To Our Colorado Community

C A R I N G  f o r  C O L O R A D O  Foundation—A Health Grantmaker
Improving health care in this state will take continued, focused and diligent work.

Hedgehogs and Foxes: Isaiah Berlin divided the world into those two groups in his 1953 essay based upon an ancient Greek parable: “The fox knows many things, but the hedgehog knows one...” Fifty years later, best selling Colorado author, Jim Collins, used the same parable to describe successful companies. Those who build them, he said, are hedgehogs that are fiercely focused on the one big thing that drives their business.

We believe one must have attributes of both: the keen observation of a fox, and the back-to-basics discipline of that single-minded hedgehog.

At Caring for Colorado, we have continued our grantmaking focus on expanding access and capacity in our health care system. We also value experience and understanding. We are building on the lessons we’ve learned from granting $50 million to health care organizations in Colorado, on the insights of our grantees and on the lives of those who now have a health care home.

Improving health care in this state will take continued, focused and diligent work in communities across Colorado. At the same time, it will take a broad and unified effort to create a vision for national, state and local health care reform. It will take a new understanding of how the health of one affects the health of all. It will require a commitment to preventive care instead of the endless financial burden of chronic disease; it will take invigorated support for our primary care system and a pledge to maintain our nation’s public health system so that we can build the foundation for a healthy tomorrow.

It will take both. It will take all of us.

Chris Wiant
President and CEO, Caring for Colorado

2008 Grants: Expanding access to care for underserved populations

Nearly 60,000 people in Colorado will receive health care services from agencies supported with 2008 CFC funding.

2008 Foundation grants will help provide more than 113,000 annual patient visits.

2008 grant dollars will provide more than 40,000 trips for medical care in communities across the state.
Inner City Health Center is a private, non-profit, volunteer-based health care facility committed to improving the health of low-income and medically uninsured families.

Near the bustle of the city’s business center, the confluence of the downtown diagonal grid and the east-west grid of Denver’s neighborhoods creates a five-way intersection: hence the name Five Points, one of the city’s oldest and most medically underserved neighborhoods.

Not long ago, lines of people formed in the early morning hours at 34th and Downing outside the old Inner City Health Center. Some were desperate to get dental treatment before going to work, others were without work altogether. Each month only 30 people could be treated, and the rest were turned away.

Today, there are no lines at Inner City; there is a new medical and dental clinic instead. The Center opened the doors to its new home at 38th and York in early 2009. Inner City Executive Director Kraig Burleson says he expects 25,000 patient visits in 2009-10, and up to 35,000 within five years. That is double the capacity of the previous clinic, and a long journey from 25 years ago when the clinic opened and logged just 2,000 patient visits in its first year.

What was started in 1983 as a neighborhood clinic by three people who had a heart for the medically indigent, has now grown to a metropolitan, award-winning health care center. More than 30% of its patients come from outside Denver including Arapahoe, Jefferson and Adams counties. It is the only safety net provider in the metro area without geographic restrictions on whom they will serve.

In early 2009, Inner City Health Center opened the doors to its newly renovated medical and dental clinic and a new chapter in the Center’s history. Twenty-five years ago, the Center was handling 2,000 patient visits annually; by 2015, the Center expects to be providing at least 35,000 patient visits per year.
Medical providers who volunteer their time are part of the key to Inner City’s success. Since 2007, dental hygienist Yasmin Hamzeh has donated a couple days each week at the clinic.

The provider dedication is impressive: ninety percent of the physicians and nurses, and 30% of the dentists are volunteers. Both patients and caregivers underscore the constant theme of respect, even when it comes to payment for services. The uninsured, who make up approximately 66% of the center’s patients, are charged on a sliding scale fee based upon their income and ability to pay. Such payment, say Center staff, allows patients to participate in their care. Another 34% of the patients are on Medicare or Medicaid.

Patient revenue makes up 40% of the Center’s budget. The rest comes from donations and grants, like those from Caring for Colorado (CFC). CFC has funded Inner City with multiple grants over the past eight years totaling more than $1 million. In 2008, a grant of $200,000, helped the center reach its nearly $5 million capital campaign goal needed to purchase and renovate the 38th & York facility.

"Inner City Health Center is a perfect fit with CFC’s commitment to increasing access to health care for the underserved. Anyone who saw how cramped the space had become at the former site will be thrilled with the beautiful, spacious new clinic. It’s wonderful that Inner City will now be able to expand its capacity to provide more people with high quality medical and dental care," says CFC Program Vice President Susan Hill.

