

Regular Special

Meeting Date: August 13, 2024

Title: Letter of Support for Tri-State Community Healthcare

Background: Tri-State Community Healthcare Center has been a vital provider of healthcare services to Needles and surrounding communities, offering a comprehensive range of care including primary care, pediatrics, dental care, behavioral health, and telehealth services. Their commitment to delivering quality, compassionate, and patient-centered care, regardless of a patient's ability to pay, aligns with the City's goals of supporting accessible healthcare for all residents.

Tri-State Community Healthcare Center has requested a letter of support from the City of Needles for their New Access Point application, which seeks to expand primary care, behavioral health, and substance use disorder services throughout their service area.

On November 5, 2022, the City of Needles recognized Tri-State with a proclamation for receiving the 25th Annual Community Achievement / Business Expansion and Retention Award. Since then, Tri-State has continued to expand its services, including significant contributions to the community through initiatives such as the distribution of free school supplies, dental products, and food.

The City strongly supports Tri-State's New Access Point application, as this expansion will further enhance the healthcare safety net for Needles' most vulnerable residents.

Fiscal Impact: None

Recommendation: Approve Letter for Tri-State Community Healthcare

Submitted By: Patrick Martinez, City Manager

City Management R	eview: <u>Patrick J Mi</u>	<u>artinez</u> Date	<u>: 8/8/2024</u>
Approved:	Not Approved:	Tabled:	Other:
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