

## **TAOS ELDER BENEVOLENT SERVICES (TEBS)**

### **ANNUAL REPORT SUMMARY FYE 2021**

**TEBS PROGRAM CONSISTS OF 3 PROJECTS** that help needy elders access

- Medicaid Long-term Care Benefits
- Veterans' Widows' Long-term Care Benefits
- Elder Transitional Housing - Section 8 Housing Rental Support

These 3 projects involve different government agencies and serve different populations that are referred to us from different sources; moreover, the projects develop at different rates, so each requires its own business development plan and funding.

### **OPERATING RESULTS**

In 2021, with a volunteer staff and minor expenses (\$2,974), TEBS served over 70 clients by providing COVID-related mortgage/rental/utilities relief and facilitating the receipt of Medicaid and Veterans' Widows' lifetime benefits, with a combined value of approximately \$968,000.

### **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- Summary: Income = \$21,200, Expense = \$2,974 (see attached details)
- Observations: Approximately \$15,000 value in volunteer hours

### **COMMUNITY IMPACT**

- Geographic Scope: primarily Taos and northern New Mexico, with additional clients statewide (referred by Alzheimer's Association)
- Populations Served: low- and middle-income elders, including
  - Long-term Medicaid patients in Skilled Nursing Facilities
  - Long-term Veteran's Widows in Assisted Living Facilities
  - Elders seeking Section 8 vouchers for transition to smaller rental homes
  - Elders seeking COVID-related mortgage/rental/utilities financial assistance
- Community Impact – prevents elder eviction; maintains dignity and quality of life for elders and their families

## **FUTURE BUSINESS PLAN**

In 2022, TEBS will focus on expanding accessibility to Medicaid and Veterans' Widows' benefits. Elder Section 8 benefits are on hold, pending our evaluation and government agency response.

Over the last two years, TEBS volunteers have developed its programs without compensation or an office space for client meetings. Now, to assure program continuity, contract staff members need to be compensated and office space arranged for - both on an hourly basis. In this way, TEBS can begin the process of outsourcing operations tasks to an existing organization with a full-time, qualified staff that serves similar elder client populations.

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