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To: Lavin, Jack
Subject: RE: Twin
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The organization has a series of fiscal improprieties (bounced checks, missing funds, unpaid debts, checks made out to Twin etc) for which they are unable or unwilling to account for despite repeated requests for information. Their contract will not be renewed.

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What's the bottom line?

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Here's an update on the situation that I will relay to Al

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Subject: RE: Twin
Importance: High

Hi Toni,

We've been dealing with The Link and Option Center's (TLOC) fiscal issues since late May/early June. Although we recognize the importance of having SBC and Reentry services in the south suburbs, we also want to ensure that agencies maintain strong levels of fiscal accountability. Since Barbara and I spoke with you last, we have held several discussions with the lead agencies to

determine an appropriate course of action to address TLOC's issues. To date, our lead agencies still have not received satisfactory answers to their questions regarding TLOC's fiscal issues. TLOC currently has 3 grants under NRI (2 Reentry/1 SBC) and 1 grant under Safety Networks.

IVPA and the lead agencies decided to allow TLOC a final opportunity to provide outstanding information, much of which had been previously requested. TLOC was informed that they had 24 hours to submit all requested documentation and respond to questions. And, if the requested information was submitted and approved by the lead agencies and IVPA, a new contract would be extended to them. TLOC was reminded that no payments would be provided to them for services outside of the contract period.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION/DOCUMENTATION WAS REQUESTED FROM TLOC:

SOUTHLAND REQUIREMENTS (TLOC is the coordinating partner for reentry)

- Explanation of where the $22,256.86 that was placed in TLOC's NRI bank account on June 27, 2012 originated. (note: Several weeks earlier, TLOC was asked to provide proof that their NRI account funds were restored, as they had received all of their money and should have had funds on hand. In response, they provided a letter from the bank indicated that they had $22,256.86 in one of their accounts.) - **This information was requested to ensure that any new funds provided to TLOC would be used for existing services and not to cover previous debts. It should also be noted that by their own admission, their unspent funds should exceed the $22,256.86)**

HEALTHCARE CONSORTIUM (HCI) REQUIREMENTS

- **Corrected 2nd and 3rd Quarter reports for Reentry and SBC for TLOC's grant** with HCI, which includes:
    - Explanation of how check # 1011 for $10,732.48 was cashed 6/14/12 in order for Twin to purchase cashier's checks for herself ($10,000.00, # 506778) and an employee ($617.48, # 506780) on the same date. – **This doesn't make sense. Why would she purchase a cashier's check to pay employees if there was money in the account? Where are the receipts? How can the same check be used for two different purposes? A plausible explanation was required.**

    - Explanation of how the cashier's check for Twin, as she has indicated, was used solely to cover all of her 2nd quarter NRI payroll from Feb. – April, yet both the aforementioned cashiers check *and* check #1011 were also submitted for her 3rd Quarter payroll documentation.

- 2nd Quarter narrative does not address all NSF checks on original 2nd qtr submission and how they were corrected

3rd Quarter Issues including:

Check payable to an employee (check # 6062) for period 5/1-5/16/12 in the amount of $854.42 is being displayed as paid to FICA with the same check number on TLOC's SBC

ledger in the amount of $269.77. No indication that either debt was actually paid on bank statement. **– Same issue. Same check number for two different amounts on different dates and for different purposes.**

- An employee was paid for 3rd quarter, but not listed on Reentry 3rd qtr report. – **this employee is not listed on TLOC's report.**

- Twin Green's payroll has check # 6055, for the period 5/1-5/16, which is not on bank statements as being paid to date. Also recently submitted information does not correlate with reports submitted for 3rd qtr (Two check numbers on report ledgers 506778 and 1011)

Needless to say, these issues have not been resolved by TLOC. Considering the nature of their fiscal challenges and TLOC's inability to provide the requested documentation, I think that TLOCs' SNW grant should also be evaluated. Today I received a call from HCI regarding an NRI employee who claims they are still waiting for payment from TLOC for work done in May.

For FY12 TLOC received or will receive a total of $436,983 in IVPA funding from SNW and NRI grants. The breakdown is listed below. Please note, that with each NRI grant there were unspent funds that carried over to FY12, so the total award amount includes money left over from the previous year. TLOC has never provided an explanation for what precipitated the negative account balance. Based upon funds provided to TLOC, it seems that they should have had more than enough money to manage the program. Nonetheless, TLOC's fiscal issues are troubling and are the reasons supporting our decision not to renew.

Breakdown of TLOC's $436,983 in Grant Awards for FY12:

$79,687 Reentry (Southland) **– contract ended 6/30/12**
$93,750 Reentry (HCI) **– contract ended 6/30/12**
$67,500 SBC (HCI) **– contract ended 6/30/12**
$196,066K Safety Networks with 4 month extension ($143K FY12 + $53,066 Extension period) **– contract ends 10/31/12**

Please let me know if you have questions.

Best,
Lorri

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Rep Al Riley called Jack Lavin today about the organizations funds. Is there an update about what is happening with them?

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