure that irrespective of the man or the type of business.

That they are actually looking at the cross-section.

>> I don't know, maybe this is to or for like the next stage. But I think some of this can be built into the RP weather is a TBA or department. There is that overlay of equity Explorer and the vulnerability Index to make sure that they're going dollars go to the highest areas.

>> Thank you.

>> dear something you want to add? Okay, so the combination of these items, gives us \$5,260,442. Okay? And what I am hearing also, and I actually prove this as a

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suggestion, this combined item actually using existing infrastructure in the office. And have actually leave as well. So keep going please.

>> This is for discussion right now and taking action on. I am just following along with the notes of the conversation.

>> Yet so as I was looking at this, it made me think about you, and concept 84. I'm not sure, and if you would like just take a look at it.

>> It is a job-training program that is focused on individuals experience experienced substance abuse disorder. Okay just to be correct some of it what you will see in here is just fun for you, because it is in the other documents.

I made some tweaks to the community health worker, the community health worker project. Just to because it was sort of high level around community health worker programs. And I just want to lift up that there is an opportunity to sort of expand job-training programs culturally competent way.

For community health worker workforce. For the one right below it, again excuse the yellow these notes I had to myself. For the fair chance project I did expand it a little bit beyond the project just the Bears change programming so folks could apply to fair chance programs into health and jobs. Number four, is a job-training program technology I just want to point out I kept that separate because it is really focused on community colleges in job-training.

I did not include that in sort of the combination. It is a separate program. You know I encourage them to be separate.

>> Let me posit real quick please

>> For the community health workers, four years or so in the county. Does the program exist already like this? Would be in the expansion of it? Can you talk more about that?

>> So we are we are working on that a little bit, but the health department through the place program Los Angeles careers for Los Angeles county. Yeah anyways, the place program preparing Los Angeles [Indiscernible]. And we also are leveraging some rescue plan dollars to find community health worker programs. There are others out there as well.

>> Okay the only thing I will add I think that especially because some of the investment of CI, some of [Indiscernible] expanding were refined of lot of folks and obviously this can be workers that are different disciplines across the county. But I would hope that in addition

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to preparing people to become committee health workers there's a lot of additional support needed when speaking, employee, so I hope that I think as a system folks in the workforce.

This additional support needed so I hope it can be postemployment as well, because I think that would be life-changing. For the system and for organizations who are increasingly hiring community health workers.

>> I agree with you, I did include language to that effect, just because the concept was just like support committee health worker programs. So I suggested education and information about community health worker programs and services expanding job-training programs for them, and offering job quality and. Support for existing community health workers for the retention period and satisfaction because I agree with you they really how to change workforce and pathways.

>> Please

>> I just want to jump in, and I am not sure if everyone is aware of the existing programs that live within Jay Codd. Specifically the re- entrance intensive case management service program, that specifically utilizes community health workers through community-based organizations to provide management services. Linking people to jobs. Also the skills the sector programs. Skills and experience for careers of tomorrow also is a community-based organization. Specifically focused on people who are impacted by the justice system.

And I think this speaks to several of the concept recommendations, so if there is an interest in looking to County programs that have already touched on this. There are programs that exist and probably elsewhere.

That serve these populations.

>> Can you see your name please.

>> This is Gina alternate member for Judge Johnson.

>> Okay.

>> Is that what the comment was meant to imply?

>> I just want to make sure that everyone is aware of the programs that already exists within the county and if there is an interest in you know, expanding those programs to

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restore additional people, and some of that stuff is already happening. I am not sure how familiar the committee is with those programs? That is important to raise.

>> Okay thank you.

>> I appreciate that, too. I think like J cod, and I know some others we run programs that have a specific focus on justice of all individuals and then we work closely with the community-based organizations to deliver those with the goal of getting jobs and sectors. Quickly because I know we are short on time. Number five here, is a is called workforce equity project. But really the spirit of it is to get folks into County jobs.

