



Staff Report Item 14

TO: East Bay Community Energy Board of Directors
FROM: Nick Chaset, Chief Executive Officer
SUBJECT: CEO Report (Informational Item)
DATE: October 21, 2020

Recommendation

Accept Chief Executive Officer (CEO) report on update items below.

Executive Committee Meeting

The Executive Committee met on September 25, 2020 and were given a Regulatory/Legislative update and presentation on Brilliant 100 options for 2021. The members reviewed the Community Advisory Committee Guide and Appointment Process and made recommendations to staff. The final meeting for 2020 will be held on October 23, 2020 at 12 pm.

Finance, Administration and Procurement Subcommittee Meeting

The Finance, Administration and Procurement Subcommittee meeting was held on October 13, 2020. The subcommittee members received updates on the draft audit review, the Authority's Days Liquidity on Hand (DLOH) position, and bank interest rates. There is no subcommittee meeting scheduled for the month of November. The next meeting will be held on December 11, 2020 at 3 pm.

Marketing Regulatory and Legislative Subcommittee Meeting

The Marketing, Regulatory and Legislative Subcommittee met on October 1, 2020 and received updates from both the Marketing and Account Services Team and the Policy Team. The next subcommittee meeting will be held on Thursday November 5, 2020.

COVID-19 Community Grant Fund Update

In July, East Bay Community Energy issued a third-round solicitation to provide small grants to community-based organizations (CBOs) serving residents and/or businesses in EBCE's service area. Twenty local charitable organizations were allocated \$10,000 each, and an additional \$100,000 in grants were given to three workforce development organizations across Alameda County. The funds were allocated by EBCE's renewable energy development partners EDPR Renewables North America (developers of a 100MW solar + 30MW storage project in Fresno

County) provided \$275,000 and Clearway Energy Group (developers of a 112MW solar project in Kern County) provided \$25,000, following the \$225,000 they provided for the previous round of grants.

Marketing and Account Services Update

October Rate Updates

There were several small changes to the PG&E generation rate on certain rate tariffs that became effective October 1, 2020. Per previous board authorization and our standard process, staff made the appropriate modifications to EBCE generation rates to maintain the value proposition of 1% discount for Bright Choice and cost parity for Brilliant 100. Updated rates will be used starting Monday, October 19, 2020 with an effective date of October 1. Updated rate sheets will be posted to <https://ebce.org/rates/>.

Power Content Label Mailer

The Power Content Label mailer is typically sent to customers by October 1 each year. This year, the California Energy Commission pushed the deadline for the mailer to December 31. EBCE staff has been working on the design and content of the mailer and intends to send it out as both email and a physical mailer, depending on information on file for each customer. Staff currently plans to send out the PCL email/mailer in mid-November. This timing is after the election but before the Thanksgiving holiday. Below are the current drafts of the email and mailer.

Email

Supporting the East Bay with green power and local investment

Dear East Bay Community Energy customer:

We are proud to share our annual Power Content Label, which provides information about the mix of sources used to provide electricity service, as well as updates about our services. As you can see, we continue to save money for our customers, as well as invest in new renewable energy projects, offer program options, and support our community here in the East Bay.

Green Power

Helping speed the transition to local renewable energy: In January 2021, EBCE's wind farm near Livermore, shown here, will start producing up to 37.5 MW of renewable energy — enough to power about 30,000 homes per year.

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Lower Rates

East Bay customers saved \$8 million on their 2019 energy bills.

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Local Investments

We've been busy launching programs to help customers save energy and avoid power outages. The new Reconnect Home program lowers the cost of existing home solar panels and energy storage systems in the East Bay.

We put revenue back into East Bay communities by donating almost \$2 million to local non-profits for COVID-19 relief.

EBCE's Janel Bernardez at a mask distribution point in Oakland, giving a bowl of hundreds of masks to Laurie Goldman of East Bay FoodER, a volunteer-run local partner of World Central Kitchen.

RECIPIENTS INCLUDE:
 Alameda County Health System Foundation
 Meals on Wheels of Alameda County
 Alameda County Community Food Bank
 UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland

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Your Choice

Choose from our service plans or return to PG&E.

Renewable 100
100% California wind & solar power at a small premium.

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A small discount to PG&E rates.

