## BEING ALIVE/PEOPLE WITH AIDS ACTION COALITION, INC.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

MARCH 31, 2015



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July 27, 2016

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Board of Directors
Being Alive/People with AIDS Action Coalition, Inc.
West Hollywood, California

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Being Alive/People with AIDS Action Coalition, Inc. (a nonprofit corporation) which comprise the statement of financial position as of March 31, 2015, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### **Auditors' Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONT.)

### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Being Alive/People with AIDS Action Coalition, Inc. as of March 31, 2015, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

NSBN LLP

NSBN LLP Los Angeles, California



# BEING ALIVE/PEOPLE WITH AIDS ACTION COALITION, INC. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION MARCH 31, 2015 WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS AT MARCH 31, 2014

	2015			2014		
ASSETS						
Current Assets Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable Prepaids and other assets	\$	1,264 15,138 17,180	\$	11,957 29,825 21,821		
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	ETS 33,582					
Fixed assets, net		35,701		36,653		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	69,283	\$	100,256		
LIABILITIES  Current Liabilities  Bank overdrafts  Accounts payable  Deferred revenue		16,767 14,912 -	\$	19,485 12,355		
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		31,679		31,840		
NET ASSETS - Unrestricted		37,604		68,416		
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$	69,283	\$	100,256		

# BEING ALIVE/PEOPLE WITH AIDS ACTION COALITION, INC. STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2015 WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS AT MARCH 31, 2014

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	2015	2014
REVENUE AND PUBLIC SUPPORT				
Government grants	\$ 247,426	\$ -	\$ 247,426	\$ 282,132
Special events	48,021	-	48,021	101,849
Contributions	78,325	-	78,325	55,119
Other income	3,445	-	3,445	-
Net assets released from restrictions:				
Satisfaction of purpose				
TOTAL REVENUE AND PUBLIC SUPPORT	377,217		377,217	439,100
EXPENSES				
Program services	329,367	-	329,367	324,904
General and administrative	37,113	-	37,113	51,878
Fundraising	41,549		41,549	65,621
TOTAL EXPENSES	408,029		408,029	442,403
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(30,812)	-	(30,812)	(3,303)
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	68,416		68,416	71,719
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 37,604	\$ -	\$ 37,604	\$ 68,416

# BEING ALIVE/PEOPLE WITH AIDS ACTION COALITION, INC. STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2015 WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS AT MARCH 31, 2014

	Program		Supporting Services General and				2015		2014
	 Services	Adm	inistrative	<u>Fu</u>	ndraising		2015	_	2014
Salaries	\$ 143,585	\$	11,996	\$	8,997	\$	164,578	\$	156,886
Employee benefits	32,430		673		505		33,608		37,546
Payroll taxes	14,469		1,344		1,008		16,821		15,237
Total salary related expenses	190,484		14,013		10,510		215,007		209,669
Occupancy	64,360		9,654		6,436		80,450		77,621
Consulting	21,190		-		-		21,190		22,600
Special events expense	-		-		20,506		20,506		40,799
Insurance	9,741		1,461		974		12,176		8,299
Telephone and communications	7,910		1,186		791		9,887		8,539
Wellness center expense	9,647		-		-		9,647		12,695
Office expenses	3,351		5,047		750		9,148		6,470
Equipment, repairs and maintenance	5,610		842		561		7,013		9,237
Printing and reproduction	4,067		610		407		5,084		1,768
Accounting	-		3,380		-		3,380		27,087
Outreach and education	3,115		-		-		3,115		1,419
Postage and delivery	2,466		370		247		3,083		3,481
Program incentives	2,515		-		-		2,515		7,168
Volunteer support	1,244		-		-		1,244		1,518
Travel	 					_			45
Expenses before depreciation	325,700		36,563		41,182		403,445		438,415
Depreciation	3,667		550		367		4,584		3,988
Total expenses 2015	\$ 329,367	\$	37,113	\$	41,549	\$	408,029		
Total expenses 2014	\$ 324,904	\$	51,878	\$	65,621			\$	442,403

# BEING ALIVE/PEOPLE WITH AIDS ACTION COALITION, INC. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2015 WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS AT MARCH 31, 2014

