



ESG Grant Presentation: Caridad – Caridad Gardens Housing Program \$50,000

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## Introduction

The Caridad Gardens Housing Program provides Rapid Rehousing at Caridad's property Hebron, a low-income 125-unit property at 1150 Las Vegas Blvd South. Caridad has reserved units for this program and has created a master lease on these units. Caridad will use market surveys to establish comparable rental rates at Hebron for similar units. All units are fully furnished, include utilities and access to onsite food pantry services. Caridad staff at Hebron does onsite inspections to ensure code compliance. Residents in the program are case managed towards self sufficiency to pay their own rent but Caridad acknowledges that some chronically homeless may need rent subsidies for life. Each client's case will be based on their own personal goals and rent subsidies will be extended during the time of the one year reporting period of the ESG cycle. If the client meets case management weekly check ins and is continuing to work with Caridad staff they will be allowed \$848 per month in rental assistance for a total of \$25,440 (5 participants @ FMR rate Studio rate of \$848 for 6 months of total assistance).

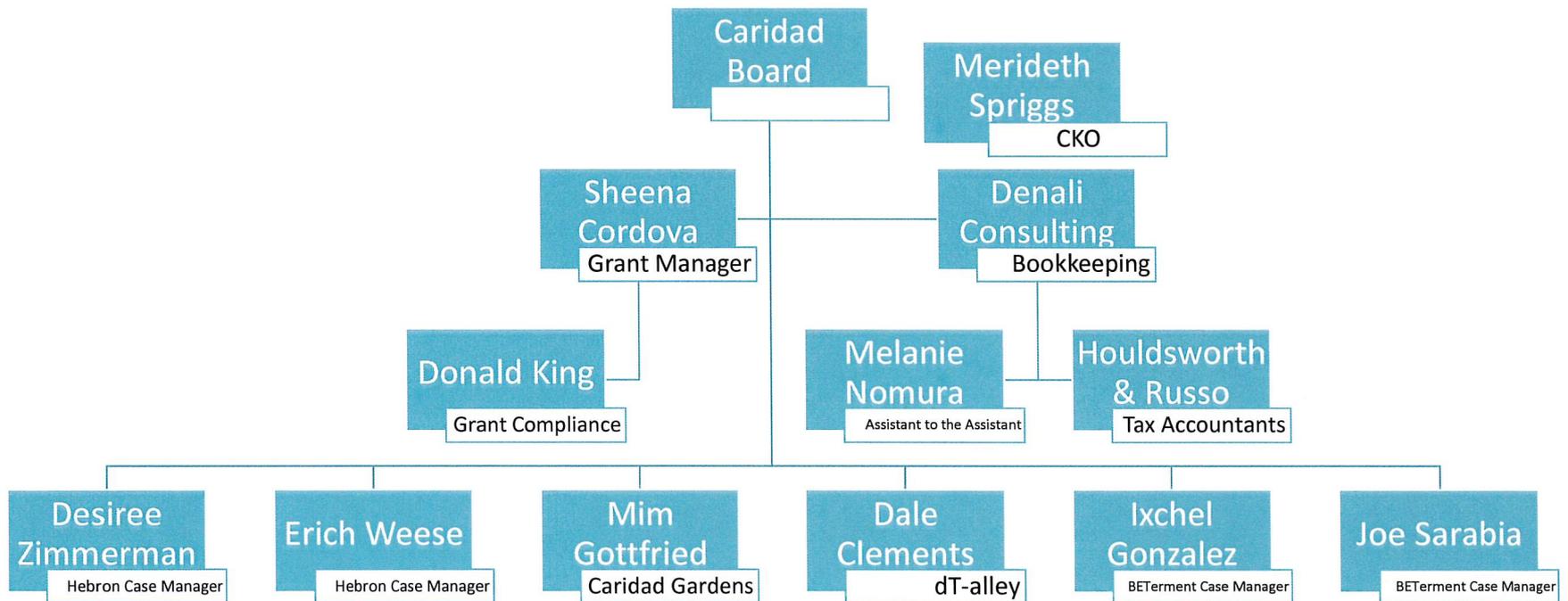
## Mission

Humanizing the homeless.



Hebron hosted the 2022 Southern Nevada Homeless Vigil. Clients in the ESG program serve on committees and were responsible for set up and tear down for the event.

# 2023 Organizational Chart



## Outcomes (Goals)

- Caridad will measure outcomes in HMIS individuals.
- Caridad will take referrals from LVMPD and Outreach agencies for the program.
- Caridad will do quarterly program satisfaction survey
- Caridad will assign case managers to each individual to ensure housing stability.
- Caridad will do monthly meetings with referral partners to ensure a smooth intake process



## Progress To Date (July 1, 2022- March 27, 2023)

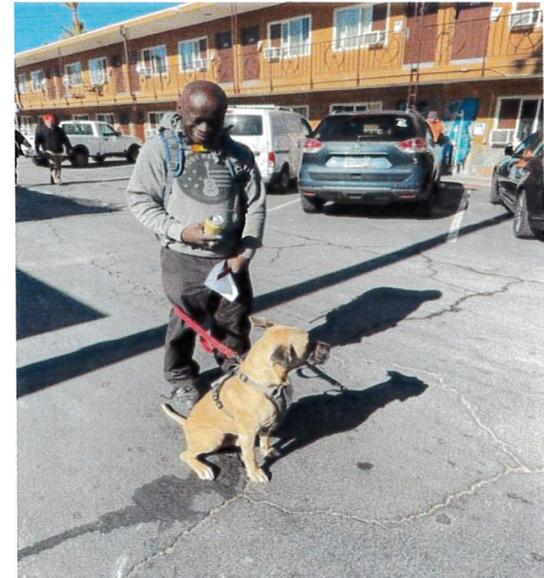
- Caridad has assisted 20 individuals with ESG Funds
- Caridad has taken referrals for LVMPD, Straight from the Streets, Anthem, Help of Southern Nevada, US Vets, Salvation Army and Street Dogz for ESG rooms and discounted rentals at Hebron
- Caridad is currently doing a satisfaction survey conducted by Hebron Community Leadership
- Each client receiving ESG funds has an assigned case manager whom they must check in with weekly to work on their case plan and goals.
- Caridad does weekly and in some cases daily check in with partners to ensure the success of clients.



