

Proactive Grants

Proactive grants reflect the Health Trust's interest in developing integrated service models that improve health care access and delivery for Chicago's vulnerable populations. Through documentation and evaluation, the Health Trust aims to make the case for long-term public and private support of lessons learned from these models. Most projects are multi-year and include the elements of demonstration, evaluation, public policy advocacy, and dissemination.

The following initiatives were developed at the invitation of and in conjunction with the Health Trust. The Health Trust does not accept unsolicited proposals for Proactive grants. The list below shows Proactive grants continuing or approved during FY2006 and FY2007. Reports and papers resulting from Health Trust projects can be found online at www.healthtrust.net.

Assessing Services for People with Disabilities, Their Families, and Care Givers **\$10,000**

November 2006 through January 2007

Coordinating organization: Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago

To complete an assessment and planning project defining services of Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago agencies as well as service and funding gaps for people with disabilities, their families, and care-givers. The Jewish Federation and the Health Trust will use the results to guide future activities addressing the needs of people with disabilities, their families, and caregivers.

Assuring Better Child Health and Development II (ABCD II) **\$120,025**

January 2005 through December 2006

Coordinating organization: Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services

To enable Illinois to participate as one of five states in the ABCD II project sponsored by the Commonwealth Fund in New York, and to obtain technical assistance from the National Academy for State Health Policy. Objectives include refining and communicating Medicaid policy and implementing new policies to promote children's healthy mental development; increasing parents' awareness of children's development and social/emotional health; and evaluating activities to inform future policy and practice.

Chicago Center for Jewish Genetic Disorders **\$1,279,131**

July 1999 through June 2008

Coordinating organization: Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago

Partner organizations: Children's Memorial Hospital and the Illinois Jewish Genetic Disorders Committee

The Center seeks to improve understanding of Jewish genetic disorders in the Chicago area. It provides information, referrals, screenings, and genetic counseling. The Center also does advocacy work, disseminates research findings, and educates health care professionals. The Center's Web site is www.jewishgeneticscenter.org.

Chicago Housing for Health Partnership (CHHP)	\$695,000
Pilot phase, July 2002 through June 2003	\$145,000
Demonstration phase, July 2003 through June 2006	\$450,000
Integration phase, July 2006 through June 2007	\$100,000

Coordinating organization: AIDS Foundation of Chicago

A partnership of health care systems, respite facilities, and transitional and permanent housing providers, CHHP evaluated the impact of expedited hospital discharge, specialized case management, and housing on the health of chronically ill homeless adults and on health care costs. During the integration phase, the project team planned for integration of lessons learned into the delivery system of services for chronically homeless people; completed data collection and analysis; and continued to develop and implement dissemination activities.

Chicago Patient Safety Forum	\$574,950
January 2005 through December 2006	\$299,950
January 2007 through December 2008	\$275,000

Coordinating organization: Chicago Patient Safety Forum

The first grant supported projects of the Forum's Pediatric Patient Safety and Medication Safety task forces. The Pediatric Patient Safety project involves five health care providers and Northwestern University's Institute for Health Services Research and Policy Studies. The Medication Safety task force extended a project of the Illinois Hospital Association beyond the hospital setting into the community. The second two-year grant supports the Pediatric Patient Safety task force's initiatives to decrease errors related to unclear communications.

Chicago Project for Violence Prevention (CeaseFire)	\$450,000
January 2007 through December 2009	

Coordinating organization: University of Illinois at Chicago

To support the work of Violence Interrupters in parts of Chicago experiencing the highest numbers of shootings and killings, and to support CeaseFire core staff activities in Chicago. Violence Interrupters hired and trained through this grant are intervening with Latino gangs concentrated in Chicago's Southwest and Brighton Park areas.