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2018 Power Content Label

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Postcard

YOUR CHOICE

Choose from our service plans or return to PG&E. **Bright Choice** 100% California wind & solar power at a small premium. Visit ebce.org/service-plans-renewable

East Bay Community Energy - 2019 Power Content Label	Renewable 100	Bright Choice	2018 CA Power Mix
Eligible Renewable	100.0%	76.0%	69.9%
Renewable	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%
Coal	0.0%	0.0%	16.2%
Gas	0.0%	0.0%	52.4%
Nuclear	0.0%	0.0%	18.1%
Other	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%
Unspecified sources of power*	0.0%	0.0%	13.1%
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%

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GREEN POWER LOW RATES LOCAL INVESTMENT

HELPING SPEED THE TRANSITION TO LOCAL RENEWABLE ENERGY

550 MW of wind and solar power contracted.

150 MW of battery storage systems contracted.

LEARN MORE AT ebce.org/power-projects

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CEO Report

PRESENTED BY: Nick Chaset
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3rd Round COVID-19 Community Grantees

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COVID-19 Community Grantees

- Arsola's Distribution Center and Community Services
- Building Opportunities for Self-Sufficiency (BOSS)
- CityServe of the Tri-Valley
- Downtown Streets Team
- Eden United Church of Christ
- Family Resource Navigators
- Fred Finch Youth & Family Services
- Global Communication Education & Art (GCEA)
- Kitchen to Ward
(Affiliated to E Biz Solutions Inc.)
- La Clinica de La Raza, Inc
- Owing My Own Truth Inc.
- San Leandro Boys & Girls Club
- Senior Support Program
- Sister to Sister 2, Inc. dba Serenity House
- Tiburcio Vasquez Health Center
- Tri-City Volunteers Food Bank and Thrift Store
- Tri-Valley Haven for Women
- Trybe Inc.
- UCSF Benioff Children's Hospitals Foundation
- Viola Blythe Community Service Center

Organization	Cities Served	Description
<p>Arsola's Distribution Center and Community Services</p> <p>HQ: Oakland</p>	<p>Oakland</p>	<p>Arsola's Distribution Center and Community Services operates a food rescue and distribution center. Funds from this grant will be used over three months to pay two current .25 FTE staff, provide monthly flat-rate stipends to six long-time volunteers, contribute to weekly gas allowance for two vans to pick up food from grocery stores and markets, the cost of daily washing and sanitizing of the inside of two vans, and the purchase of plastic grocery bags.</p>
<p>Building Opportunities for Self-Sufficiency (BOSS)</p> <p>HQ: Berkeley</p>	<p>Berkeley, Hayward, Oakland</p>	<p>BOSS' mission is to help homeless, poor, and disabled people achieve health and self-sufficiency, and to fight against the root causes of poverty and homelessness. Funds from this grant will provide assistance to BOSS' homeless shelter residents (3 shelters: 1 each in Berkeley, Oakland, and Hayward), and assistance to residents who utilize BOSS's Oakland-based Neighborhood Impact Hub services. Relief will be provided in the form of rental assistance, food assistance (food giveaways when donated food is available, or referrals to food banks or meal programs); and other direct assistance as needed, including payment of overdue bills.</p>
<p>CityServe of the Tri-Valley</p> <p>HQ: Pleasanton</p>	<p>Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton</p>	<p>CityServe of the Tri-Valley is a crisis-stabilization direct-service non-profit that values creative solutions, quick responsiveness, and above all else, compassionate care for those in need here in the Tri-Valley communities. The grant will provide payments to cover the needs of low income families/individuals who are homeless or in need of emergency shelter (hotel nights or rent assistance to prevent eviction) as we connect them with below market housing or shelters that provide for longer-term coverage.</p>
<p>Downtown Streets Team (DST)</p> <p>HQ: Berkeley</p>	<p>Unincorporated Alameda County, Berkeley, Hayward, Oakland</p>	<p>DST builds inclusive communities that put people experiencing homelessness at the center of their own solutions: volunteer teams of unhoused individuals change perceptions of homelessness while cleaning up their community. Funds for this grant would support these efforts: in exchange for their volunteerism, Team Members receive case management, employment coaching, job placement, and basic needs assistance in the form of gift cards to grocery stores, pharmacies, gas stations, and third party checks for cell phones, storage, and rent. Peers manage their own volunteer teams which foster a community of support, motivation, hope and dignity, as they transition back to self-sufficiency from homelessness.</p>