Next for the center will be an ongoing series of community seminars on everything from obesity and nutrition to the importance of childhood immunizations. “All members of a community are affected by the poor health status of its least healthy member,” Burleson says. “Ultimately, the programs of Inner City Health Center will affect positive change for this community as a whole.”
On the southern bank of Colorado’s Arkansas River, where the water flows from the mountains to the prairie and farm lands of Otero County, lies the town of La Junta. “La Junta” appropriately means “the junction.” It was once the junction where the Sante Fe Trail branched south to New Mexico and west to Pueblo. Today, it is also a place where lives branch off in new directions with the help of a program at Otero Junior College funded in part with a three-year, $115,000 grant from Caring for Colorado. The Nontraditional Evening and Weekend (N.E.W.) Program provides nursing courses during hours when non-traditional students can access them, allowing for second careers, retraining and the filling of local and regional jobs amidst a critical nursing shortage. The CFC grant helped to double the size of the overall program, which now draws students from as far away as Denver and Greeley — and makes it possible for their dreams of becoming a nurse to come true.
Nursing students at Otero train inside a mobile clinical simulation laboratory. The lab shuttles back and forth between Otero Junior College and Lamar Community College, and it was made possible by leveraging existing grants. The lab was built with monies from The Department of Labor’s Employment and Training Administration Community-Based Job Training Grant program.

Building Programs for Nurse Education

I wanted to change to something more fulfilling… It’s been a long road, but very rewarding at the same time.

Left: Otero students Hope Gonzales and Amanda Clerkin

Students in the Otero Junior College N.E.W. (Nontraditional Evening and Weekend) Nursing Program have begun to fill critical nursing positions in the three-county area of Otero, Bent and Crowley counties. CFC funding allowed the college to double the size of its nursing program through the N.E.W. classes. One hundred percent of the 22 nursing graduates in 2008 are currently working either as LPNs or RNs. The US, including Colorado, is in the midst of a growing nursing shortage. The Colorado Health Institute projects that more than 2,000 new RNs will be needed each year in the state to fill the projected demand, and that in percentage terms, the state’s demand for nurses is anticipated to be the fifth highest of all the states in the country.
Patients and providers in rural areas face very different obstacles than those in urban areas. According to the National Rural Health Association, rural Americans face a unique combination of factors that create disparities in health care:

- Only about ten percent of physicians practice in rural America despite the fact that nearly one-fourth of the population lives in these areas.
- Hypertension is higher in rural than urban areas.
- Twenty percent of nonmetropolitan counties lack mental health services versus five percent of metropolitan counties.

Hinsdale County, Colorado, by some measures, is considered the most remote county in the contiguous United States. The U.S. Geological Survey says this southwest Colorado County has more wild and roadless land per capita than anywhere else in the Lower 48. A 2007 issue of the journal Science claims Hinsdale County to be one of the few places a person can wander more than 10 miles and not find a road. The words “remote” and “frontier” are still very much a part of the vernacular here. That is why many people either vacation or choose to live in Lake City, the only municipality in Hinsdale County.

Hinsdale County’s isolation extends to conveniences and services, as well. Living in an isolated community can mean traveling long and sometimes treacherous stretches of snow-covered highways to reach medical and dental care, whether for emergency services, or for routine care. Lake City residents would often make the 100-mile round-trip to Gunnison just for a dental check-up, a lab draw or an x-ray. For some, that meant forgoing care they needed.

Starting in 2001, Caring for Colorado began to fund the infrastructure, professional staff and programming.
for public health, medical and dental care in Lake City. The tangible effects were immediately evident: a location for public health services, which meant public health programs delivered locally such as Women, Infants and Children (WIC), immunizations and school health; the formation of a dental clinic, and the doubling of medical staff at the Lake City Medical Center, from one provider to two.

In the case of dental services, the community can now provide school-based dental screenings and preventive care for children and routine and emergency dental care for adults. “Each year, the percentage of children whom we are seeing is increasing; by reaching these children while they are young, we hope to improve the oral health of generations,” said Candy Beebe, the former Lake City Public Health Director.

Lake City residents say that Caring for Colorado’s multiple grants have done more than just provide medical and dental care. They say the support has helped them build up their community, to work together to form partnerships, to create a more attractive place for providers, residents and destination travelers, and even create a more supportive atmosphere in which to raise children.

