



Board Resolution of Christie's Place, Inc.
2016-11 *Live Well San Diego* Partnership

WHEREAS, the health and well-being of citizens is of primary concern for the County of San Diego, and on July 13, 2010, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors adopted the *Live Well San Diego* vision, for achieving the county's vision of Building Better Health, Living Safely, and Thriving; and

WHEREAS, *Live Well San Diego* is the common thread between the work of public and private entities, faith-based and community-based organizations, cities, business community members, and other stakeholders toward a shared vision of a healthier, safe, and more self-sufficient communities; and

WHEREAS, Christie's Place, Inc. is a nonprofit social service organization in San Diego County that provides comprehensive HIV/AIDS education, support, and advocacy to women, children and families impacted by HIV/AIDS. Transforming lives since 1996, our mission is to empower our clients to take charge of their health and wellness.

WHEREAS, Christie's Place, Inc. fulfills the *Live Well San Diego* partner requirements by delivering comprehensive services closely linked to healthcare for women, children and families impacted by chronic health conditions, such as HIV, whose health and wellness are complicated by socio-economic factors (i.e. extreme poverty, inadequate access to healthcare, sub-standard housing and homelessness, limited education and language barriers). For over 20 years, Christie's Place, Inc. has filled a critical need for gender-responsive, family-centered, culturally and linguistically competent services which address the unique needs of chronically ill women; empowering them to take charge of their health. Christie's Place, Inc. services include: an early intervention services center with resource coordination, information and referral; medical case management; mental health services; childcare; family casework; patient navigation; and outreach. Further, in order to better address the myriad of structural, provider, and individual level barriers that low-income underserved women experience, Christie's Place works in close collaboration with local medical and social service providers to create systemic change for greater access, engagement, and linkage to care for women living with HIV in San Diego County.

WHEREAS, Christie's Place, Inc. is committed to continuing to advance *Live Well San Diego* into the future, and is embracing strategies of this initiative in ways illustrated here:

- Building a Better Service Delivery System by collaborating with local medical and social service providers to create systemic change for greater access, engagement, and linkage to care for women living with HIV in San Diego County.
- Supporting Positive Choices by empowering our staff and the clients we serve to take charge of their health and wellness through our coordinated services model as well as the efforts of our Christie's Place, Inc. Wellness Committee, our bi-monthly fresh produce and our weekly "Walk and Learn" group.
- Pursuing Policy and Environmental Change by fostering meaningful involvement of women living with HIV both locally and nationally through leadership and advocacy trainings.

WHEREAS, Christie's Place, Inc. whole-heartedly supports the *Live Well San Diego* vision and will have



the opportunity to collaborate with the network of *Live Well San Diego* champions and partners to achieve the greatest collective impact possible for creating and sustaining safe, healthy and thriving communities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Christie's Place, Inc. Board of Directors hereby approves the partnership with the County of San Diego's *Live Well San Diego* vision during the meeting occurring on 11/5/2016.

T. Michelle Laird, Esq.
Board President

Date