

**CITY MANAGER
STEVE BLANCARTE**



January 14, 2004

**Mr. Mitchell Netburn, Executive Director
Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority
548 S. Spring Street, Suite 400
Los Angeles, CA 90013**

Dear Mr. Mitchell

Thank you for your letter dated December 29, 2003, regarding homeless residents in Irwindale. With a small population of 1492 residents, we do not handle homeless services directly. Our Police Department's contact with homeless individuals is minimal and when it does occur, it is primarily within the Los Angeles County Santa Fe Dam area.

In order to support our region, our City Council allocated \$5,000 in funding to the Citrus Valley Health Foundation to address homeless issues in the East San Gabriel Valley.

Attached is additional information on this action which is a very generous per capita funding considering the small population of our city.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (626) 430-2217.

Sincerely,

**Steve Blancarte
City Manager**

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COUNCIL AGENDA
ITEM 15
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AGENDA REPORT

Date: February 20, 2003

To: Mayor and Council Members

From: Steve Blancarte, City Manager

Issue: Resolution Appropriating Funds to Support Effort to End Homelessness in the San Gabriel Valley

City Manager's Recommendation:

Approve **Resolution No. 2003-13-1878**, entitled "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000 TO SUPPORT THE EFFORT TO END HOMLESSNESS IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY"

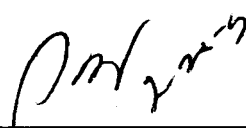
Analysis:

At the past direction of City Council, staff has been researching our homeless issue. The East San Gabriel Valley Consortium on Homelessness is spearheading efforts to generate local support to address the homeless issues in the San Gabriel Valley. While the City of Irwindale has few, if any, homeless persons within our City limits, the City would like to partner with other organizations and cities to support the region's efforts to address the increasing problem of homelessness. The Citrus Valley Health Foundation (CVHF), a non-profit philanthropic arm of the non-profit Citrus Valley Health Partners, saw the community need to address the homeless issues in the East San Gabriel Valley and continues to be successful in various grants and program activities. The City of Covina has been leading the efforts in our region. Staff recommends supporting the regional effort by contributing \$5,000 to this organization.

Fiscal Impact: (Initial of CFO)

Legal Impact: (Initial of Legal Counsel)

Prepared By/Contact Person: Camille Diaz, Assistant City Manager



Steve Blancarte, City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-13-1878

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF IRWINDALE
APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000
TO SUPPORT THE EFFORT
TO END HOMELESSNESS IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY**

WHEREAS, the San Gabriel Valley is comprised of thirty-one cities and fourteen unincorporated communities and is populated by 1.68 million people; and

WHEREAS, the City of Irwindale, population 1,446, is located in the East San Gabriel Valley; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that on any given day, over 1,500 persons in the East San Gabriel Valley are homeless; and

WHEREAS, two trends are largely responsible for the rise in homelessness over the past 20 years: a growing shortage of affordable rental housing and simultaneous increase in poverty; and

WHEREAS, other factors contributing to the increase in homelessness are eroding work opportunities, decline in public assistance, lack of affordable health care, domestic violence, mental illness and addiction disorders; and

WHEREAS, the City of Irwindale recognizes the growing problem of homelessness and would like to assist the effort to end homelessness in the East San Gabriel Valley; and

WHEREAS, Citrus Valley Health Foundation (CVHF), a non-profit philanthropic arm of the non-profit Citrus Valley Health Partners, saw the community need to address the homeless issues in the East San Gabriel Valley and continues to be successful in various grant and program activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Irwindale, California, resolves, determines and orders as follows:

- 1 That \$5,000 from the General Fund unencumbered balance be appropriated to the Citrus Valley Health Foundation for the homeless project.
2. This resolution shall be effective upon adoption

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 27th day of February 2003.

Mark A. Breceda, Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda J. Kimbro, CMC
Deputy City Clerk

I, Linda J. Kimbro, Deputy City Clerk of the City of Irwindale, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2003-13-1878 was duly and regularly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Irwindale at its regular meeting held on the 27th day of February 2003, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers:

NOES: Councilmembers:

ABSENT: Councilmembers:

ABSTAIN: Councilmembers:

Linda Kimbro, CMC
Deputy City Clerk