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#### **Cover Letter**

Department of State Division of Corporations PO Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32301

Subject: <u>BIG BEND HOMELESS ASSISTANCE CONTINUUM OF CARE, INC.</u>

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for the filing fee: \$70.00.

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March 7, 2017

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SUBJECT: BIG BEND HOMELESS ASSISTANCE CONTINUUM OF CARE,

INC.

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We have received your document for BIG BEND HOMELESS ASSISTANCE CONTINUUM OF CARE, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$70.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name of the entity must be identical throughout the document.

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF BIG BEND HOMELESS ASSISTANCE CONTINUUM OF CARE, INC.

#### **PREAMBLE**

The undersigned subscribers and incorporators hereby associate themselves together for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation for charitable purposes under Florida law and do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

#### ARTICLE I Name

The name of this not-for-profit corporation shall be the Big Bend Homeless Assistance Continuum of Care, Inc., hereinafter referred to as "Big Bend Continuum of Care" or "BBCoC."

## ARTICLE II Principal Office

The street address of the principal office is 325 John Knox Road, Building B, Tallahassee, FL 32303, or at such place within the state of Florida as the board of directors may determine from time to time.

## ARTICLE III Purpose, Powers & Limitations

The purpose for which the BBCoC organized is to develop and implement strategies to help end homelessness in the Big Bend of Florida, comprised of eight counties: Franklin, Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla. The BBCoC shall operate as a membership planning and oversight body for this eight-county region and coordinates the communities' policies, strategies, and activities toward ending homelessness. Its work shall include gathering and analyzing information to determine the local needs of people experiencing homelessness; identifying and bridging gaps in housing and services; implementing strategic responses to homelessness; educating the community on homeless issues; providing advice and input on the operations of homeless services; and measuring the performance of its operations.

BBCoC, through its Board of Directors, shall exercise the following powers:

- (a) To enter into, make, perform contracts and agreements; to sue and defend.
- (b) To encourage, solicit, administer, and accept or reject gifts of both real and personal property or money for educational purposes, all and exclusively for the advancement of BBCoC.
- (c) To receive, accept, or reject bequests and devises by will, absolutely or in trust, to the extent as a natural person.
- (d) To carry on or engage in any activity of any lawful nature whatsoever which the BBCoC may deem proper or convenient in connection with the stated purposes and to use any and all of its assets from whatever source obtained, either the principal or income therefrom, either immediately or in the future, for the furtherance of BBCoC's purposes.

- (e) To use assets and earnings of BBCoC exclusively for the purposes hereinabove set out, including the payment of expenses incident hereto, and to use no part of the net earnings to benefit of any private member or individual. No part of its activities shall be for the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and BBCoC shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.
- (f) Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Articles, this corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by (a) a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Service law, or (b) a corporation, pursuant to other corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Service law or Florida Statutes.
- (g) To carry on or engage in any activity authorized under Florida law for not-for-profit corporations, consistent with these Articles and the purposes expressed herein.

#### ARTICLE IV Bylaws

The BBCoC shall have Bylaws consistent with these Articles of Incorporation. The Bylaws of the Corporation are to be adopted, amended or repealed by the Board as set forth in the Bylaws.

## ARTICLE V Initial Board of Directors and Officers

The affairs of BBCoC shall be managed by a Board of no fewer than three (3) individuals whose qualifications, terms of office, and manner of selection (election or appointment) shall be provided for in the Bylaws. The names and titles of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors and officers until their successors are elected and qualified, pursuant to the Bylaws are:

NAME	TITLE
McShane, III, Jim H.	Chairperson
Pierce, Tom	Vice Chair
Rivero, Liz	Secretary
Dozier, Kristin	Past Chair
Baldwin, Meg	Director
Barfield, Betsy	Director
Bishop, Adrian	Director
Blair, Cindy	Director
Bradwell, Ben	Director
Coleman, Mike	Director
Davidson, Alison	Director
Dillon, Elizabeth	Director
Gavin, Michael	Director
Hamrick, Justin	Director
Hanson, Janet Bard	Director

NAME, cont'd	TITLE
Harris, Oceo	Director
Kessler, Howard	Director
Moore, Dan	Director
Patterson, Patricia	Director
Priest, Kevin	Director
Reeve, Jay	Director
Reiter, Jacob	Director
Rolle, Katrina	Director
Smith, Sylvia	Director
Taylor, Joe	Director
Taylor, Sherrie	Director
Wander, Amanda	Director
White, Chuck	Director
White, Dale	Director
Williams, Brenda	Director
Wilson, John	Director
Worley, Tina	Director
Ziffer, Gil	Director

#### ARTICLE VI Initial Registered Agent

The street address of the initial registered office of the BBCoC is: 325 John Knox Road, Building B, Tallahassee, Florida 32303. The name of the initial registered agent is: Jim McShane.

## ARTICLE VII Incorporator

The name and address of the incorporator of this charter is: Janeia D. Ingram, 118 Salem Court, Suite J, Tallahassee, FL 32301.

### ARTICLE VIII Effective Date

These Articles shall become effective as of February 28, 2017.

### ARTICLE IX Term of Existence

The BBCoC shall have perpetual existence.

## ARTICLE X Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation

Amendments to these Articles shall be adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board.

#### ARTICLE XI Dissolution

In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the BBCoC shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, i.e. charitable, educational, religious or scientific, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the Federal government, or to a state or local government for a public purpose.

#### IN WITNESS HEREOF:

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the BBCoC at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

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Required Signature of Registered Agent: Jim McShane

Date

I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.

Required Signature of Incorporator: Janeia D. Ingram

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