CALIFORNIA HEALTH FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY (CHFFA) THE HELP II PROGRAM

Executive Summary

Applicant: Nevada County Council on

Amount Requested: \$270,000

Alcoholism, Inc. ("NCCA") 440 Henderson Street, Suite C **Date Requested:** January 27, 2005 **Loan Term:** 15 years

Grass Valley, CA 94945

Resolution Number: HII-174

Nevada County

Project Site: 303 Bennett Street, Grass Valley, California

Facility Type: Adult residential alcohol and drug abuse/recovery facility

Uses of Loan Proceeds: Loan proceeds will be used to refinance an existing loan, which has a balloon payment due in May 2005. In addition, NCCA wishes to complete minor improvements to the facility.

Type of Issue: HELP II Loan

Prior HELP II Borrower: No.

Financial Overview: NCCA's income statement exhibits solid operating results with positive net income over the past three fiscal years along with continued revenue growth from newly developed programs. NCCA's balance sheet is solid with good liquidity, a good current ratio, and significant net assets. In addition, proforma debt service coverage including the proposed debt service is adequate.

Sources of Revenues: (FYE 06/30/04)	Amount	Percent
Program Service Fees	\$674,862	57%
Governmental Grants	446,560	38%
Contributions	43,878	4%
Other	<u>10,975</u>	<u>1%</u>
Total Revenues\$1,176,274	100%	

Estimated Sources of Funds:		Estimated Uses of Funds:	
HELP II loan	\$270,000*	Refinance loan	\$234,200
		Renovate facility	30,800
		Financing costs	5,000
Total Sources	<u>\$270,000</u>	Total Uses	<u>\$270,000</u>

^{*} Borrower funds are not required since this is a refinance transaction and the borrower has already contributed \$15,000 in equity through principal repayments. In addition, this loan is highly secured with a loan to value ratio of only 66%.

Legal Review: No information was disclosed to question the financial viability or legal integrity of the Applicant.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends the Authority approve a resolution for a HELP II loan in an amount not to exceed \$270,000 for a term not to exceed 15 years for Nevada County Council on Alcoholism, Inc., subject to the standard HELP II loan provisions.

STAFF SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATION

THE HELP II PROGRAM

Nevada County Council on Alcoholism ("NCCA")

January 27, 2005 Resolution Number: HII-174

I. PURPOSE OF FINANCING:

NCCA wishes to refinance an existing loan, which has a balloon payment due in May 2005, plus complete various minor property improvements.

Refinance existing loan	\$234,200
NCCA plans to refinance an existing short-term loan, which was obtained	
from Rural Community Assistance Corporation to purchase a 3,000 square	
foot Victorian home (Hope House) in September 2001. The home was	
purchased for \$250,000 and appraised for \$407,000 in December 2004,	
resulting in a loan-to-value ratio of 66%.	

Financing Costs		<u>5,000</u>
Authority closing fee	3,375	
Title/escrow fees	1,625	

Structure of Financing:

- 15-year term with 180 monthly payments of approximately \$1,865 (yearly payments of approximately \$22,380).
- Total interest payments of approximately \$65,623.
- Corporate gross revenue pledge.
- First (1st) lien on property located at 303 Bennett Street, Grass Valley, California.

30,800

II. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND ANALYSIS:

Nevada County Council on Alcoholism Statement of Activities (Unrestricted)

	5-month period Ending Nov. 30		For the year ended June 30,					
	2004		2004		2003		2002	
	(U	naudited)						
REVENUES								
Governmental grants	\$	215,680	\$ 446,560	\$	415,334	\$	265,727	
Program service fees		266,010	625,108		520,597		644,133	
Program service fees - residential		26,001	49,754		69,542		93,132	
Contributions and other support		19,815	43,879		32,516		113,837	
Other revenues		1,350	 10,974		2,459		21,543	
Total revenue		528,856	1,176,275		1,040,448		1,138,372	
EXPENSES								
Salaries		290,955	691,207		587,213		562,424	
Payroll taxes		19,700	65,789		59,623		53,254	
Employee benefits		33,199	88,171		90,345		72,541	
Accounting fees		11,384	22,398		21,001		-	
Supplies		13,385	19,439		30,656		61,086	
Maintenance		7,550	26,575		32,101		-	
Conference		16,208	15,865		7,329		-	
Interest		2,814	6,535		9,232		3,952	
Depreciation		6,873	16,217		16,076		12,443	
Professional services		6,542	19,292		28,134		64,754	
Client services		22,313	24,039		10,393		-	
Other expenses		21,345	58,906		42,498		83,359	
Total expenses		493,454	1,144,130		1,024,647		1,071,424	
Change in net assets		35,402	32,145		15,801		66,948	
Prior year adjustments		-	5,742		-		-	
Unrestricted net assets at beginning of year		186,939	149,052		133,251		66,303	
Unrestricted net assets end of year	\$	222,341	\$ 186,939	\$	149,052	\$	133,251	

