

## **COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH**

A Colorado Non-profit Corporation

## AMENDED ARTICLES OF **INCORPORATION**

## **ARTICLE I NAME**

#### 1. Name

The name of this corporation shall be COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH. The business of the corporation may be conducted as COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH and/or CCO and/or CCOHome. The Logo has changed as shown above on January 13, 2019.

## **ARTICLE II DURATION**

#### 2.1 Duration

The period of duration of the corporation is perpetual.

## **ARTICLE III PURPOSE**

#### 3.1 Purpose

COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH exists to help persons to prevent, to survive, and to exit homelessness (including people of poverty).

CCO may provide alternative housing solutions in the form of small houses, which is the purpose

of COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH to fill a gap for temporary and transitional housing to people experiencing homelessness and poverty. In affiliation with architectural and construction providers, the Board of Directors will negotiate contracts and provide specifications in accordance with its Mission Statement for assisting individuals and families "to survive, to prevent and to exit" homelessness. In addition, CCO may connect its clients with assessed services according to the needs of each individual for healthcare and case management.

The prospective clients of CCO include those who cannot access affordable housing. Such individuals may have behavioral issues, homeless for a long time, veterans, victims of abuse, and those on-the-brink of homelessness. Priority may be given to individuals earning less than 80% of area median income and is restricted to no more than 120% of area median income. MRR will be determined after all costs of construction are determined and accepted by the CCO's Board of Directors. Depending on the size of the small house, rent will be set well below area median rate rent.

CCO may also provide workshops, seminars, coordinate with human and health agencies for assessing needs for Continuum of Care for services of some or all of its tenants; regular meetings of tenants, for conflict negotiations, and CCO may have a qualified social work employee to manage the Village.

CCO may provide information and educational materials to the general public on the issues of homelessness and poverty.

Information and educational materials may include holistic approaches to sobriety or recovery from mental health conditions that may be co-occurring or independent of substance misuse/overuse. A program for peer-based recovery support services (P-BRSS) may be initiated and managed by CCO's executive director in the county of La Plata, Colorado and/or Southwest Colorado. The Program is to be based upon CCO's nonprofit status and guidelines. Policies and procedures for volunteers and staff of the P-BRSS program shall meet the core competencies established by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, the Colorado Behavioral Health Council and the International Credentialing and Reciprocity Consortium.

Community Compassion Outreach may conduct fundraising activities for its programs and initiatives for people experiencing poverty and all types of homelessness.

CCO may provide its constituencies with job search, workshops and seminars to build self- esteem and confidence to perform successful interviews with prospective employers, one-on-one mentoring by volunteers of the general public and nonprofits, and other personality/behavioral training for people who have been in isolation because of homelessness. These programs may include case management in accordance with a health assessment for individuals who qualify to rent or lease a small house. Rent and/or lease may be below area median rent rates.

COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH (CCO) is a non-profit corporation and shall operate

exclusively for educational and charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future Federal tax code. CCO may from time to time provide the public and local government officials with information on Homelessness and Poverty in forums, a summit of agencies serving people experiencing homelessness and poverty, and printed material with data for disseminating facts from myths on individuals and households in the two populations mentioned herein.

#### 3.2 Non-Profit

COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH is designated as a non-profit corporation.

## **ARTICLE IV** NON-PROFIT NATURE

#### 4.1 **Non-profit Nature**

COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code. No part of the net earnings of COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by any organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH is not organized and shall not be operated for the private gain of any person. The property of the corporation is irrevocably dedicated to its educational and charitable purposes. No part of the assets, receipts, or net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to any individual. The corporation may, however, pay reasonable compensation for services rendered, and make other payments and distributions consistent with these Articles.

### 4.2 Personal Liability

No officer or director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property or assets of the officers or directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

#### 4.3 Dissolution

Upon termination or dissolution of the COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH, any assets lawfully available for distribution shall be distributed to one (1) or more qualifying organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or described in any corresponding provision of any successor statute) which organization or organizations have a charitable purpose which, at least generally, includes a purpose similar to the terminating or dissolving corporation.

The organization to receive the assets of the COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH hereunder shall be selected by the discretion of a majority of the managing body of the COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH and if its members cannot so agree, then the recipient organization shall be selected pursuant to a verified petition in equity filed in a court of proper jurisdiction against the COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH by one (1) or more of its managing body which verified petition shall contain such statements as reasonably indicate the applicability of this section. The court upon a finding that this section is applicable shall select the qualifying organization or organizations to receive the assets to be distributed, giving preference if practicable to organizations located within the State of Colorado.

In the event that the court shall find that this section is applicable but that there is no qualifying organization known to it which has a charitable purpose, which, at least generally, includes a purpose similar to this corporation, then the court shall direct the distribution of its assets lawfully available for distribution to the Treasurer of the State of Colorado to be added to the general fund.

#### 4.4 Prohibited Distributions

No part of the net earnings or properties of this corporation, on dissolution or otherwise, shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, officers or other private person or individual, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III, Section 3.01.

## 4.5 Restricted Activities

No substantial part of the corporation's activities shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene (including the publishing or distribution of statements) in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

#### 4.6 Prohibited Activities

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any

activities not permitted to be carried on (I) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax as an organization described by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (II) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

## ARTICLE V BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### 5.1 Governance

COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH shall be governed by its board of directors.

#### 5.2 Directors

The founding board of directors of the corporation shall be Jon Alsdorf, Johnie Ragsdale, and Darren White. Donna Mae Baukat will serve as the Executive Director.

## ARTICLE VI MEMBERSHIP

### 6.1 Membership

COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH shall have no members. The management of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in a board of directors, as defined in the corporation's bylaws.

# ARTICLE VII AMENDMENTS

#### 7.1 Amendments

Any amendment to the Articles of Incorporation may be adopted by approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the board of directors.

# ARTICLE VIII ADDRESSES OF THE CORPORATION

#### 8.1 Corporate Address

The address of the corporation is:

Community Compassion Outreach 255 E 11<sup>th</sup> Street

Durango, Colorado 81301-5264

The mailing address of the corporation is:

Community Compassion Outreach 255 E 11<sup>th</sup> Street Durango, Colorado 81301-5264

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## **ARTICLE IX APPOINTMENT OF REGISTERED AGENT**

## 9.1 Registered Agent

The registered agent of the corporation shall be:

Donna Mae Baukat 4538 County Road 250 Durango, CO 81301-3709

## ARTICLE X **INCORPORATOR**

The incorporators of the corporation are as follow:

Donna Mae Baukat 4538 County Road 250 Durango, CO 81301-3709

> Jonathon Alsdorf 1105 E. 3rd Avenue Durango, CO 81301

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the above stated Articles of Incorporation of COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH were approved by the board of directors on March 1, 2021, and constitute a complete copy of Articles of Incorporation of the COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH.

> Donna Mae Baukat, Cofounder and President 4538 County Road 250 Durango, CO 81301-3709 USA

Johnie Ragsdale, Secretary and Treasurer 1576 Gem Lane Bayfield, CO 81122 USA

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CONSENT TO APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT

I, Donna Mae Baukat, agree to be the registered agent for COMMUNITY COMPASSION OUTREACH as appointed herein.

DONNA MAE BAUKAT, Registered Agent

Date: March 1, 2022