

RAC-G FINANCIAL REPORT NARRATIVE

December – February

Piney Woods Regional Advisory Council has maintained operations with funds from General Membership and from Tobacco and RAC 3588 Contracts for the Fiscal Year 2017-18.

Clinical and Public Education has historically been our greatest investment to bring awareness to our Hospitals, EMS Agencies and our General Public in the nineteen county region known now as HHC-G. We have not had requests from our Hospitals and EMS in these early quarters. RAC-G tries to honor the requests for support of Trauma, Cardio Vascular, and Stroke Symposiums. We have not received such requests as of this report.

Our region is experiencing changes in ownership with one of our major Trauma Hospitals. The merge of ETMC Tyler and its regional hospitals and UTHC Northeast has required re-designation letters from the RAC as part of the Trauma Hospital Designation Application. The merge has finally been announced and made public. This required name change of all hospitals involved. Thirteen letters were written on behalf of the ETMC Hospitals to DSHS to announce the official name change of each hospital. Approximately, 400 personnel dismissals have taken place. The RAC is waiting to confirm the changes that will be noted in our membership attendance at our quarterly meetings and participation in our data collection registry.

In the period of December 2017 - February 2018, RAC-G contributed to the Shattered Dreams Project conducted by CHRISTUS –TMF –JACKSONVILLE. There were 700 students, including three School Districts who took part in this educational project that RAC-G supported.

Tobacco funds were used to send our Chair of the RAC Board of Directors and our incoming Chair to GETAC and RAC Chair's Meetings in Austin.

Our Administrative Assistant was paid from Tobacco funds (ADMIN) in 2nd Quarter. The CEO was paid from PROGRAM Tobacco and RAC3588 funds. The RAC 3588 funds are primarily used for Professional Services which covers our CPA and Auditors.

Payroll and Benefits basically was the primary expenditures during this quarter. The office had a Fiscal Monitoring Review conducted during this time frame.

Inclement weather prevented our Board of Directors' Meeting that was scheduled in January.

In spite of the weather, the reduced funding during these months, RAC-G has maintained the operating costs and personnel. The future looks brighter for the RACs and in the coming summer months our goal is to help support our hospitals and EMS Providers in their educational symposiums.

RAC-G purchased STOP THE BLEED kits with LPG funds last year and classes are being taught and with the proposed LPG Funds coming to the RACs this year, we have ordered supplies to enhance the trainings. We have classes schedule to Train the Trainer.

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