Enhancing Developmentally Oriented Primary Care	\$606,538
Planning phase, January 2004 through December 2004	\$156,538
Implementation phase, January 2005 through December 2007	\$450,000

Coordinating organizations:

Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services; Advocate Health Care; Illinois Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics; Illinois Academy of Family Physicians; Ounce of Prevention Fund

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Enhancing Developmentally Oriented Primary Care (continued)

The partners developed a framework and structure for a multi-year project to improve the financing and delivery of health promotion and developmental services in primary health care settings for Chicago children under the age of three and their parents. The project seeks to expand: the delivery of comprehensive developmental and social/emotional assessments for children under three; timely screening and referral for maternal depression; appropriate child developmental and mental health referrals; and parent education.

Health Care Issues Roundtable	\$180,000
January 2005 through December 2007	

Each year 12 organizations receive a \$5,000 grant recognizing leadership in improving health care access and quality.

The Roundtable brings together health and social service policy advocates, providers, and government leaders to share information about new initiatives, discuss successes and barriers to improving health care access and quality, and help to shape future Proactive projects. All participants are working on projects or programs funded by the Health Trust and have several years of proven leadership in Chicago's health care community.

Healthy Births for Healthy Communities: Interconceptual Care Component	\$305,000
January 2007 through December 2009	

Coordinating organization: Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services

In North Lawndale and Austin, infant mortality rates are 70 to 80 percent higher than for Chicago as a whole. The grant supports implementation of an interconceptual care program to promote at least an 18-month interval between births for postpartum women at highest risk. Strategies include expanded case management and outreach to pregnant women who were not enrolled in services during their previous pregnancy.

Improving Access to Health and Mental Health Care for Chicago's Deaf Community	\$700,735
Phase I, July 2002 through December 2003	\$184,270
Phase II, January 2004 through June 2007	\$516,465

Coordinating organizations: Advocate Health Care and Sinai Health System

Phase I involved face-to-face interviews in American Sign Language (ASL) with 203 deaf participants regarding their health status, health care experiences, communication styles, and barriers to accessing health care. In Phase II, a demonstration project evaluated the effectiveness of health education to prevent cardiovascular disease and promote self-management of depression in Chicago's Deaf community.

Make Medicare Work Coalition **\$900,000**

January 2005 through December 2007

Coordinating organizations: Health & Disability Advocates; AgeOptions (formerly Suburban Area Agency on Aging); Progress Center for Independent Living

This project is a planned and organized response in Illinois to the Medicare Prescription Drug Modernization and Improvement Act of 2003 (MMA). Grants allow each agency to increase staffing and partnerships to enhance advocacy, outreach, education, and enrollment in the Medicare drug program. Agencies are collaborating to develop project materials and implement programs and advocacy activities. The Coalition's Web site is www.makemedicarework.org.

Michael Reese Health Trust Partnership with the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) **\$800,000**

January 2005 through December 2006 \$400,000

January 2007 through December 2008 \$400,000

To enable HFS (formerly the Illinois Department of Public Aid) to design, implement, and evaluate pilot projects to reduce negative birth outcomes and improve children's oral health, in partnership with other state agencies, community groups, universities, and health care providers. The partnership uses Medicaid and other data from a variety of public sources as part of project development and evaluation and leverages federal Medicaid matching dollars to obtain additional resources for demonstration projects.

School-based Demonstration Project to Lower Childhood Obesity **\$200,000**

July 2006 through June 2008

Coordinating organizations: Sinai Health System and Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago

To implement and evaluate a school-based obesity demonstration project in two Associated Talmud Torah primary schools in the East Rogers Park and Peterson Park communities. Goals are to lower levels of obesity among 630 children in grades K-8 and develop a replicable model that can be disseminated more broadly. The project recognizes dietary, behavioral, and belief systems that are unique to the Jewish population in the targeted schools.

Sinai Urban Health Institute (SUHI) **\$1,149,158**

December 2000 through January 15, 2004 \$ 382,158

January 2004 through December 2006 \$ 358,000

January 2007 through December 2009 \$ 409,000

Coordinating organization: Sinai Health System

Initial support established SUHI and provided research, evaluation, counsel, and technical assistance to the Proactive Grants Program. Subsequent grants have supported ongoing consultation on the Proactive Grants Program's evaluation components; dissemination of Health Trust project results; a three-year evaluation of the Health Trust-supported project "Improving Access to Health and Mental Health Care for Chicago's Deaf Community"; and enhancement of SUHI's grant development capabilities. SUHI's Web site is www.suhichicago.org.