Hebron volunteers and staff help move a large donation of flooring for new tenants. All clients living at Hebron receiving ESG funds are encouraged to get involved in the community.

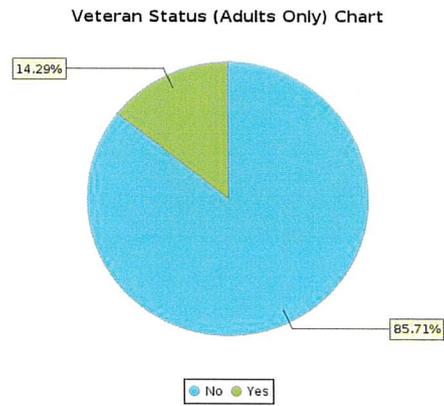
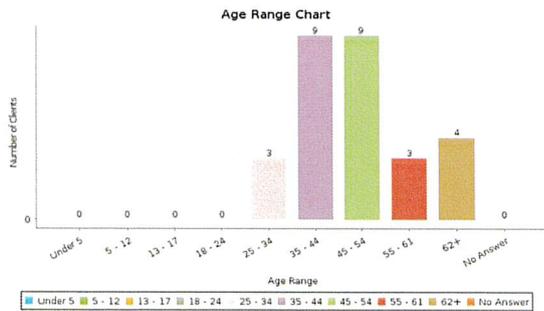
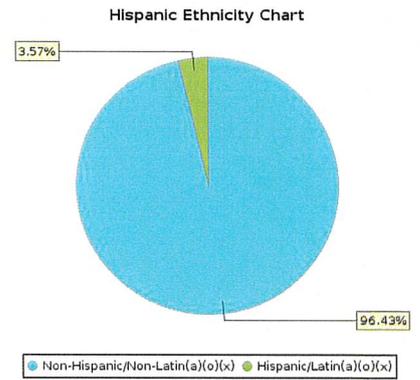
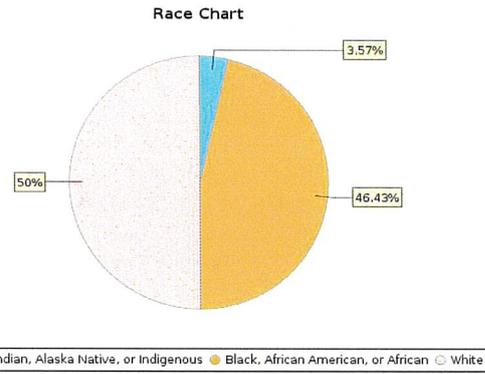
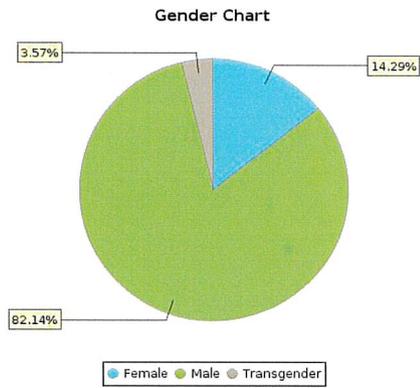
## Difficulties in Reaching Goals/Reporting

- Worker shortage caused issues in staffing every position and third party bookkeeping in December 2022.
- Gang activity has increased in downtown as turf wars continue the dT-alley team works with Metro to cover up gang tagging
- Cleaning up and requiring tenants to be involved in community has caused a decrease in prostitution and drugs purchased on the block. As a result Caridad's CKO has had a gun pulled on her and been assaulted in retaliation
- The property at 1150 Las Vegas Blvd South, Hebron was built in 1963. Little to no repairs have been made since that time and a little over \$10,000 has come through for repairs. The repairs needed at Hebron have come to over \$230,000 so at times room repairs and move-ins are stalled based on funding or donations.



James was introduced to Caridad staff when he came to get food at the Hebron food pantry. Today James and his dog Moses work security and will be moving into a new unit of his own thanks to the VA and Salvation Army.

# Client Demographics



dT-alley Ambassador Program– CDBG	Amount Approved	Remaining Funds
Salary & Fringe: COO-Grand Administrator	\$5,075.27	\$0
Salary & Fringe: Case Manger	\$4,729.73	\$995.63
Rental Assistance	\$25,440	\$0
Security Deposits	\$8,480	\$7,730
Application Fees	\$3,775	\$3,775.00
Moving Costs	\$2,500	\$2,200
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$50,000</b>	<b>\$14,700.63</b>

## Client Highlight: Cai

- Patrick “Cai” was referred to the ESG program by Straight from the Streets in December 2022.
- Due to struggles she was unable to keep employment. With funds from ESG Cai has been able to stabilize and work on herself.
- With the help of the VA, Straight from the Streets and Caridad Cai has been able to work on sharing custody of her son and continue to work on establishing her benefits at the VA.



US Navy Veteran Cai at Hebron filming a thank you video for all the agencies that helped her be successful.