“We consider our grantmaking a partnership with non-profits and communities around the state,” said CFC CEO Chris Wiant, “And because of our focus on sustainability and long-term health outcomes, we are committed to the communities with which we work. We knew that multiple grants to Lake City would continue to benefit the health of that community. They were able to take moderate amounts of money, about $300,000 in total, and really work hard to leverage those dollars to dramatically change the health care landscape for residents there.”

Hard work is what former Public Health Director Candy Beebe might underscore. In a report to Caring for Colorado she wrote, “Only three years ago, Lake City Dental Clinic was just a small thought and a big dream... It is amazing every time I think about what has happened. How hard we worked to develop a board and write a grant and then that discouraging few months when there was no dentist or hygienist. We have come a long way.”
The Caring for Colorado Foundation recently passed an important milestone in the history of the organization’s grantmaking — $50 million in a variety of health grants have been awarded across the entire State of Colorado. These dollars have been focused upon increasing the capacity of the health care system so that all of the citizens of the state can access health services regardless of where they live or their financial situation, reducing specific barriers to access of care where this is an issue, and connecting people to health care systems that can provide them quality care.

These dollars have expanded access and capacity to medical services in rural communities, promoted increased access to mental health and oral health services, helped thousands of children and their families find a medical home, and have made a significant contribution towards the development of an effective safety net for Colorado’s most vulnerable and underserved populations.

Caring for Colorado has demonstrated the effectiveness of community collaborative efforts, and many of the dollars granted to the various health care agencies and organizations have served to leverage even more dollars. Thus the fiscal impact of the $50 million has been even more expansive.

By ensuring that the health care projects funded have realistic and measurable goals, the Foundation has placed a visible stamp on the health-care envelope of Colorado, and we remain true to our vision of ensuring that Coloradans are the healthiest people in the nation.

Tom Westfall
Board Chair, Caring for Colorado

In 2008, the Caring for Colorado Foundation granted its 50-millionth dollar to help improve the health and health care of the people of Colorado.

After eight years of grantmaking, this is an important financial milestone. Yet, we believe that there is something even more important; it is the accountability we owe for how those dollars were spent and how they continue to serve the people of Colorado.
Caring for Colorado helped launch a significant public health improvement process in the state of Colorado with the Public Health Summit. At the end of 2008, the Foundation helped bring together more than 300 people in public health positions statewide to begin implementation of Senate Bill 194, legislation requiring state and local health agencies to develop public health improvement plans by the end of 2010. In partnership with the Public Health Alliance of Colorado, a collaborative of 10 organizations working to strengthen public health in the state, and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, the Foundation hosted a two-day meeting of plenary sessions and work groups. Additionally, Caring for Colorado helped fund the staff at CDPHE for planning and implementation of the Public Health Act.

A Commitment to the Public’s Health
Hosting a Statewide Summit

Resources—Visit the websites below for the following public health information:

- For podcasts from the Public Health Summit: www.caringforcolorado.org/NewsAndEvents/PublicHealthSummit
- For an update from the Office of Planning and Partnerships: www.cdphe.state.co.us/opp/publichealthact/PHACTUPDATEMarch09.pdf
- For more information about Public Health Act: www.cdphe.state.co.us/oll/pubhealthact.html or www.publichealthalliance.org/index.php?s=21
- For a state-by-state look at how federal public health dollars are spent, and key state health facts: www.rwjf.org/pr/product.jsp?id=39789 or www.rwjf.org/files/research/tfahshortchanging2009fnlrv2.pdf
- Learn about what the current economic climate is doing to public health in other parts of the country: www.rwjf.org/publichealth/product.jsp?id=39848
- Learn more about the vital role of public health: www.rwjf.org/publichealth/product.jsp?id=39388
- Exactly what is public health? Find out from these college students’ sticker campaign as part of National Public Health Week: www.thisispublichealth.org/

“The public health infrastructure is frayed at the edges. I think it’s time to look at the whole system now — how the state and local public health system work together. If people come together and there’s real leadership, the public health infrastructure can be rebuilt in a way that provides equal access to public health services for every person in Colorado.”
—Chris Wiant, CFC CEO

Public health acts on the knowledge that health is a fundamental resource to the individual, to the community and to society as a whole and must be supported by soundly investing in living conditions that create, maintain and protect health.

—Ilona Kickbusch, (1989), Good Planets Are Hard to Find
The Caring for Colorado Foundation is a private foundation working to promote the health and health care needs of the people of Colorado. In 2008, the foundation awarded $8,131,462 in grants to 133 non-profit and governmental entities throughout the state.