Nevada County Council on Alcoholism Statement of Financial Position

	As of Nov. 30		As of June 3			0,		
		2004	2004		2003		2002	
<u>Assets</u>	(U	naudited)						
Cash	\$	163,994	\$ 144,179	\$	120,145	\$	45,089	
Accounts receivable		103,186	48,273		35,273		43,672	
Prepaid expenses		6,468	7,584		7,618		16,281	
Deposits		11,662	6,234		9,074		6,234	
Total Current Assets		285,310	206,270		172,110		111,276	
Fixed assets		266,199	274,299		285,249		327,371	
Total Assets	\$	551,509	\$ 480,569	\$	457,359	\$	438,647	
Liabilities and net assets								
Accounts payable	\$	71,606	\$ 20,292	\$	29,642	\$	36,120	
Payroll taxes/benefits payable		20,250	36,026		21,956		10,454	
Total Current Liabilities		91,856	56,318		51,598		46,574	
Notes payable		234,200	234,200		253,597		255,710	
Total liabilities		326,056	290,518		305,195		302,284	
Net Assets								
Unrestricted		222,341	186,939		149,052		133,251	
Temporarily restricted		3,112	3,112		3,112		3,112	
Permanently restricted		-	-		-		-	
Total Net Assets		225,453	190,051		152,164		136,363	
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$	551,509	\$ 480,569	\$	457,359	\$	438,647	
Financial Ratios:		oforma (a) /30/2004						
Debt Service Coverage (x)		2.45	6.56		3.66		2.91	
Debt/Unrestricted Net Assets (x)		1.44	1.25		1.70		1.92	
Margin (%)		4	2.73		1.52		5.88	
Current Ratio (x)			3.66		3.33		2.38	
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⁽a) Recalculates June 2004 audited results to include the impact of the HELP II financing.

Financial Discussion:

NCCA's income statement exhibits solid operating results with positive net income over the past three fiscal years along with continued revenue growth from newly developed programs.

NCCA has continued to post positive operating results during fiscal years 2002 through 2004, even though net income declined slightly from \$66,000 in fiscal year 2002 to \$32,000 in fiscal year 2004. These results represent modest operating margins ranging from 5.88% in fiscal year 2002 to 2.73% in fiscal year 2004. NCCA management indicates that net income declined in fiscal year 2004 as result of higher operating expenses, specifically increased staffing costs to meet increased demand for services.

During the interim 5-month period ending November 30, 2004, NCCA continues to operate successfully with net income of \$30,000.

NCCA has a well-diversified revenue stream split predominately between government grants and program service fees. NCCA total revenues are modest, with \$1.1 million for fiscal year 2004. However, NCCA continues to expand its services to those in need. The number of clients served (see page 7) has increased substantially from calendar year 2002 (3,058 served) to 2004 (4,256 served), an increase of approximately 20% per year.

NCCA's balance sheet is solid with good liquidity, a good current ratio, and significant net assets. In addition, proforma debt service coverage including the proposed debt service is adequate.

NCCA's has good liquidity with over \$144,000 in cash and cash equivalents, a strong current ratio of 3.66x, and net assets of over \$190,000.

NCCA's debt to unrestricted net assets ratio is relatively high at 1.25x, however its debt service coverage (DSC) ratio is very strong at 6.56x. The proforma debt to unrestricted net assets ratio increases to 1.44x, while the DSC ratio decreases to 2.45x, indicating NCCA's ability to repay the proposed loan. The decline in the DSC ratio is a result of the proposed HELP II loan being a fully amortized loan with significantly higher debt service payments, while the existing loan structure consists of minimal principal payments (mostly interest), and significantly lower payments.

NCCA has experienced a sharp increase in accounts receivable during the interim period ending November 30, 2004 due to an increase in contract usage from both Nevada and Placer Counties for Residential and Outpatient services, primarily for Proposition 36 clients (requires drug treatment in lieu of imprisonment for 1st and 2nd time nonviolent offenders adopted). Proposition 36 was adopted by voters in the general election held November 2000 and was effective July 2001. Additionally, this accounting was taken the first week of December 2004 with the largest accounts receivable not being paid in a timely fashion. NCCA management indicates that this is typical during the holiday period and expects accounts receivables to decline in the near future to a more normalized range of \$45,000 to \$55,000.

