



## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Requested Board Meeting Date: 5/2/2023

\* = Mandatory, information must be provided

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**\*Title:**

Agenda Item – Discussion/Action on the Pima County Attorney's Office request to utilize Anti-Racketeering Revolving Funds to fund ongoing work by The Haven

**\*Introduction/Background:**

Funds are requested in the amount of \$5,000.00 for repairing and updating the Weigel Recovery House (operated by The Haven), which will serve Indigenous women in an Intensive Outpatient Program facility with particular focus on providing culturally supportive and focused recovery and treatment.

**\*Discussion:**

The Haven provides substance use treatment and recovery programs to low-income (AHCCCS eligible) and vulnerable women from Indigenous communities, nearly 70% of whom are involved at some stage of the justice system. The Haven is in process of repairing and updating their Intensive Outpatient facility in order to expand their programs to include culturally significant ceremonies, traditions, and settings as a way to further support their clients by anchoring their clients' recovery and treatment in culturally relevant and connected ways.

**\*Conclusion:**

The Haven and its programs are a vital element in the treatment and recovery of individuals struggling with substance use, many of whom arrive at The Haven directly from jail or incarceration. These culturally anchored programs are unique in Pima County and essential to supporting those in our community struggling to re-enter society following substance use treatment.

**\*Recommendation:**

Approve the funding request in the amount of \$5,000.00 for repairs and renovation of Weigel Recovery House.

**\*Fiscal Impact:**

TOTAL IMPACT: \$620 (paint), 3,850 (cabinets/flooring), \$530 (furnishings).

**\*Board of Supervisor District:**

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Telephone: 520-724-5700

Contact: Chief Civil Deputy Sam Brown

Telephone: 520-724-5700

Department Director Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 4/14/23

Deputy County Administrator Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

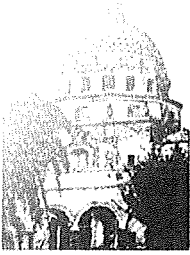
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County Administrator Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Pima County Attorney's Office

### ARF Applicant Information Form

Once completed, please send this form and your ARF application to:

Patrick Robles, PCAO Community Outreach Coordinator, [ARFRequest@pcao.pima.gov](mailto:ARFRequest@pcao.pima.gov)

Name of agency/organization The Haven

Address

1107 E Adelaide Dr

Tucson, AZ 85719

Mailing (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person Emilia Honkasaari Title Communications and Development Director

Contact person \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (520) 623-4590 x 148 Email emiliahonkasaari@thehaventucson.org

Is your agency/organization a: Previous ARF applicant ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_

Previous ARF grantee ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_

Current ARF grantee ☐ Yes ☒ No

**Community Organization Application  
For Funding Assistance From Pima County Anti-Racketeering Funds (ARF)**

Community Organization <u>The Haven</u>	
Executive Director/Agency Head <u>Aimee Graves</u>	
Law Enforcement Agency _____	
Date <u>3/9/2023</u>	Amount Requested <u>\$5,000</u>

The Pima County Anti-Racketeering Revolving Fund has been created by forfeiture of property that constituted the proceeds of crime or that was used or intended to be used to commit crime. **Use of the funds is restricted to law enforcement purposes**, however transfers to community-based programs, whose missions are supportive of and consistent with a **law enforcement** effort, policy, or initiative are permitted.

**NOTE: A program may benefit the community generally, but still not qualify for Pima County Anti-Racketeering Revolving Fund funds.** To qualify, a program must specifically involve law enforcement personnel or otherwise include specific content which extends or enhances the efforts of law enforcement in the community, such as assisting victims of crime, preventing crime including by providing programs for at-risk youth, deterring crime, rehabilitation of offenders, emergency response by law enforcement, protecting people and property from crime, reducing the effects of crime, etc.

Describe the community-based program for which funds are being sought and how the program benefits the community:

Since 1970, The Haven has offered an effective approach to substance use recovery specifically for women. This was groundbreaking in the 1970's, and The Haven is still one of the only substance use treatment programs in Southern Arizona tailored specifically for women. Because 7 in 10 women in recovery are mothers, The Haven approaches the process of healing from substance use disorder with a goal to reunite families, rebuild communities, and strengthen the mother/child bond. On average, 70% of our clients are involved with the justice system and our programs support the efforts of the local law enforcement to deter crime and rehabilitate offenders. The Haven works closely with the Pima County Drug Court, Arizona Superior Court Pretrial Services, and Pima County Adult Probation Department. The Haven has both Residential and Intensive Outpatient Programs that offer individual therapy and

Specifically, what law enforcement effort, policy, and/or initiative of this agency does this program support in this community?

The Pima County Attorney's Office funding priorities for this grant cycle are initiatives that focus on second chance or vulnerable population housing and initiatives that focus on overdose prevention and Narcan distribution. The Haven's Residential Program and Intensive Outpatient Program with Recovery Housing offer vulnerable individuals safe housing and efficient substance use treatment so that they can heal from substance use, reenter the community, rejoin the workforce, and find stable housing. Our programs place a strong emphasis on relapse and overdose prevention and the clients receive Narcan when they graduate from the program. Having access to safe housing, evidence-based programming, and supportive recovery coaches gives the justice-involved clients a better chance of reentering the community successfully.

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Describe in detail how this program is supportive of and consistent with this law enforcement agency's efforts, policies, and/or initiatives in the community. What elements of the program specifically enhance or extend the efforts of law enforcement in the community, and how does the program do this?