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<p>Eden United Church of Christ</p> <p>HQ: Hayward</p>	<p>Unincorporated Alameda County, Hayward</p>	<p>Eden Church is a 155 old culturally diverse congregation located in the Eden Area of South Alameda County. In partnership with Alameda County Health Care Services Agency, they launched the first community-based Newcomer Navigation Center for asylum-seekers and recently arrived immigrants in 2020. Funds from this grant will be used to provide direct rent relief and support their food assistance program.</p>
<p>Family Resource Navigators</p> <p>HQ: San Leandro</p>	<p>Albany, Unincorporated Alameda County, Berkeley, Dublin, Emeryville, Fremont, Hayward, Livermore, Newark, Oakland</p>	<p>FRN is a parent to parent agency that serves families with children with developmental delays, special health care needs and disabilities. FRN primarily serves families who are eligible for MediCal. Funds will be used to provide mini grants of \$500 to families that have substantial unmet needs.</p>
<p>Fred Finch Youth & Family Services</p> <p>HQ: Oakland</p>	<p>Albany, Unincorporated Alameda County, Berkeley, Dublin, Emeryville, Fremont, Hayward, Livermore, Newark, Oakland, Piedmont, Pleasanton, San Leandro, Tracy, Union City</p>	<p>Fred Finch Youth & Family Services seeks to provide innovative, effective services supporting some of the most vulnerable populations in the Bay Area, including families that face poverty, violence and trauma; former foster youth and formerly incarcerated youth; children and youth with more than one emotional or intellectual diagnoses; and young people living with autism. These services include family services, mental health services, housing, young adult services, residential treatment, and education services. The funds will be used to provide general operating support and expand telehealth options.</p>
<p>Global Communication Education & Art (GCEA)</p> <p>HQ: Oakland</p>	<p>Albany, Unincorporated Alameda County, Berkeley, Emeryville, Fremont, Hayward, Newark, Oakland, San Leandro, Union City</p>	<p>GCEA's mission is to advocate, educate, empower, and train African immigrants and African American Communities in the Bay Area. GCEA will work with its established network of community partners to deliver food, aid, supplies, housing, and launch health education campaigns to help combat the pandemic and to support the East Bay's African immigrant community.</p>

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Kitchen to Ward (Affiliated to E Biz Solutions Inc.) HQ: Fremont	Dublin, Fremont, Hayward, Livermore, Newark, Oakland, Pleasanton, San Leandro, Union City	The organization, Kitchen to Ward (affiliated to E Biz Solutions Inc), is an online platform to simultaneously assist frontline healthcare workers and local restaurants in the COVID-19 situation. 100% of the funds will be used to purchase meals from local restaurants for frontline healthcare workers.
La Clinica de La Raza, Inc. HQ: Oakland	Oakland	At 35 service sites, La Clínica provides culturally and linguistically responsive care to more than 90,725 clients annually. La Clínica’s full range of services includes primary medical care, prenatal care, dental services, health education, vision, pharmacy, and behavioral health services. La Clínica plans to prioritize the use of funds for our newcomer patient population at Hawthorne School-Based Clinic (HSBC), one of La Clínica’s eight school-based health centers.
Owning My Own Truth Inc. HQ: Oakland	Hayward, Oakland, San Leandro, Unincorporated Alameda County	Owning My Own Truth is a cognitive behavior support open platform for mental and physical support. OMOT advocates self awareness through empowerment exercises and professional coaching for life skills. OMOT will use the funds to give stipends to professional facilitators as they guide community members through self awareness empowerment exercises, prepare covid-19 self care personal needs bags, buy gifts cards for personal items and meals, travel for groceries for families and safe travel taking seniors to covid-19 testing.
San Leandro Boys and Girls Club HQ: San Leandro	Hayward, San Leandro	Since 1947, the Club has served over 70,000 youth in the San Leandro, San Lorenzo, Ashland, and Cherryland communities in Southern Alameda County. The SLBGC serves 2,500 youth, primarily low-income, annually with academic, healthy lifestyles, character and citizenship, mentoring and Workforce Development Programs. Funding would be used to support our Club Mentoring and Leadership Program that provides a range of social-emotional support to teens enabling them to address the barriers to not only academic learning but also to functioning in society.

