

CHECKING THE PULSE OF COMMUNITY HEALTH





# Message from the President and Executive Director



If you subscribe to the notion that knowledge equals opportunity, then we would submit that numerous agencies and nonprofit organizations across Eastern Riverside County are well positioned to go forth and seize the day. We can deliver such a bold statement simply because we have witnessed first hand how many people are using HARC (Health Assessment Resource Center) data to support their strategic planning and programmatic initiatives.



From human and social service charities, to health-oriented public agencies – even local media – executives are taking advantage of the information contained in HARC's groundbreaking Community Health Monitor, an in-depth look at the collective health of Eastern Riverside County. The interest and use of the data offers strong validation for the "one-stop-shop" concept envisioned by HARC's founders when the nonprofit group formed in 2006.

Now, four years later, preparations are well underway for the 2010 Monitor, set for release in early 2011. Check for updates to key baseline data from the 2007 edition, as well as new research on a variety of medical conditions affecting our population.

Another significant advance this year stems from the formation of our inaugural Honorary Board. This blue-ribbon panel, comprised of some of the County's most influential policy-makers and opinion leaders, will ensure HARC goals remain aligned with communities throughout our region. We are pleased to welcome these accomplished, well-respected individuals, and look forward to their leadership.

While we have gone to considerable lengths to help people access our user friendly data both on the web (www.harcdata.org) and in print, we also recognize some folks may be intimidated by the depth of information. Some may only need a simple factoid or data snapshot to strengthen a proposal, or complete a research project.

We've got an easy solution: Pick up the phone and call us. We'll provide the data for you and, hopefully, show you just how easy it is to find the information you need.

Chances are, it's in there. All that's missing is you.

Sincerely,

Glen Grayman, MD, MBA, CPE, FACEP

President of the Board

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Eileen Packer, RD, CAE

**Executive Director** 

# **Milestones**

In many respects the 2008-2009 reporting period proved to be a "coming of age" year for HARC, as the organization achieved significant traction in pursuit of its goals. Among the milestones:

- Developed the 2010 adult and child survey instruments through HARC-facilitated discussions between the Steering Committee and relevant ad hoc groups.
- Communicated organization's progress to the region through first Annual Report.
- Provided continuously updated, relevant content for HARC web site.
- Produced detailed analysis of 2007 data for interested stakeholders.
- Met with civic groups, business leaders, elected officials and staff, public agency representatives, nonprofit executives, and the media to offer custom analysis of the 2007 Community Health Monitor.
- Participated in discussion forums as a member of the Eastern Coachella Valley Social Change Collaborative HIV Task Force.
- Joined California Endowment's Building Healthy Communities Coachella collaborative.
- Launched multi-faceted program to increase compensated usage of HARC data among clients and interested partners.
- Prepared plan for moving HARC to a new, permanent headquarters office.
- Partnered with CSUSB-Palm Desert Campus Business and Finance Students on a pilot marketing program focused on growing HARC.
- Continued member support of the Coachella Valley Health Collaborative Advisory Council.



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# **HARC Today**

Through dedicated outreach and education, HARC has become Eastern Riverside County's go-to source for community health and wellness data. Organizations focused on community health issues can use HARC data in any number of ways to facilitate better decision-making. Among the applications:

Program Development Healthcare Access Funding Service Utilization Policy Guidelines Community Planning Organizational Learning

HARC offers clients a comprehensive research menu. The mix includes:

## Standard Research/Data Services

## Community Health Monitor Survey

Tri-annual random-digit-dial telephone health survey of more than three thousand households in Eastern Riverside County.

# Community Health Monitor Cluster Analysis

Retrieval and analysis of health data from *Community Health Monitor* focusing on one or more particular population segments.

# Community Health Monitor Over-Sampling

Increased surveying of a particular community or population to support more robust statistical analysis.

# Research Planning and Development

Multi-modal workshop series that supports organizational development through demonstrated uses for the *Community Health Monitor*, as well as health data obtained from secondary research sources.

#### Custom Research Services

## Client Program Evaluations

Process and outcome evaluations to ensure that client programs are designed and structured to achieve organizational goals.

#### Issue Research

Designing telephone, mail, in-person, and online surveys to collect both qualitative and quantitative data.

#### Survey Management

Selecting contractors for independent third-party research initiatives and supervising all aspects of survey design, implementation and results.

HARC operates as a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization, funded in part by contributions from community partners, as well as entities who contract with the agency for customized public health research. The Palm Desert-based organization formed in 2006, when a consortium of more than 30 public and private healthcare agencies in Eastern Riverside County, including the Palm Desert campuses of California State University San Bernardino and the University of California Riverside, joined together to improve community health and wellness.

# **HARC In Action**



"HARC's Community Health Monitor provides critically important data to support our funding requests. Their research has played a pivotal role in helping Gilda's Club to continue providing free psychosocial and emotional support for anyone living with cancer."

Paula Kennedy
Executive Director
Gilda's Club. Desert Cities

Paula Kennedy, Gilda's Club Desert Cities Executive Director, at their Cathedral City headquarters.

"The City of Indio has benefited greatly from our partnership with HARC.

During the creation of the Indio Senior Master Plan, our committee used the findings of their oversampling to quantify local health needs. We found the data invaluable."

David Ison Human Services Manager City of Indio



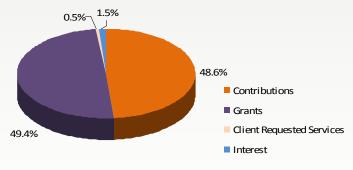
City of Indio Human Services Manager David Ison, pictured near the entrance of the Indio Senior Center.