Pima County is witnessing an increase of substance use and overdoses especially related to fentanyl. The county is focusing efforts on education, harm reduction, and Narcan distribution, and there is a lot of work to be done. The Haven supports these efforts by providing effective substance use treatment specifically for women who are involved with the justice system. Many women face barriers of entry to treatment because they are mothers and don't know who would take care of their children while they receive treatment. That's why The Haven lets women bring their young children under the age of 4 to live with them and older children can visit their mothers during the weekend visitation hours. The Haven provides the young children food, clothing, and diapers, and helps to enroll them in daycare free of charge so their mothers can work on recovery and addressing social determinants of health such as poverty, having witnessed crime and violence, an involvement with the justice system. The Haven works closely with the Pima County Drug Court and has a good working relationship and referral system also with Arizona Superior Court Pretrial Services and Pima County Adult Probation. ■

As specifically as possible, please indicate how the funds requested will be used by this program (that is, to purchase supplies, equipment, and/or services; covering costs of participants or attendees; etc. **Direct cash transfers or gifts are not permitted**):

While clients attend the Intensive Outpatient Program they live in either housing provided by The Haven, free of charge, or in the community. Many clients prefer staying in our Recovery Housing because they have been homeless or incarcerated and don't have access to permanent housing. The Haven does not charge clients for the housing because we recognize how important it is to have a safe and supportive place to live while clients are in the early stages of recovery. However, our properties are several decades old and require continuous maintenance. We're currently in the process of repairing and updating our Weigel Recovery House. This Recovery House will be designated specifically for our Indigenous clients. We already offer specific Native Ways housing in our Residential Program and are thrilled to start offering that in the Intensive Outpatient Program. Our Indigenous clients report that they feel more comfortable and supported in an environment where others understand their culture and history. The funds requested would help us to paint the building from the outside and inside, redo the kitchen and flooring, and replace all the furniture, including beds, couches, ■

Please describe how your initiative will directly assist people from underserved communities and/or those who have been marginalized by a conviction history:

The Haven serves low-income population and vulnerable individuals. Many of our clients are experiencing homelessness or have been incarcerated. On average, 70% of our clients are involved with the justice system. The clients might come to The Haven straight from jail or prison with very limited personal belongings. The Haven offers these clients and their families a second chance to heal from substance use and reenter the community. Clients of The Haven qualify for AHCCCS, which equates to an income of just \$2,533 a month for a family of 3, and are experiencing poverty at the time of their enrollment.

Furthermore, The Haven serves Indigenous clients who have struggled to find spaces in which they feel whole and respected in 'traditional' substance use disorder programming. Our Native Ways Program was developed by, and is staffed with, professionals with backgrounds in the local Indigenous cultures and includes the teachings of the White Bison Wellbriety Movement. The Haven brings in highly respected experts from the Indigenous community to engage women in drumming circles, smudging, Native crafts, blessings, counseling and healing, and traditional ceremonies.

Item	Cost
Exterior paint	\$ 350
Interior paint	\$ 270
Kitchen cabinets	\$ 2,000
Flooring	\$ 1,850
Second-hand furniture	\$ 530
Total	\$ 5,000

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### Certification by Community Organization Applicant

Applicants for funds must certify in writing the following aspects of its background and compliance with Arizona and federal law and Department of Justice guidelines:

**I, the undersigned head of the applicant entity, certify that:**

	Yes	No
A. Applicant is a state, county, or local government department or agency; or applicant is a private, non-profit 501(c)(3) or (4) organization. Tax I.D. Number: <u>237112026</u>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
B. Applicant is primarily engaged in providing a program that is both community-based and supportive of and consistent with a law enforcement effort, policy, or initiative.	✓	—
C. Applicant agrees to account separately for all anti-racketeering funds received.	✓	—
D. Applicant agrees to utilize and apply standard accounting requirements and practices employed under state or local law for recipients of federal, state, or local funds and to provide documentation for any audit that may be performed by a governmental entity authorized to audit the use of such funds.	✓	—
E. Applicant is in compliance with federal civil rights laws.	✓	—
F. Applicant is in compliance with all other Arizona and federal laws that apply to applicant.	✓	—
G. No officer, director, trustee, or fiduciary of the applicant has been convicted of a felony offense under federal or state law, or convicted of any drug offense.	✓	—
H. Applicant agrees not to use funds for personal or political purposes.	✓	—
I. Applicant agrees that funds will not be used for any purpose that would constitute an improper or illegal use under the laws, rules, regulations, or orders of the state or local jurisdiction in which the applicant is located.	✓	—

Aimee Graves

Print Name of Requesting Agency  
Director

Aimee Graves

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Signature of Requesting Agency  
Director

I have reviewed the foregoing request, and based on the organization's certifications and the information provided by the organization, the recipient of the funds is a qualified entity and the program for which funds are sought is consistent with and supportive of a

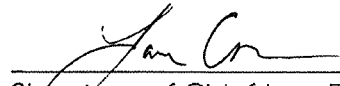
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law enforcement effort, policy, and/or initiative of this agency. (If the funding is to be from DOJ equitable sharing sources, all additional requirements for use of such funds have also been fulfilled; Treasury funds may not be used for support of community-based programs.)

Laura Conover

Print Name of Chief Law  
Enforcement Officer

Date 3/15/2023

  
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Signature of Chief Law Enforcement  
Officer