And so I did want to raise up that there is a program called a place program. That we run at the Department of economic opportunities in 2019 that we are in the process of expanding. The Board of Supervisors passed a motion to expand it so we are serving more people per year end getting into County jobs. So I offered some language there.

The last two are actually not job-training employment there access for funding for businesses. We talked about this last week. But I did offer to combine the two entrepreneurship programs, recommendations 102 and 28 and often language to combine the two. For folks that are looking to apply to run programs of all capital as well as education and technical assistance and community connections for entrepreneurs and small businesses.

Again that is in the document and then the last one was on we chose an conversation last week to keep one of four separate which is worker cooperative employee ownership also offered language but did want to include the department is launching a worker equity. Employee ownership program now a pilot the ship.

>> Got you, can you identify out of these items that you shared first of all thank you for this work. Because you brought up a couple times in the meeting. I'm gonna do my part, I'm going to tackle this and I appreciate it. I noted the first one on page 104. That you are for of DO to take on this.

Of the other items that are left can you identify you know, which are the ones that you see are in your wills?

>> Sure, I think number three could be but I think that that one is more expensive than the department oversees hiring campaign. And we work with a lot of departments and we

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are running a program through American rescue plans for now. But I think that could be more expensive and open to others as well.

Number five we run the county place program, I think it is advantageous to potentially run that one through GEO. Because we work directly with departments to understand classifications in THR. We know it is complicated to get to the county. We are excited about expanding the program and those people get in.

And then number two on that, the back of page 404 around employee ownership. Because we have existing we are launching an existing program to do that right now. And there is limited funds for that.

>> Got you Thank you very much for that. Okay, all right friends yes please.

>> You know I appreciate member Stevens brought up about item number 84 that has like a focus on SU D. So I am answering and I also appreciate the comments from the alternates for member jobs Olmsted. Reminding us about the sector. Sector is unique in a sense that it is vocational training job-training, but for individuals. That you know have a history of substance or mental health. Specifically. So I don't know? I would like to number 84.

84 that is on page eight.

>> Leaving it as is.

>> Leaving it as is. Yes, because I think the only thing that I am not reading and 84 that they offer like you know job-training to high growth sectors. I don't think I remember reading that on it.

>> I think that makes sense too to oversee that one.

>> For item 84, it is certainly something worth supporting. So I agree with the proposal to include it as is. I don't know if there's anything more specific?

>> Okay, so toward this end, what was suggested if you are looking at the document, number one on page one, looking at that taking out 84 so was still standalone. It is combining these less 84, which gives you 4 million \$131,442 for that combined peace. Item two on page two, would be TPA.

Item three, is also one that is recommended that is in the DO office. Four is TPA, five is DEL, and again these are all standalone. When we get to the small business minority

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owned businesses, item one, is combining 102 and 28 in entrepreneurship programs, together and that would be TPA.

And then item two, because of the work that is already happened and this will be in the yard as well. All right? That's the last one. So most of these are a combination. This is not changing the amounts or anything like that is combining the work. So we have a motion to accept these regulations?

>> I would like to put forth a motion to accept these recommendations.

>> I will second.

>> knowledge is going to motion.

>> Is been moved to accept these with any particular items. And this SU D is separate, and that would go to Jake got I got it.

>> Is this what you were this is what you are proposing correct?

>> Yes it is thank you.

>> So before we take a vote again, I just want to say I would like language that clearly articulates that the policies and guiding principles in eligibility criteria and proper design will be as low barrier as possible. And not necessarily following harmful. And challenging policies from federal and state funds. I can support it without that.

>> I agree with that.

>> So I would like to amend the moving shin to add everything that vice chair Lewis stated, it is on the recording.

>> I you adding a family know?

>> Member Lewis wanted to add the amendments or.

>> You accept

>> I accept the friendly amendment.

>> I second.

>> The motion is to accept the items with the additional language of making sure that the barrier for the of this work is low barrier and it does not continue on the harmful practices that.