	 2015	2014		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Change in net assets	\$ (30,812)	\$	(3,303)	
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:				
Depreciation	4,584		3,988	
(Increase) decrease in assets:				
Accounts receivable	14,687		16,205	
Prepaids and other assets	4,641		3,963	
(Increase) decrease in liabilities:				
Bank overdrafts	16,767		_	
Accounts payable	(4,573)		(2,160)	
Accrued vacation	-		(15,729)	
Deferred revenue	(12,355)		1,355	
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES	 (7,061)		4,319	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Purchases of fixed assets	 (3,632)			
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	 (3,632)			
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	 			
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	(10,693)		4,319	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	11,957		7,638	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$ 1,264	\$	11,957	

### Note 1 ORGANIZATION

### **History**

Being Alive/People with AIDS Action Coalition, Inc. (Being Alive), a nonprofit organization incorporated in the State of California, is Los Angeles' first peer-led HIV/AIDS agency. Established in 1986 by three friends who were living with AIDS, Being Alive was created to provide services free of red tape. These visionaries saw the need for a peer-based agency to advocate for the community from the point of view of those infected. Today, Being Alive is a beacon of support, education and empowerment to thousands of people with HIV/AIDS.

#### Mission

Being Alive is an agency by and for people living with HIV/AIDS that seeks to bring peers out of isolation, to engender a sense of self-reliance and self-direction, and to build a stronger community of HIV-positive people. Being Alive accomplishes its mission by providing support, education, advocacy, prevention and wellness programs.

### **Programs and Services**

### PEER Support

Led by facilitators who know first hand the issues of our members, this program offers a safe and comfortable environment for people to bond, share, learn, and grow. Peer Support includes intakes and assessments including a comprehensive referral service, support groups, one-on-one support, and social activities.

### Education

Being Alive believes that, in order for a person to take charge of his/her medical care, he/she must have access to the current medical information and have access to services. Being Alive accomplishes this goal with regularly published treatment newsletters, educational website, and monthly medical updates.

### Wellness

Wellness activities encourage Being Alive members to develop themselves as well-rounded individuals and to explore complimentary approaches to western medicine. Being Alive offers chiropractic and acupuncture clinics, yoga, healing touch, massage, and a ceramics studio to meet those needs.

### Prevention

Being Alive's Prevention for Positives Program "Get Real" delivers individual, group and community level interventions that encourage members to adopt high self-esteem and a culture of responsibility. Prevention messages are disseminated to the larger community via Being Alive's Speakers' Bureau as well.

### Note 1 ORGANIZATION (CONT.)

### Advocacy

Being Alive's advocacy program ensures that the voices are heard and factored into a variety of issues. Being Alive's advocacy takes a two-fold approach: first, Being Alive offers advocacy for individuals who are facing barriers to the HIV care system; and second, Being Alive trains peers to engage in educational opportunities with legislators.

### Membership

Being Alive primarily serves central metropolitan Los Angeles and some of the surrounding areas. As such, target populations for support programs are gay and bisexual men or "men who have sex with men" (MSM), both MSM of color and Anglo MSM, though Being Alive also serves any and all people living with HIV/AIDS from Los Angeles County. The common thread throughout membership is the historically underserved: the working poor, people of color, homeless and/or mentally ill. In the case of the Speakers' Bureau, the target audience is youth (ages 13-24) of all races, genders and sexual orientations.

### Capacity

Being Alive is a volunteer driven organization with over 100 volunteers who help to maintain the core services, including a strong and active working Board of Directors. There are only a small handful of paid staff members. Being Alive has a history of working on a tight budget with a focus on keeping administration and fundraising cost quite low while meeting a great need and serving peers effectively.

Being Alive's purpose is to empower, promote, and coordinate communication, education and cooperation between people with AIDS or diagnosed as zero-positive to HIV.

### Note 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Basis of Accounting-

The financial statements of Being Alive have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and accordingly reflect all significant receivables, payables and other liabilities.

### Basis of Presentation-

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the basis of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These standards require that Being Alive report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets.