### 2008 Grant Awards

**C A R I N G f o r C O L O R A D O** Foundation — A Health Grantmaker

#### Access Counseling
**Boulder and Broomfield counties**
To support the provision of mental health services to individuals and families — **$20,000**
[www.accessboulder.org](http://www.accessboulder.org)

#### African Community Center
**Arapahoe, Denver and Jefferson counties**
To provide access to health services for refugees from countries such as Sudan, Burma, Burundi, Congo, Ethiopia, Iran, Russia and Somalia — **$39,199**
[www.africancommunitycenter.net](http://www.africancommunitycenter.net)

#### Alzheimer’s Association
**Colorado Chapter**
**Statewide**
To support the Savvy Caregiver Training Program for caregivers of Alzheimer’s patients — **$25,000**
[alz.org/co/index.asp](http://alz.org/co/index.asp)

#### American Diabetes Association—Colorado Area
**Statewide**
To support Por Tu Familia, an evidence-based program to promote healthy lifestyles for Latinos — **$35,000**

#### American Red Cross
**Mile High Chapter Denver Metro**
To support the purchase of a vehicle to provide non-emergency medical transportation — **$24,325**
[www.denver-redcross.org/site/PageServer](http://www.denver-redcross.org/site/PageServer)

#### Bayaud Enterprises
**Denver Metro**
To support Bayaud Navigates: Communities of Care, a care coordination effort for Bayaud clients — **$102,000 over two years**
[www.bayaudindustries.org](http://www.bayaudindustries.org)

#### Bent County Family Medical
**Bent County**
To support a diabetes prevention project aimed at high-risk elementary school children and their families — **$50,000**

#### Bent County HealthCare Center
**Bent County**
To help a rural health care center implement an electronic medical record system — **$42,000**
[www.bentcounty.org/services/healthcare.htm](http://www.bentcounty.org/services/healthcare.htm)

#### Bonfils Blood Center Foundation
**Statewide**
To support the purchase of a bloodmobile — **$43,000**
[www.bonfils.org](http://www.bonfils.org)

#### Boulder County AIDS Project (BCAP)
**Boulder County**
To provide HIV/AIDS education and prevention services in Longmont — **$23,000**
[www.bcap.org](http://www.bcap.org)

#### Boys & Girls Club/Girls Inc. of Pueblo County & Lower Arkansas Valley
**Pueblo County**
To support the Triple Play Program, which promotes physical activity, improved nutrition and positive social interaction for youth in Pueblo — **$50,000**
[www.girlsinc.org/find/p7_colorado.html](http://www.girlsinc.org/find/p7_colorado.html)
Caring for Colorado grants are focused on increasing access to health care for underserved populations, building capacity in the health care system, developing integrated health care systems, and supporting programs that link people to care.

Boys & Girls Clubs of the San Luis Valley
*Alamosa, Conejos and Rio Grande counties*
To support the Triple Play Program, which promotes physical activity, improved nutrition and positive social interaction for youth in the San Luis Valley — $50,000
www.bgcslv.org

Boys and Girls Clubs of Chaffee County
*Chaffee County*
To support the Triple Play Program that promotes physical activity, improved nutrition and positive social interactions for youth in Buena Vista and Salida — $26,240

Brothers Redevelopment, Inc.
*Denver Metro*
To support the Home Maintenance and Repair Program that helps low-income seniors and disabled persons maintain independent living — $20,000
www.brothersredevelopment.org

Centennial Area Health Education Center (CAHEC)
*Cheyenne, Kit Carson, Lincoln, Phillips, Sedgwick, Washington and Yuma counties*
To support a school-based dental screening and sealant program for children in grades K–3 — $145,160
www.cahec.org

Canon City Golden Age Council, Inc.
*Prelmont County*
To help support the Canon City Golden Age Council’s Golden Shuttle Transportation Program to transport seniors to and from health care appointments and therapy — $17,534

Center for Hearing, Speech, and Language (CHSL)
*Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Denver, Douglas, El Paso and Jefferson counties*
For Kidscreen: Kids Come First! to provide early childhood screenings to low-income children — $16,000
www.chsl.org

Center for Neurological Diseases/ Rocky Mountain Multiple Sclerosis Center
*Denver Metro*
To support the King Adult Day Enrichment Program for adults with Multiple Sclerosis and other acquired neurological disabilities — $25,000
www.mscenter.org/content/view/161/194