Responsive Grants

FY 2006 FY 2007

Access Community Health Network

\$30,000

To implement a best-practice diabetes care management model at 43 clinic sites serving 8,000 patients.

Access Community Health Network

\$30,000

To screen low-income, underserved children ages birth to five for developmental delays and connect them with appropriate services and care at 14 clinic sites.

Access Living

\$20,000 \$20,000

To support the Community Reintegration Program that helps people with disabilities move from nursing homes and other institutions to integrated, independent living.

Advocate Charitable Foundation

\$30,000 \$30,000

To support health education at Amundsen and Lake View high schools, including interactive classroom education, one-on-one sessions, empowerment groups, and mentoring programs.

AIDS Foundation of Chicago

\$20,000 \$20,000

To provide technical assistance to help churches educate their communities about HIV/AIDS, reduce stigmatization, and prevent further spread of the disease.

Albany Park Neighborhood Council

\$25,000 \$37,606

To support the Compassionate Care Network, through which physicians, medical labs, and imaging centers provide services at discounted rates to the uninsured.

Alternatives, Inc.

\$20,000 \$20,000

To expand the number of students receiving on-site mental health counseling at Senn High School Health Center.

Apna Ghar, Inc.

\$20,000

To provide multilingual, culturally sensitive counseling services to South Asian women and their children who have been victims of domestic violence.

	FY 2006	FY 2007		FY 2006	FY 2007
<p>Broader Urban Involvement and Leadership Development (BUILD)</p> <p>To work directly with 350 gang-affiliated and highly at-risk youth, encouraging them to reject violence, crime, and drugs and embrace positive activities and life plans.</p>	\$20,000	\$20,000	<p>Chicago Family Health Center</p> <p>To enable the Health Disparities Collaborative to implement best-practice clinical guidelines to improve care for patients with diabetes and asthma.</p>	\$25,000	
<p>Casa Central</p> <p>To improve the physical and mental functioning of Hispanic seniors in the Adult Day Care Program with a goal of preventing inappropriate institutionalization.</p>		\$25,000	<p>Chicago Foundation for Women</p> <p>To provide grants to local community organizations to implement the GoGirlGo! curriculum, aimed at reducing inactivity and obesity among girls.</p>	\$25,000	\$25,000
<p>Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago</p> <p>To support the Community Family Service Center, which provides individual and group mental health services to children in 11 schools and community centers on the West Side of Chicago.</p>		\$25,000	<p>Chicago Health Connection</p> <p>To develop a community health worker network in Chicago that will provide continuing education and peer support and expand the number of community health workers.</p>		\$20,000
<p>Centers for New Horizons</p> <p>To support the Health and Wellness Employee Initiative, which will evaluate the health of all employees and encourage them to participate in health education and exercise programs.</p>		\$35,000	<p>Chicago Hearing Society</p> <p>To support the Audiology Clinic, which provides hearing assessments, hearing aids, and related assistive hearing devices on a sliding-fee scale.</p>		\$10,000
<p>Chapin Hall Center for Children</p> <p>To conduct research on the availability and use of out-of-school opportunities in Chicago and to evaluate the effects of young people's participation on their health, well-being, and achievement.</p>	\$50,000		<p>Chicago Lighthouse</p> <p>To support the Birth-to-Three Family Intervention Program, which provides at-home developmental therapy to blind or visually impaired and multi-disabled children ages birth to three.</p>	\$25,000	
<p>Chicago Abused Women Coalition</p> <p>To provide health care to battered women, to improve the health care system's response to domestic violence, and to train providers to identify and respond appropriately to victims.</p>	\$30,000		<p>Chicago Women's Health Center</p> <p>To support the Latina Health Initiative, which will provide gynecological care and health education to underserved Latinas.</p>		\$25,000
<p>Chicago Bilingual Nurse Consortium</p> <p>To raise the organization's visibility among foreign-born nurses through a bilingual Web site and recruitment events throughout Chicago.</p>		\$30,000	<p>Chicagoland Bicycle Federation</p> <p>To support the Active Living in Chicago's Diverse Communities Program to help African American and Latino Chicagoans increase their physical activity.</p>		\$30,000
<p>Chicago Christian Industrial League</p> <p>To provide primary health care services and medications to 350 homeless men, women, and children in a transitional living program.</p>		\$25,000	<p>Children's Home & Aid Society of Illinois</p> <p>To implement a sustainable Coordinated School Health Model at Chase Elementary School as an example of holistic health programming for the Chicago Public Schools.</p>	\$25,000	

