

# American Rescue Plan Act Task Force on 2023-01-19 9:00 AM - HYBRID MEETING

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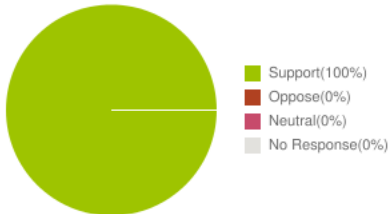
## eComments Report

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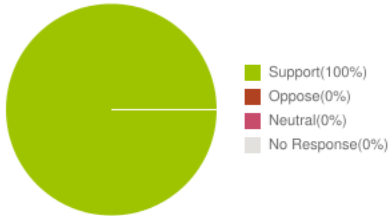
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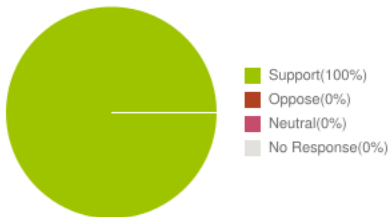
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### LeeZa Ong

Location:

Submitted At: 6:42pm 01-18-23

We are an interdisciplinary, cross universities group aiming to address mental health and healthcare accessibility for the most socially vulnerable populations in Milwaukee. We are currently partnered with the City of Milwaukee Health Department (MHD), Wisconsin Association of Free and Charitable Clinics (WAFCC), and City on a Hill to gain knowledge on effectiveness and satisfaction of young adults with telehealth and mental health access. Our objectives align with City on a Hill's project goal to increase the mental and behavioral health provider access by implementing an inclusive, responsive, and accessible telehealth/mental health plan. With the proposed funding

by the City on a Hill, it will allow the partnership between the City on a Hill and the universities to mobilize and coordinate our actions effectively and to better serve our communities.

Team members: Julie Bonner, MD (Marquette University), Hobart Davies, PhD (UW-Milwaukee, Psychology), Stacey Lerret PhD, RN, CPNP-AC/PC, CCTC, FAAN (MCW/Marquette University, Nursing), Lee Za Ong, PhD (Marquette University, Counseling).

### **Liliana Salcido**

Location:

Submitted At: 2:10pm 01-18-23

City on a Hill

#### Health Services Statement:

We provide an array of services at City on a Hill; this allows our health staff to connect with people from all walks of life: the homeless, displaced, single parents, those recently incarcerated and those suffering from chronic illness. We connect through a variety of services and during our interactions with community members, many stories of accumulated stress arise along with stories of generational trauma. Patients may seem disgruntled or dysregulated, and it usually takes extra effort to help them work through current issues. Most often, it can take multiple interactions to see small changes, but our community is resilient. In addition, members continue to face trials of institutional racism and medical mistrust. The residue from this can affect the mental health of our patients and impede on their ability to function through everyday tasks. Staff work diligently to break down these barriers by building trust with patients and helping them explore safe avenues to reliable behavioral health services. These services include options for uninsured and insured individuals to obtain virtual 1:1 counseling/therapy visits with a mental health provider of color who is relatable, has experience going through the system and can connect with patients in a very unique way. We have had several testimonies from patients who even after one visit felt a weight being lifted from them. Most clients return for additional sessions, which means progress and work is still to be done. -Liliana Salcido/Health Services Manager

#### L. Lindsey -Behavioral Health Client

"I've been attending therapy sessions for a month and a week. It's making me stronger and motivating me 101%, feel better after I attend sessions. I haven't had a drink in 27 days, sleeping now, eating better. I got rid of some of my old friends because they want to drink all day. I was close to giving up, now I feel extremely blessed. I would recommend these sessions to everyone."

#### K. Lewis -Behavioral Health Client

"The sessions were not what I expected. It was like talking to a friend and exactly what I needed."

#### D. Reed - Behavioral Health Client

I really enjoy talking with the therapist, it's important to do things for yourself and talk your feelings out."

#### K. Hart – Behavioral Health Client

"It feels like I was talking with a friend"

#### Youth & Family Services Statement:

Resilience Trainings - Our family Engagement events gather community members for 1-hour teachings on stress relief, boundaries setting, building compassion for themselves and more. These sessions are held every Saturday throughout the summer and provide a safe place to learn about mental/emotional healing. Our parent cohort invites 24 parents and care givers to meet weekly throughout the school year and go deeper into each topic. – Lisa Gonzalez/Youth Development Manager

"Parent Cohort is group therapy. I look forward to it every week. Most weeks it can't come fast enough." – L. Delion

"I was nervous to come because men, black men in particular, don't really have spaces to talk. We bottle everything up and then people don't get why we shut down or go crazy. Coming to City on a Hill has felt like a

huge weight has been lifted off me. I learn from the teachers, but the group teaches me a lot too.” – Mr. Summersville

“ I am going through a real tough time right now. Staying in a shelter and trying to raise 3 kids on my own. To be honest I am tired of being strong. Parent Cohort has given me a place to be me. I can let me guard down, be real, and everyone around the circle can relate to going through hard times. Some of the people are farther out and give good advice, others are in the same place as me and we help each other from complaining and work to build each other up.” --K Howard

**Meaghan Pasternak**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:31pm 01-18-23

I am the Board President of Walker's Point Youth & Family Center. I choose to support Walker's Point because of the mental health resources and housing support that we provide to Milwaukee's youth. We know our young people require mental health tools and support now more than ever. This initiative will provide Milwaukee's youth with free support and tools to strength their mental health foundation and improve their needs in the future!