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Foundation (CDC Foundation)
*Statewide*
To support the Denver Meta-Leadership Summit for Preparedness, that will engage the public and private sectors in planning for response to public health or other community emergencies — $23,500
www.cdcfoundation.org
Centro de la Familia  
El Paso County  
To provide culturally appropriate mental health services for mono-lingual Spanish speaking and Native American populations — $43,000  
www.clinicatepeyac.org

CHARG Resource Center  
Denver Metro  
To support the Smart Mouths Project, a dental program for mental health consumers — $26,625  
www.charg.org

Child and Migrant Services, Inc.  
Mesa County  
To promote the mental health of migrant and seasonal farm workers and their families in Mesa County — $23,000  
www.charg.org

Christian Healing Network,  
dba Mission Medical Clinic  
El Paso and Teller counties  
To purchase dental equipment — $3,995  
www.missionmedicalclinic.org

City of Lakewood Recreation Division  
Jefferson County  
To support the Fun In Training Program that promotes physical activity, nutrition education and behavior modification for youth in Lakewood — $5,428  
www.lakewood.org/comres/page.cfm?ID=637&FunInTrainingorFIT

Clinica Campesina Family Health Services  
Boulder County  
To support the construction of the new People’s Clinic facility in Boulder — $150,000  
www.clinica.org/peoples.php

Clinica Tepeyac, Inc.  
Denver County  
To increase clinic capacity through a capital construction project — $50,000  
www.clinicatepeyac.org

ClinicNet, Inc.  
Statewide  
To support ClinicNet’s work with safety net clinics across Colorado — $23,827  
www.clinicnet.org

Colorado Association for School-Based Health Care  
Statewide  
To support Colorado Association for School-Based Health Care’s training and technical assistance programs in planning and implementing School-Based Health Centers — $30,000  
www.casbhc.org

Colorado Center on Law and Policy  
Statewide  
To support the Affordability Project — $50,000  
www.cclponline.org

Colorado Children’s Healthcare Access Program  
Denver Metro  
To support Colorado Children’s Healthcare Access Program in its efforts to improve access to care for children enrolled in Medicaid or CHP+ — $45,000  
www.chap.org

Colorado Children’s Immunization Coalition  
Statewide  
To educate medical providers on access and delivery of vaccines — $25,000  
www.childrensimmunization.org

Colorado Clinical Guidelines Collaborative  
Statewide  
To support Redesigning Health Care: Improving Performance in Practice — $100,000  
www.coloradoguidelines.org

Colorado Commission on Aging  
Statewide  
To support Senior Source — $50,000  
www.cdhs.state.co.us/aas/commissiononaging_index.htm

Colorado Cross Disability Coalition  
Statewide  
To support training of volunteer health care advocates and to assist persons with disabilities in accessing health care services — $30,000  
www.ccdconline.org

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment  
Statewide  
For an assessment of Colorado’s Trauma System — $80,783  
www.cdphe.state.co.us/em/traumaconsultation

Colorado Health Institute  
Statewide  
To support the Colorado Health Institute’s work as an independent and impartial source of health information for policy makers, consumer groups and other interested parties — $490,000  
www.coloradohealthinstitute.org/about_CHI/about.aspx

Colorado Neurological Institute  
Lake and Rio Blanco counties  
To expand the Telemedicine Project that improves access to diagnosis and treatment of stroke through a statewide telemedicine network — $124,600  
www.thecki.org

Colorado Nonprofit Association  
Statewide  
To support a Leadership Luncheon on health care reform for Colorado nonprofits — $5,000  
www.coloradononprofits.org

Colorado Rural Health Center  
Statewide  
To support two of the Colorado Rural Health Center’s programs: The Provider Recruitment Program and The Rural Health Clinic Program — $175,000 over three years  
www.coruralhealth.org/crhc/index.html

Colorado Rural Health Center  
Logan County  
To provide administrative technical assistance to a rural health clinic — $5,500  
www.coruralhealth.org/crhc/programs/share_results.php?rec=27

Colorado Springs Ecumenical Social Ministries, Inc.  
El Paso County  
To support the provision of mental health services to low-income individuals — $26,760  
www.ecusocmin.org

Colorado State University  
Larimer County  
To support the program Heart Disease Prevention for the Medically Underserved — $50,000  
www.colostate.edu/about.aspx

Colorado West Regional Mental Health, Inc.  
Moffat County  
For a project to integrate mental health services into a primary care clinic in Craig — $100,000  
www.cwrmhc.org