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<p>Children’s Memorial Foundation, Consortium to Lower Obesity in Chicago Children (CLOCC)</p> <p>To support Project IDEA, which will make CLOCC’s annual report available online and train six community organizers to promote healthy lifestyles in six underserved Chicago communities.</p>		\$50,000	<p>Corporation for Supportive Housing</p> <p>To support the Medicaid Supportive Services Project, designed to advocate for Medicaid reimbursement for supportive housing services.</p>	\$15,000	
<p>Children’s Research Triangle</p> <p>To provide Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Dyadic Therapy for two- to four-year-old adopted children with special needs and improve the relationship between these children and their parents.</p>	\$25,676	\$30,691	<p>Corporation for Supportive Housing</p> <p>To survey Federally Qualified Health Centers, research best practices, and develop a model program to obtain reimbursement for health care provided to people in supportive housing.</p>		\$25,000
<p>Chinese American Service League, Inc.</p> <p>To provide health education and health services and to promote disease prevention practices among low-income Chinese immigrants.</p>		\$15,000	<p>DePaul University College of Law, Family Law Center</p> <p>To evaluate the effectiveness and coordination of the criminal justice, court, social service, and health systems’ response to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault and to advocate for systemic change.</p>	\$40,000	\$25,000
<p>Chinese Mutual Aid Association</p> <p>To train and support low-income immigrants and refugees to become employed as Certified Nurse Assistants.</p>	\$25,000		<p>Erie Family Health Center</p> <p>To provide health education and coordination of services at the school-based health center at De Diego Community Academy.</p>	\$30,000	
<p>Circle Family Care, Inc.</p> <p>To provide health and mental health services in ten homeless shelters on Chicago’s West Side.</p>	\$25,000	\$25,000	<p>Erikson Institute</p> <p>To support training and consultation services for Healthy Families staff who provide intensive supportive services to at-risk families.</p>	\$30,000	\$30,000
<p>Community Counseling Centers of Chicago</p> <p>To support The Quetzal Center, which counsels survivors of sexual violence and provides advocacy, professional training, and school-based prevention programs.</p>		\$35,000	<p>Executive Service Corps of Chicago</p> <p>To support consulting services to build the capacity of organizations that provide health and health-related services to Chicago’s disadvantaged populations.</p>	\$30,000	\$30,000
<p>CommunityHealth</p> <p>To provide general operating support for this health clinic, where volunteer clinicians serve Chicago’s uninsured working poor.</p>	\$30,000	\$30,000	<p>Family Focus</p> <p>To provide services for pregnant and parenting teens in Englewood to help strengthen the parent-child bond and promote positive child development, with an emphasis on infant mental health.</p>	\$25,000	
<p>Connections for the Homeless</p> <p>To provide health and mental health services, health education, substance abuse assessment and treatment, vision and dental care for homeless people.</p>	\$30,250	\$30,000	<p>Genesis House</p> <p>To provide health services and health education on a mobile outreach vehicle to women engaged in prostitution.</p>	\$30,000	