# **Financial Summary 2009**

Audited Condensed Statements of Financial Position For the Fiscal Year Ending June, 2009

	2008 - 2009	2007 - 2008
Current Assets	\$723,354	\$435,923
Property and Equipment – Net	12,942	5,649
Total Assets	\$736,296	\$441,572
Current Liabilities	\$514,746	\$196,381
Long-Term Liabilities	33,333	100,000
Total Liabilities	\$548,079	\$296,381
Net Assets	\$188,217	\$145,191
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	\$736,296	\$441,572
Revenues		
Contributions	\$162,452	\$215,432
Grants	165,000	210,475
Client Requested Services	1,800	9,834
Interest	5,068	5,855
Total Revenues	\$334,320	\$441,596
Expenses		
Program/Services	\$237,465	\$306,787
Management and General	23,416	36,089
Fundraising	<u>30,413</u>	<u> 18,046</u>
Total Expenses	\$291,294	\$360,922
Summary		
Increase in Net Assets	\$43,026	\$80,674
Net Assets at End of Year	\$188,217	\$145,191

# Revenues 2009





# **Board of Directors, Honorary Board, Funding Partners, Steering Committee**

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# **Board Officers** and Steering Committee

#### President

Glen Grayman, MD, MBA, CPE, FACEP *President, Desert Healthcare District* 

#### Vice President

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Legislative Assistant to Marion Ashley County of Riverside

## Secretary

Sarah Mack, MPH

Deputy Director/Public Health

County of Riverside

# **Board Members and Steering Committee**

Michael Appelhans, General Counsel, Eisenhower Medical Center

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Dean, CSUSB - Palm Desert Campus

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Public Affairs Representative Kaiser Foundation Health Plan Wayne Soucy, CHE

President/Chief Executive Officer California Health Advocates

Karolee M. Sowle, FACHE *Chief Executive Officer*,

Desert Regional Medical Center

Aurora Wilson

Director of Community of Community Resources Coachella Valley Association of

Governments

## **Honorary Board**

Marion Ashley County of Riverside, Supervisor, 5th District

John J. Benoit

State Senator, 37th District

Eric Frykman, MD, MPH, MBA

County of Riverside, Community Health Agency,

Director/Public Health Officer

Phyllis Guze, MD *Acting Vice Chancellor*,

Dean, School of Medicine, UCR

Albert Karnig, PhD President, CSUSB Mary Bono Mack

Congresswoman, 54th District

Denise Moreno Ducheny State Senator, 40th District

Brian Nestande

Assemblyman, 64th District

Manuel Perez, EdM

Assemblyman, 80th District

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Chief of Staff, JFK Ralph Steiger, MD

President Medical Staff, Desert Regional Medical Center

Robert Waterbor, MD, FACP

President Medical Staff, Eisenhower Medical Center

Timothy P. White, PhD *Chancellor of UCR* 

# **Funding Partners**

Board of Supervisors,

4th District, County of Riverside

California Endowment

California Wellness Foundation

Desert Healthcare District

Desert Oasis Healthcare Medical Group

Desert Regional Medical Center

Eisenhower Medical Center

John F. Kennedy Memorial Hospital

Regional Access Project Foundation

Riverside County Department of

Mental Health

Robert and Cheryl Fey Donor Advised Community Fund at The Community Foundation, Serving Riverside and

San Bernardino Counties

## **Steering Committee**

Boys & Girls Club of Desert Hot Springs Collette Wood, Executive Director City of Indio

David Ison, Human Services Manager Coachella Valley Unified School District-Children's Family Services

Jim Greene, Director

Comprehensive Cancer Center Teresa Whipple, CPA,

Executive Director

County of Riverside, 4th District
Elizabeth Romero Toledo

Elizabeth Romero Toledo Supervisor's Board Asstistant

Desert Aids Project Peter DeMartino, PhD

Development Associate

Desert Healthcare District Lenny Pepper, CEO

Desert Regional Medical Center
Cliff Daniels, Associate Administrator
of Business Development

Desert Sands Unified School District
Sharon McGehee, Superintendent
Eastern Coachella Valley Social
Change Collaborative
Mirna Flores, Member

Eisenhower Medical Center Foundation
Betty Wolf, Executive Director

First 5 Riverside
Harry Freedman, Executive Director
Inland Empire Health Plan

Gary Melton, Dir. of Health Services
Jewish Family Service of the Desert

Dan Bass, LCSW, Executive Director Palm Desert City Council

Jean M. Benson, Councilmember Regional Access Project Foundation Jan Pye, Account Analyst

Riverside County Department of Mental Health

David Lundquist, PhD Desert Regional Manager Riverside County Department of Public Health

Wendy Betancourt, MPH Public Health Program Chief II

Riverside County Medical Association

S. Ava Mahapatra, MD, Past President Riverside County Nutrition Services

Gayle Hoxter, MPH, RD Chief of Nutrition Services

Riverside County Office on Aging
Ed Walsh, Director

SafeHouse of the Desert

Kathy McAdara, Excutive Director University of California, Riverside-

Palm Desert Campus

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Medical School Initiative

United Way of the Desert

Kimberly Starrs-Pennington

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# **Mission Statement**

Dedicated to providing objective, reliable research, analysis and technical services to communities in order to facilitate better decision making regarding health and quality of life.

# **HARC Staff**

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Mary Young Executive Assistant