### Note 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT.)

### Unrestricted -

The unrestricted class is the portion of the net assets of Being Alive that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations. The only limits on unrestricted net assets are broad limits resulting from the nature of Being Alive and the purposes specified in its articles of incorporation or bylaws and, perhaps, limits resulting from contractual agreements.

### Temporarily Restricted-

The temporarily restricted class is the portion of the net assets of Being Alive resulting from contributions and other inflows of assets whose use by Being Alive is limited by donor imposed stipulations that either expire by passage of time or can be fulfilled and removed by actions of Being Alive pursuant to those stipulations. The majority of contributions with restrictions are stipulated to be used as funding for specific production projects. Being Alive has no temporarily restricted net assets at March 31, 2015.

### Permanently Restricted-

The permanently restricted class is the portion used to record resources received that are permanently restricted as to use by the donor or grantor. Being Alive has no permanently restricted net assets at March 31, 2015.

### Cash and Cash Equivalents-

For the purposes of the financial statement, Being Alive considers all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with a maturity date of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

### Accounts Receivable-

Accounts receivable are expected to be collected in full by Being Alive's management. Therefore, no allowance for doubtful accounts have been provided.

### Contributions-

In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, contributions received are recorded as unrestricted, temporarily restricted, or permanently restricted support depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions. When a restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

### Donated Services and Materials-

No amounts have been reflected in the financial statements for donated services. Being Alive generally pays for services requiring specific expertise. However, many individuals volunteer their time and perform a variety of tasks that assist Being Alive with the Wellness Center Program including acupuncture services, chiropractic services, massage, yoga and ceramics. Being Alive receives more than 5,000 volunteer hours per year.

### Note 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT.)

### Property and Equipment-

Property and equipment are recorded at historical cost and are being depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the assets. The following lives have been assigned:

Improvements 15 years Furniture, fixtures and equipment 5 years

Expenditures for maintenance, repairs, and renewals of minor items are charged to expense as incurred. Major renewals and improvements are capitalized. Upon disposition, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and the resulting gain or loss is reflected in operations for the period.

### Income Taxes-

Being Alive is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and is exempt from California franchise taxes under Section 23701(d) of the California Revenue and Taxation Code.

Being Alive files IRS Form 990 and State Forms 199 and RRF-1. Generally accepted accounting principles provide accounting and disclosure guidance about positions taken by an organization in its tax returns that might be uncertain. Being Alive recognizes the effect of income tax positions only if those positions are more likely than not of being sustained. Management of Being Alive does not believe the financial statements include any uncertain tax positions. With few exceptions, Being Alive is no longer subject to U.S. federal and state examinations by tax authorities for the tax years before 2011 and 2012, respectively.

### Use of Estimates-

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### Advertising-

Advertising costs are charged to operations when incurred and are included in functional expenses.

### Functional Allocation of Expenses-

The costs of providing the program and the supporting services have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities, and in the statement of functional expenses. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated between the program and the supporting services in reasonable ratios determined by management.

### Note 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT.)

### Summarized Comparative Financial Information-

The financial statements include certain prior-year summarized comparative information in total but not by net asset class. Such information does not include sufficient detail to constitute a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with Being Alive's financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2014, from which the summarized information was derived.

### Subsequent Events-

Management has evaluated subsequent events through July 27, 2016, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

### Note 3 FIXED ASSETS

Fixed assets consists of the following:

Furniture, fixtures and equipment	\$ 4,931
Leasehold improvements	 57,871
	62,802
Less: Accumulated depreciation	 (27,101)
Total fixed assets, net	\$ 35,701

### Note 4 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### Contracts-

Being Alive's grants and contracts are subject to inspection and audit by the appropriate governmental funding agency. The purpose is to determine whether program funds were used in accordance with their respective guidelines and regulations. The potential exists for disallowance of previously funded program costs. The ultimate liability, if any, which may result from these governmental audits cannot be reasonably estimated and accordingly, Being Alive has no provisions for the possible disallowance of program costs on its financial statements.

### Note 5 CASH IN BANK - CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

Being Alive maintains its cash balances at a bank. At March 31, 2015, none of the balances maintained at the bank exceeded the insurance limit (\$250,000) as set by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.