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<p>Health & Disability Advocates</p> <p>To train health care workers and social service case managers about programs for which their clients may be eligible; to provide follow-up technical assistance and client advocacy.</p>	\$50,000	\$50,000
<p>Health and Medicine Policy Research Group</p> <p>To underwrite the Chicago Area Schweitzer Fellows Program, which places students training for careers as health professionals in projects that benefit underserved communities.</p>	\$30,000	\$30,000
<p>Healthy Schools Campaign</p> <p>To promote healthy eating and active lifestyles in Chicago Public Schools by building partnerships among institutional, community, and school stakeholders.</p>	\$25,000	\$25,000
<p>Heartland Alliance</p> <p>To support the Marjorie Kovler Center for the Treatment of Survivors of Torture, which provides comprehensive medical and mental health care for 300 survivors of torture.</p>	\$50,000	\$30,000
<p>Horizon Hospice</p> <p>To conduct a feasibility study to determine the advisability of opening an in-patient hospice facility in Chicago.</p>	\$25,000	
<p>Housing Opportunities for Women</p> <p>To support the Health Services Program, providing clinical care, health education, and referrals for homeless women and their children.</p>		\$15,000
<p>Howard Brown Health Center</p> <p>To support incorporation of the American Medical Association's evidence-based clinical performance measures into an electronic health record system.</p>		\$25,000
<p>Illinois Center for Violence Prevention, Evaluation Resource Institute</p> <p>To provide evaluation and capacity-building services for Michael Reese Health Trust's Responsive grantees, including intensive coaching and workshops.</p>	\$49,664	\$50,000

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<p>Illinois Children's Mental Health Partnership (fiscal sponsor is Voices for Illinois Children)</p> <p>To develop and implement a community-based mental health consultation model to enable mental health providers to meet the needs of children ages birth to seven.</p>	\$26,000	\$50,000
<p>Illinois College of Optometry</p> <p>To support the Vision of Hope Health Alliance, which provides comprehensive vision care, primary health care, health education, and social services for underserved populations.</p>	\$25,000	\$25,000
<p>Illinois Facilities Fund (IFF)</p> <p>To provide strategic facilities planning services for community-based health clinic sites.</p>	\$50,000	\$50,000
<p>Illinois Maternal and Child Health Coalition</p> <p>To support the Illinois Coalition for School Health Centers' Administrative Cost-Sharing Project to plan, design, and pilot a centralized administrative cost-sharing system.</p>	\$25,000	\$35,000
<p>Infant Welfare Society of Chicago</p> <p>To support the Healthy Steps Program, which provides guidance and support to parents of children ages birth to three.</p>		\$25,000
<p>Interfaith Council for the Homeless</p> <p>To provide supportive services and case management to formerly homeless individuals residing in permanent housing.</p>	\$20,000	\$20,000
<p>Interfaith House</p> <p>To provide respite and supportive services to homeless men and women who have been released from the hospital and need time and care to recover from illness or injury.</p>	\$25,000	\$25,000
<p>Interfaith Housing Development Corporation of Chicago</p> <p>For planning and pre-development to create Clara's Village, 42 units of supportive housing for battered women and their children.</p>	\$20,000	

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<p>Jane Addams Senior Caucus</p> <p>To support the Back Home Project, organizing elderly residents to advocate with building owners for a resident services coordinator.</p>	\$15,000	
<p>Jane Addams Senior Caucus</p> <p>To organize groups of elderly to advocate for changes to the Illinois Community Care Program, with the goal of preventing inappropriate nursing home admissions.</p>		\$15,000
<p>John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County, Division of Endocrinology (fiscal sponsor is Hektoen Institute)</p> <p>To support detection and management of metabolic syndrome and pre-diabetes by transferring current evidence into routine practice.</p>		\$48,400
<p>Kartemquin Educational Films</p> <p>To support production and distribution of a one-hour documentary film, "In the Family," exploring the human side of familial breast and ovarian cancer and genetic testing.</p>	\$10,000	\$25,000
<p>Korean American Community Services</p> <p>To increase breast and cervical cancer awareness and screening rates by providing education and access to health services for Korean American women.</p>		\$10,000
<p>Lawndale Christian Health Center</p> <p>To provide in-home lead risk assessment and intervention education targeting families with children ages birth to 36 months.</p>		\$40,000
<p>Lawrence Hall Youth Services</p> <p>To provide art and music therapy for emotionally, physically, and sexually abused youth.</p>	\$25,000	\$25,000
<p>Logan Square Neighborhood Association</p> <p>To connect low-income Latino immigrant families with health care benefits for which they are eligible and to community clinics so they can receive health care.</p>		\$25,000