BACKGROUND:

Nevada County Council on Alcoholism, Inc. was founded in August 1974 as a local public benefit corporation. Its mission is to offer a full spectrum of treatment and recovery services to individuals and families that will reduce the social, financial and health consequences to the community. The purpose is to assist adults and adolescents entering into recovery with a goal of restoring families to physical, emotional and spiritual health. Its vision is to create a world of healthy families, which leads to a world of health communities.

NCCA opened Hope House in 2001. Hope House is a Women and Women with Children Chemical Dependency Residential Program. The program is a 90-day term for women and women with up to two children under the age of 9 with them. Capacity is currently 10 women and 6 children.

During the average stay, women will participate in over 480 hours of recovery activities that include individual and group counseling, psychotherapy, self-help meetings, mind-body exercises and self-sufficiency modules. All program activities are supervised and led on-site by professional

NCCA has office locations in Grass Valley on Bennett Street and Henderson Street, along with a location in Truckee, CA.

Licenses and Contracts:

NCCA is licensed as an adult residential alcohol and drug treatment facility with the State Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs.

Service Area and Competition:

Hope House is the only provider for women with children within a 40-mile radius. In addition, Hope House provides a unique system of care, which requires a higher level of supervision and psychotherapy treatment in conjunction with traditional drug and alcohol treatment. Consequently, Hope House does not compete directly with other facilities. Listed below are other facilities that offer treatment for men and women:

Health Facility	Beds Market Share in		Estimated Distance		
		*Nevada County (%)	<u>Away</u>		
Progress House of Nevada County	19	66%	8 miles		
South Placer Residential of Placer Co.	30	0%	30 miles		
Pathways of Yuba County	12	0%	35 miles		
New Leaf of Placer County	10	0%	40 miles		
NCCA's Hope House	10	34%	N/A		

^{*} Based on the number of beds in Nevada County.

IV. UTILIZATION STATISTICS:

Total Clients Served (Calendar Year)

CORR - Clients Served	2004	2003	2002
Outpatient (Medi-Cal, Drug Court, Prop 36, NNA, CalWorks, Peri-Natal, CPS)	341	236	157
Youth Programs (Prevention & Treatment, Mood management,)	523	455	364
Family Programs (Parenting, Anger management, Relationships, Therapy)	427	371	337
DUI Programs & Drug Diversion	751	685	617
Hope House	68	53	26
Ancillary Services (Seniors, Assessments, Walk-ins, Drug Testing)	2,146	1,893	1,557
Total Served	4,256	3,693	3,058

V. OUTSTANDING DEBT:

Description	Original Amount	Amount Outstanding As of 6/30/04	Estimated Amount Outstanding After Proposed Financing
Existing: Mortgage RCAC 2001	\$250,000	\$234,200	\$0
Proposed: CHFFA HELP II, 2005			270,000
TOTAL DEBT	-	\$234,200	\$270,000

VI. SECTION 15438.5 OF THE ACT (Savings Pass Through):

It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this part to provide financing only to health facilities that can demonstrate the financial feasibility of their projects. It is further the intent of the Legislature that all or part of any savings experienced by a participating health institution, as a result of that tax-exempt revenue bond funding, be passed on to the consuming public through lower charges or containment of the rate of increase in hospital rates.

NCCA has provided a description of its savings pass through in **Exhibit A**.

VII. SECTION 15459.1 (b) OF THE ACT (Community Service Requirement):

As a condition of the issuance of revenue bonds, whether by the Authority or any local agency, each borrower shall give reasonable assurance to the Authority that the services of the health facility will be made available to all persons residing or employed in the area served by the facility. As part of this assurance, borrowers shall agree to a number of actions, including (a) to advise each person seeking services at the borrower's facility as to the person's potential eligibility for Medi-Cal and Medicare benefits or benefits from other governmental third-party payers, and (b) to post notices in appropriate areas within the facility regarding services being available to all in the service area. This agreement is a standard "Certification and Agreement Regarding Community Service Obligation".

NCCA has executed this certification and whether Medi-Cal and Medicare patients are accepted. A copy of the certification is provided as **Exhibit B.**

VI. LEGAL REVIEW:

Staff has reviewed the Applicant's responses to the questions contained in the Legal Status portion of the Application. No information was disclosed to question the financial viability or legal integrity of this applicant.

VII. STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Authority approve a resolution for a HELP II loan in an amount not to exceed \$270,000 for a term not to exceed 15 years for Nevada County Council on Alcoholism, Inc., subject to the standard HELP II loan provisions.