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<p>Senior Support Program</p> <p>HQ: Pleasanton</p>	<p>Dublin, Fremont, Hayward, Livermore, Pleasanton, San Leandro</p>	<p>Senior Support Program of the Tri-Valley's (SSPTV's) mission is to deliver free, comprehensive services and assistance to seniors aged 55 and older in the Tri-Valley (Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton, and surrounding areas) to foster independence, promote well-being, preserve dignity, and improve quality of life. Funds will be used to conduct bi-monthly Re-Assurance calls to approximately 200 home-bound seniors, weekly online and phone mental health counseling sessions for 50 or so seniors and bi-monthly food bag delivery to roughly 60 seniors with food security issues.</p>
<p>Sister to Sister 2, Inc. dba Serenity House</p> <p>HQ: Oakland</p>	<p>Oakland</p>	<p>Provides emergency shelter, transitional housing, rental assistance, food, counseling and job training to women who are survivors of domestic violence, homelessness, incarceration and addiction. Funds will be used to help clients pay rent and cover move-in costs for those currently in hotel rooms after being connected to housing opportunities.</p>
<p>Tiburcio Vasquez Health Center</p> <p>HQ: Hayward</p>	<p>Dublin, Hayward, San Leandro, Union City</p>	<p>Provides accessible, high quality health care to address health disparities among the County's most vulnerable and marginalized populations. Funds will be used to support their new food distribution program, including through the purchase of reusable grocery bags and PPE for food distribution staff.</p>
<p>Tri-City Volunteers Food Bank and Thrift Store</p> <p>HQ: Fremont</p>	<p>Fremont, Hayward, Newark, Pleasanton, San Leandro, Union City</p>	<p>Largest client-direct hunger relief organization in Alameda County. Distributes food and provides volunteer opportunities to improve the quality of life for low- and extremely low-income households. Funds will be used to cover losses from traditional funders (Safeway and Trader Joes) and additional costs incurred to create a COVID-safe food distribution system.</p>

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<p>Tri-Valley Haven for Women</p> <p>HQ: Livermore</p>	<p>Unincorporated Alameda County, Dublin, Hayward, Livermore, Pleasanton, Tracy</p>	<p>Serves homeless families and individuals, as well as people affected by poverty and victims of abuse in the East Bay for over 40 years. Funds will be used to provide healthy groceries to hundreds of at-risk families and individuals daily, as well as motel vouchers for homeless families and individuals.</p>
<p>Trybe Inc.</p> <p>HQ: Oakland</p>	<p>Unincorporated Alameda County, Berkeley, Hayward, Oakland, San Leandro</p>	<p>Works to build and nurture community, create safe gathering spaces and recreational activities for youth and families, revitalize and beautify neighborhoods by coordinating a range of programs and experiences. Funds will be used to purchase more food and supplies to meet growing demand and provide cash to households that need assistance with essential items, including housing (rent), household bills (electricity/water/garbage) and with school supplies.</p>
<p>UCSF Benioff Children’s Hospitals Foundation</p> <p>HQ: Oakland</p>	<p>Albany, Unincorporated Alameda County, Berkeley, Dublin, Emeryville, Fremont, Hayward, Livermore, Newark, Oakland, Piedmont, Pleasanton, San Leandro, Tracy, Union City</p>	<p>UCSF Benioff Children’s Hospital Oakland offers a broad range of inpatient, outpatient, and community programs. Although UCSF Benioff Oakland serves patients throughout Northern California and other states and counties, about 80% of our patients come from Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. Tragically, though, there are teens living in poverty with low income or no income at all. The severe housing shortage and skyrocketing rent increases put them at great risk of homelessness. Funds will enable Children Hospital staff to provide basic necessities to homeless teen patients upon discharge from the hospital.</p>
<p>Viola Blythe Community Service Center</p> <p>HQ: Newark</p>	<p>Fremont, Newark, Union City</p>	<p>The Viola Blythe Center has been in operation in Newark for more than 70 years. The last 30 years as a 501c3 non-profit organization. The Viola Blythe Center operates an emergency food and clothing pantry. They are a partner with the Alameda County Food Bank. The funds awarded through this program will be used to provide fresh meats, vegetables, rice and beans. In addition, the funds would be used to purchase and distribute face masks to each family or person we serve. Newark has a high infection rate of COVID-19 for our population and many of the at-risk include our clients.</p>

Workforce Development Grants [3]



Workforce Development Grantees

Tri-Valley Career Center at Chabot-Las Positas Community College District (TVCC)

- Funds will be used to build capacity to reach new COVID-impacted job seekers through the development of a new marketing plan, a Job Search Boot Camp, and a Boot Camp Refresher.

GRID Alternatives and Cypress Mandela

- Funds will be used to work with EBCE and Sunrun to train the local workforce needed to deploy solar and battery backup power systems through EBCE's Resilient Home program.