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<p>Lumity, formerly the IT Resource Center</p> <p>To provide technology assessment, planning, training, and consulting services for Health Trust grantees.</p>		\$40,000
<p>Mental Health Association of Greater Chicago</p> <p>To educate adolescents at Benito Juarez High School in Pilsen about mental health issues, promoting early detection and referral to services for those in need.</p>		\$24,000
<p>Metropolitan Family Services</p> <p>To support Healthy Families, a child abuse prevention program that offers child development education, parenting skills training, home visits, and case management for first-time teen mothers.</p>		\$25,000
<p>Mujeres Latinas en Acción</p> <p>To provide assessment and crisis intervention services, case management, individual and group counseling, community/professional training education, criminal court advocacy, and medical advocacy to Latina victims of sexual assault.</p>	\$20,000	
<p>Music Theatre Workshop</p> <p>To support the Fabulous Females Research and Advocacy Project to address the conditions that perpetuate the cycle of violence faced by court-involved girls in Illinois.</p>		\$30,000
<p>Night Ministry</p> <p>To provide health services, including disease management, to homeless individuals, mostly youth.</p>	\$25,000	\$25,000
<p>Oak Park-River Forest Infant Welfare Clinic</p> <p>To expand service hours at the dental clinic, increasing the number of clients served and reducing waiting time for appointments.</p>	\$34,659	\$21,280
<p>Orchard Village</p> <p>To support the Salubris ("Healthy Living") Project, designed to reduce obesity among individuals with developmental disabilities residing in group homes.</p>		\$40,000

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<p>PCC Wellness Center</p> <p>To provide comprehensive pre- and post-natal services to low-income women on Chicago's West Side.</p>	\$30,000	\$30,000
<p>Peace Games</p> <p>To support development of Peace Games in Chicago, a violence prevention program that seeks to promote social and emotional development of youth.</p>		\$51,750
<p>Public Health Institute of Metropolitan Chicago, formerly the Chicago Center for Health Systems Development (fiscal sponsor for the Chicago Department of Public Health)</p> <p>To support a coordinator for Healthy South Chicago, a community-based coalition that addresses health priorities in South Chicago.</p>	\$50,000	\$50,000
<p>Rape Victim Advocates</p> <p>To provide a continuum of care, through counseling, prevention education, and advocacy, to adolescent rape survivors and those at risk for sexual violence.</p>	\$30,000	\$30,000
<p>Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago</p> <p>To provide medical services, conduct research in disabled women's health issues, and provide educational and support resources for women and teenage girls with disabilities.</p>	\$25,000	
<p>Rush University Medical Center</p> <p>To study the health care needs of older adults on Chicago's Near West Side and plan appropriate health promotion activities in response to the study's findings.</p>	\$34,980	
<p>Safer Pest Control Project</p> <p>To support Integrated Pest Management in Chicago Public Schools and provide technical assistance to Chicago Public Schools personnel.</p>	\$30,000	\$30,000
<p>Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law</p> <p>To support the Illinois Health Advocacy Project, through which the organization advocates on behalf of the uninsured and low-income children and families in health policy debates.</p>	\$50,000	\$50,000