Commerce City Health Services dba Community Health Services  
Adams County  
To support delivery of healthcare services at the Baker School-Based Health Clinic in Westminster — $70,000
“Our pilot program confirmed ... that when low-income children receive comprehensive primary care through a medical home, the cost of care decreases and the children’s health outcomes improve.”
— Steve Poole, MD, Professor and Vice Chair of Pediatrics, University of Colorado School of Medicine, CFC Grantee
East Phillips Hospital District, dba Melissa Memorial Hospital
Phillips County
To support construction of a new hospital in Holyoke — $50,000
www.melissamemorial.org

Elbert County Public Health
Elbert County
To purchase equipment for a community meeting room that will be used for health education and group exercise classes — $30,000
www.echealth.org

Family Advocacy, Care, Education, Support (FACES)
Metro Denver
To support the Home Visitation Program for the prevention and treatment of child abuse, neglect and family violence — $30,000
www.facesonline.org

Grand County
Rural Health Network
Grand County
To support the Health Advisor Program — $12,500
www.gcruralhealth.com

Gunnison Valley Hospital
Gunnison County
To purchase a two-way audiovisual teleconferencing system for the facilitation of timely mental health crises assessments in cooperation with Midwestern Mental Health of Montrose — $22,000
www.gvh-colorado.org and www.midwestmhc.org/ofca.html

Health District of Northern Larimer County
Larimer County
To support planning efforts for a community-wide oral health care initiative with the goal of improving access to oral health care — $7,509
www.healthdistrict.org

Health S.E.T. (Service, Empowerment, Transformation)
Denver County
To support Health Promotion Clinics for seniors living in low-income high rises in Denver — $40,000
www.healthset.org

Heuga Center for Multiple Sclerosis
Statewide
To support the JUMPSTART Programs — $15,000
www.heuga.org

Hilltop Community Resources, Inc.
Mesa County
To support the B4 Babies and Beyond Program, the single entry point for prenatal care services in Mesa County for low-income women — $35,000
www.htop.org

Howard Dental Center for HIV/AIDS Oral Health
Denver County
To support the provision of dental services to people with HIV/AIDS — $35,000
www.howarddental.org

Inner City Health Center
Denver County
To support the construction of a new expanded medical and dental clinic — $200,000
www.innercityhealth.com/ichc

Jeffereson Center for Mental Health
Jefferson County
To support the implementation of multi-systemic therapy, an evidence based program that helps youth who are experiencing mental illness and behavioral problems — $50,000 www.jeffersonmentalhealth.org

Jewish Family Service of Colorado
Denver Metro
For the provision of mental health services to Russian immigrants — $50,000
www.jewishfamilyservice.org

Karis Community
Adams, Arapahoe, Denver, Douglas and Jefferson counties
To support individual and group mental health therapy for Karis residents — $10,000
www.karismcommunity.net

La Puente Home, Inc.
Alamosa, Conejos, Costilla, Mineral, Rio Grande and Saguache counties
To support the Health Access Initiative for the Homeless that provides case management services to homeless individuals to address their health needs — $30,000
www.lapuente.net

Laradon Hall Society for Exceptional Children and Adults
Denver Metro
To purchase medical equipment — $21,100
www.laradon.org

Larimer Center for Mental Health
Larimer County
For the provision of mental health services to low-income individuals and families — $46,500
www.larimercenter.org

Limon Doctors Committee
dba Plains Medical Center
Lincoln County
For the expansion of oral health services in Limon and Strasberg — $150,000
www.plainsmedicalcenter.com

Lincoln Community Hospital and Nursing Home
Lincoln County
To support the purchase of an ambulance and for costs related to updating the hospital’s laboratory — $103,000
www.lincolncommunityhospital andnursinghome.com/default.aspx

Maria Droste Services of Colorado, Inc. dba MDS Counseling Center
Denver County
To support the Options Program that provides mental health counseling — $50,000
www.mdscounseling.org

Marillac Clinic, Inc.
Mesa County
For the provision of pediatric dental services — $104,000
www.marillacclinic.org

Memorial Hospital Foundation
Moffat County
To support the construction of a new facility for Memorial Hospital in Craig — $200,000
www.thememorialhospital.com/foundation.php

Metro Community Provider Network
Jefferson County
For construction of dental operators to create a dental clinic in Arvada for low-income and uninsured children and adults — $200,000
www.mcfn.com/giving/giving.htm

Midwestern Colorado Mental Health Center
Delta, Ouray, San Miguel and Montrose counties
To establish telehealth mental health services in Nucla, Telluride, Norwood and Delta — $75,000
www.midwestmhc.org