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<p>St. Bernard Hospital and Health Care Center</p> <p>To support the Pediatric Mobile Health Unit, providing immunizations, physical exams, and health education to children.</p>	\$30,000	\$30,000
<p>Supportive Housing Providers Association</p> <p>To support a study of supportive housing in Illinois that will evaluate the type and cost of services used by a sample of residents before and after they enter supportive housing.</p>		\$30,000
<p>Swedish Covenant Hospital</p> <p>To provide mental health services at the Roosevelt High School Health Center, including individual and group counseling and education, and to advocate for continued mental health services in schools.</p>	\$30,000	\$30,000
<p>Target Area Development Corporation</p> <p>To support a coordinator for the Chicago Project for Violence Prevention's CeaseFire initiative in the Auburn Gresham and Englewood communities.</p>	\$45,000	\$30,000
<p>Teen Living Programs, Inc.</p> <p>To provide on-site primary care, health education and referrals, mental health services, and nutrition education to formerly homeless youth.</p>	\$37,000	\$25,000
<p>Test Positive Aware Network, Inc.</p> <p>To pilot Mobile TEAM, a peer-led curriculum-based HIV treatment education program focused on disease management and prevention of secondary infection in the Austin neighborhood.</p>		\$16,500
<p>Trilogy</p> <p>To support the Linkage Outreach and Triage Program, connecting people in need of mental health services to available resources.</p>	\$20,000	\$20,000
<p>University of Chicago Hospitals</p> <p>To support the Mobile Care Teen Clinic, providing health promotion and education, physicals, STD screenings, gynecological exams, and subspecialty referrals.</p>		\$30,000

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Westside Health Authority To increase healthy behaviors among youth through physical fitness, nutrition, and health education.	\$25,000	\$25,000
Westside Health Partnership To provide health and social services to pregnant and parenting women who are in prison or being released from prison and returning to their communities.	\$40,000	
White Crane Wellness Center To support the Holistic Health Outreach Initiative to reduce barriers to health care access for at-risk underserved elderly of many ethnicities.		\$30,000
The Women's Treatment Center To hire a pediatric psychiatrist who will be responsible for providing assessments and therapy to children.		\$25,000
World Relief—Chicago To provide group and individual counseling, home visits, and advocacy on behalf of immigrants and refugees.	\$25,000	
Young Women's Empowerment Project To provide health education, leadership development, and support to girls who are in the sex trade.	\$20,000	\$20,000
Youth Guidance To provide health education at the Roberto Clemente Wildcats Student Health Center.	\$35,000	\$35,000

Grantmaking Guidelines

The primary focus of the Michael Reese Health Trust is to improve the health status of vulnerable populations in the Chicago metropolitan area. The Health Trust is committed to supporting community-based health education and health services that are accessible, affordable, and culturally and linguistically competent. We are especially interested in efforts to address the barriers that prevent vulnerable groups from accessing quality health care, and in programs that deliver comprehensive, coordinated services.

We recognize that improving the health of vulnerable groups requires more than offering quality health care. Effective grantmaking must address the complex range of social, economic, and environmental factors that shape a community's health and well-being. To this end, the Health Trust supports efforts to document effective delivery models and implementation strategies, as well as projects aimed at achieving lasting, systemic change.

Target Populations

The Health Trust addresses the health concerns of the most vulnerable members of society, particularly those who are isolated by poverty, race or ethnicity, language, culture, and other factors that make them difficult to reach.

Our target populations include:

- Children and youth
- People with mental and physical disabilities
- The elderly
- Immigrants and refugees
- Uninsured, medically indigent, and other underserved populations

To emphasize the Health Trust's Jewish heritage, we give special consideration to programs that serve members of the Jewish community who fall within these populations.

Types of Support

The Health Trust will entertain requests for both general and project support. We will consider both one-year and multi-year requests. Examples include:

- Increasing access to health services
- Improving coordination of health services
- Innovative approaches to delivering community-based health services
- Services to improve community health through health promotion and disease prevention
- Evaluation to strengthen the knowledge base underlying improvements in health and health care
- Education to improve the ability of health care providers to treat targeted populations
- Policy analysis of health issues affecting target populations
- Advocacy to improve health care systems for vulnerable groups
- Health workforce development that addresses the needs of vulnerable populations
- Planning grants to strengthen programs or organizations

The Health Trust does not make grants for:

- Capital needs, such as buildings, renovations, vehicles, and equipment
- Endowment
- Fundraising events, including sponsorship, tickets, and advertising
- Debt reduction
- Individual and scholarship support

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