Mineral County Board of County Commissioners
Hinsdale, Mineral and Rio Grande counties
To support the Mineral County Medication Assistance Program — $20,000
www.mineralcountycolorado.com/commissioners.html
Montrose County Senior Citizens Transportation dba All Points Transit  
**Delta County**  
To provide transportation to medical visits for senior citizens and people with disabilities in Delta County — **$26,000**  
www.montrosetransit.org/aboutus.html

National Conference of State Legislatures  
**Statewide**  
To support the work of the National Conference of State Legislators to keep Colorado’s legislators informed about health care reform — **$5,000**  
www.ncsl.org

North Colorado Medical Center Foundation  
**Weld County**  
To expand the availability of early childhood mental health services to children under five years of age — **$50,000**  
www.ncmcfoundation.org

Northeast Colorado Health Department  
**Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, Yuma and Washington counties**  
To expand the availability of family planning services in Yuma, Sterling and Fort Morgan — **$78,160**  
www.ncdh.org

Northwest Fremont Emergency Medical Services, Inc.  
**Fremont County**  
To support the training of Emergency Medical Technicians and the purchase of medical equipment — **$4,000**  
www.nwemems.com

Office of Governor  
**Bill Ritter, Jr.**  
**Statewide**  
To support a study involving the review and synthesis of the available research regarding expanded and collaborative scopes of practice for advanced practice nurses, physician assistants and dental hygienists — **$53,240**  
www.coloradohealthinstiute.org/about_CHI/about.aspx

Otero Junior College  
**Bent, Crowley and Otero counties**  
To support a new nursing program, the Nontraditional Evening and Weekend (N.E.W.) Program — **$150,000 over three years**  
www.ojc.edu/AssociateNursing.aspx#AASPT

Parent Pathways, Inc.  
**Adams, Arapahoe, Denver and Jefferson counties**  
To help support the provision of health services for pregnant and parenting young women and their children at the Florence Crittenton School and Early Learning Center — **$25,000**  
www.parentpathways.org

Pioneers Medical Center- Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District  
**Rio Blanco County**  
To help support the purchase of a Multi-Slice Computed Tomography Scanner for the hospital — **$15,859**  
www.pioneershospital.com

Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains  
**Montezuma County**  
To support the Cortez Health Center in providing affordable reproductive health care services to a medically underserved population in southwest Colorado — **$50,000**  
www.plannedparenthood.org/health-center/centerDetails.asp?f=2169

Poudre Valley Health System Foundation  
**Larimer and Weld counties**  
To purchase a new ambulance — **$50,000**  
www.pvhs.org

Project PAVE, Inc.  
**Adams, Arapahoe, Denver and Jefferson counties**  
To help support Project Pave’s Clinical Counseling Program that provides individual, family and group counseling for children and youth, who are witnesses or victims of violence — **$20,000**  
www.projectpave.org

Project WISE  
**Adams and Denver counties**  
For mental health services for low-income, uninsured women who are unable to access public mental health services — **$35,000**  
www.denverprojectwise.org

Pueblo Community Health Center, Inc.  
**Pueblo County**  
To support the construction of a new clinic site that will expand the capacity of a community health center — **$200,000**  
www.pueblochc.org

Pueblo Suicide Prevention Center  
**Pueblo County**  
To support a statewide suicide prevention hotline — **$75,000 over three years**  
www.pueblospc.org

Rocky Mountain Adventist Healthcare Foundation  
**Statewide**  
To support the Butterfly Program, which provides end of life hospice and palliative care services for medically underserved, low-income children who are dying — **$25,000**  
www.rmahf.org/01

Rocky Mountain Health Care Services  
**El Paso County**  
To support PACE (Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly) — **$50,000**  
www.rockymountainhealth.org/index.asp

Saint Francis Center  
**Denver County**  
To support the construction of a new facility providing health care services to homeless people in Denver — **$50,000**  
www.sfddenver.org

Saint Luke’s Ministry  
**Adams Arapahoe, Denver and Jefferson counties**  
To support Saint Luke’s Ministry CNA Training Program, designed to help low-income workers pursue health care careers — **$20,000**  
www.stlukesministry.org/index.htm
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<td>Larimer, Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, Weld and Yuma counties</td>
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<td>$175,000</td>
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<td>La Plata County</td>
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<td>To support the Grow Your Own — Summer Health Careers Institute/Student Health Careers Guild that provides education and support to high school students interested in pursuing health careers</td>
<td>$26,944</td>
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<td>Custer, Fremont, Huerfano, Las Animas, Park and Pueblo counties</td>
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<td>To support the construction of an in-patient hospice facility in Pueblo</td>
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<td>Denver Metro</td>
<td>Health Care</td>
<td>To support the provision of mental health services to youth at risk for suicide</td>
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<td><a href="http://www.thesecondwindfund.org">www.thesecondwindfund.org</a></td>
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<td>Adams and Arapahoe counties</td>
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<td>Tri-County Family Care Center, Inc.</td>
<td>Bent, Crowley and Otero counties</td>
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<td>Uncompahgre Medical Center</td>
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<td>Baca, Bent, Carson, Cheyenne, Elbert, Kit, Kiowa, Lincoln, Logan, Morgan, Otero, Phillips, Prowers, Sedgwick, Washington and Yuma counties</td>
<td>Health Care</td>
<td>To support the Community Asthma Integration and Resources (Community AIR) project</td>
<td>$157,050 over two years</td>
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<td>University of Colorado Denver Refugee Mental Health Program of Colorado</td>
<td>Denver Metro</td>
<td>Health Care</td>
<td>To provide mental health services to refugees from countries such as Afghanistan, Iraq, Iran, Sudan, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Somalia, Liberia and Sierra Leon</td>
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<td>University of Colorado Denver School of Dental Medicine</td>
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<td>To support Un Boco Saludable, which will develop oral health messages to be broadcast on Denver’s major Spanish language radio and television stations</td>
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<td>University of Colorado Denver School of Pharmacy</td>
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<td>To create a case management program that focuses on the health of at-risk youth enrolled in the Bridge Project</td>
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<td><a href="http://www.du.edu/bridgeproject">www.du.edu/bridgeproject</a></td>
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<td>To support a home telemonitoring project for Denver Health patients with congestive heart failure</td>
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<td><a href="http://www.du.edu">www.du.edu</a></td>
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<td>Valley Citizens’ Foundation for Healthcare dba Rio Grande Hospital</td>
<td>Rio Grande County</td>
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<td>To support the construction of a new medical clinic in Del Norte</td>
<td>$150,000</td>
<td><a href="http://www.rio-grande-hospital.org">www.rio-grande-hospital.org</a></td>
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<td>Volunteers of America-Colorado Branch</td>
<td>Adams, Arapahoe, Denver, Jefferson and Larimer counties</td>
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<td>To support the Safety of Seniors Handyman Program, which reduces the risk of falls among low-income seniors through the assessment of home risks and home repairs by volunteer handymen</td>
<td>$50,000</td>
<td><a href="http://www.voacolorado.org">www.voacolorado.org</a></td>
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<td>Warren Village, Inc.</td>
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<td>To support the children at Warren Village in receiving physical exams, immunizations, vision and hearing screening and treatment for illness through weekly clinics staffed by volunteer physicians and medical students</td>
<td>$23,000</td>
<td><a href="http://www.warrenvillage.org">www.warrenvillage.org</a></td>
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“Thank you for being mindful of the challenges we face in Southeastern Colorado while trying to address the needs of our senior population. Your financial assistance has greatly enhanced the services provided by our association.”

— Lamar Area Hospice Association, CFC Grantee

Washington Dental Service Foundation

Statewide
To support the participation of the CU School of Medicine, Department of Family Medicine in development of the Smiles for Life Curriculum for the Society for Teachers of Family Medicine — $2,000
www.smilesforlife2.org

West Custer County Hospital District

Custer County
To help purchase medical equipment, including an ambulance, for a rural hospital district — $115,033
www.oem.custercountygov.com/amb.htm

Western Colorado Area Health Education Center (WCAHEC)

Delta, Garfield, Hinsdale and Montrose counties
To support a school based dental screening and sealant program for children in grades K–3 — $112,075
www.wcahec.org

Women’s Resource Center

Larimer County
To support the Health and Dental Care Assistance Program that provides patient navigation services and education to underserved women about early detection of breast and cervical cancer, HIV and STD prevention and dental hygiene — $24,010
www.womens-resource.org/text/history.html

YMCA of Metropolitan Denver

Denver County
To support CASASTART, a prevention program for youth, through three Denver Public Schools — $40,000
www.denverymca.org/casastart.aspx
## Statement of Financial Position

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Commitments and contingencies

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<td><strong>Revenue:</strong></td>
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<td>Interest and dividends</td>
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<td>Net realized and unrealized (loss) gain on investments</td>
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Based on use of one ton of coated paper stock*

3
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36,000,000
Energy consumption saved in BTUs

5,483
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16,980
Gallons of wastewater saved

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