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Holiday Season Grant Awards total \$287,500

The CareSource Foundation recently awarded its final round of quarterly grants for 2013. The Foundation provides grants to organizations in health and human services domains with a focus on children's health, issues of senior adults, community health, special needs populations and strategies to address the medically uninsured throughout the state of Ohio.

The CareSource Foundation was created to fund nonprofits that share the Foundation's mission of advancing the health and well-being of underserved people in the communities they serve by providing innovative solutions and funding to address health care needs. These grants have been selected through a rigorous review process that evaluates innovation, impact and sustainability.

CareSource 4th Quarter Foundation Grants Highlights:

- Hannah's Treasure Chest is an organization that responds to the needs of children by providing clothing, furniture, and toys to parents struggling to raise their children without sufficient resources. The CareSource grant will support operational expansion of the Hannah's Treasure Chest, which collaborates with more than 50 partner agencies on behalf of underserved children.
- Linda Vista is a transitional housing organization based in Dayton that provides safe shelter and a comprehensive self-sufficiency program for homeless women. Nearly 250 women and their children have been served by Linda Vista housing and homeless services since their launch in 2008. The CareSource grant will help provide transition and life skills for Linda Vista residents.

Funding by City:

Dayton, Ohio Area - \$70,000

Hannah's Treasure Chest

Cancer Support Community of Western Ohio

American Red Cross

Linda Vista

Compassionate Care of Shelby County

Cincinnati - \$40,500

Children's Home of Cincinnati

National Multiple Sclerosis Society of Ohio

Growing Well Cincinnati

The Drop Inn Center

Visiting Nurses Association Center

Cleveland / Akron / Massillon / Youngstown - \$81,500

Catholic Charities of Cleveland

Feeding Medina County

Free Medical Clinic of Cleveland

Golden Age Center

Nueva Luz Urban Resource Ctr.

Battered Women's Shelter of Summit & Medina (Akron)

Meals on Wheels of Stark & Wayne counties (Massillon)

Early Childhood Options

Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio

United Cerebral Palsy

United Methodist Community Center (Youngstown)

Women's Recovery Center

Columbus / Marietta / Oak Hill - \$43,000

Canine Companions for Independence

Cornerstone of Hope

Faith Mission

Greater Hilltop Area Shalom Zone

Madison County Health Partners

Eve, Inc. Marietta

Oaks United

Toledo / Delphos - \$52,500

Aurora Project

Cherry Street Mission

The Daughter Project

Rehabilitation Center for Neurological Development

The Fund for Public Health in Lucas County

YWCA of Northwest Ohio

Specialized Alternative for Families and Youth

Listing of CareSource Foundation grant recipients and their service:

1. American Red Cross (Dayton), to support operations of the emergency housing initiative.
2. Aurora Project (Toledo), for supportive housing services for homeless women and children.
3. Battered Women's Shelter of Summit & Medina counties (Akron), to support domestic violence education, prevention and outreach initiatives.
4. Cancer Support Community of Western Ohio (Dayton), to fund professionally-led cancer support groups in Miami County.

5. Canine Companions for Independence (Columbus), to provide highly-trained assistance dogs for people impacted by autism, spinal cord injuries, Muscular Dystrophy, hearing/sight issues and other disabilities.
6. Catholic Charities of Cleveland (Cleveland), to provide congregate and home-delivered hot meal for low-income senior adults at the St. Martin de Porres Family Center.
7. Cherry Street Mission (Toledo), to provide emergency housing for low-income/homeless mission at The Sparrow's Nest during the rescue phase of their transition to permanent housing.
8. Children's Home of Cincinnati (Cincinnati,) to provide mental health counseling for 200 uninsured children.
9. Compassionate Care of Shelby County (Sidney), to expand nurse practitioner services in the free medical and dental health clinic.
10. Cornerstone of Hope (Columbus), to provide comprehensive grief counseling and health coping skills for children who have lost a parent or sibling.
11. The Daughter Project (Toledo), to provide recovery services for girls who have been victims of human trafficking.
12. The Drop Inn Center (Cincinnati) to provide operating support for the largest homeless shelter in SW Ohio serving more than 2,000 individuals each year.
13. Early Childhood Options (Cleveland), to support a network of family child care homes for low-income children including programming that addresses health disparities in minority populations.
14. EVE, Inc. (Marietta), to help provide emergency transportation and shelter for the Family Violence Assistance Program.
15. Faith Mission (Columbus), to provide essential prescription and medical supplies for the free medical, dental and vision clinic.
16. Feeding Medina County (Cleveland), to provide fresh produce in food boxes for low-income senior adults.
17. Free Medical Clinic of Cleveland (Cleveland), to provide medical, behavioral health, dental, HIV/AIDS, substance abuse and case management services to uninsured residents in NE Ohio.
18. Golden Age Center (Cleveland), to provide meals for more than 2,000 homebound, low-income senior adults.
19. Greater Hilltop Area Shalom Zone (Columbus), to fund scholarships for 10 low-income students to participate in the summer Freedom School program.

20. Growing Well Cincinnati (Cincinnati), to provide a radiology sensor, the last piece of equipment needed to launch the Children's Oral Health Network in SW Ohio.
21. Madison County Health Partners (Columbus), to help expand diagnostic testing and prescription assistance in the free health clinic.
22. Meals on Wheels of Stark & Wayne counties (Massillon), to help coordinate meal deliveries to 15 community site locations with a focus on the "hidden hungry" low-income seniors and people with disabilities.
23. National Multiple Sclerosis Society of Ohio (Cincinnati), to help serve more than 6,000 families in 24 Ohio/N. Kentucky counties who have a family member with an M.S. diagnosis.
24. Nueva Luz Urban Resource Center (Cleveland), to expand housing coordination, youth development, legal, reproductive health, Latino fatherhood, and resource assistance programs in the impoverished Cudell neighborhood.
25. Oaks United (Oak Hill), to expand food programs for low-income students in elementary school.
26. Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio (Cleveland), to help decrease STD transmission through peer education outreach strategies.
27. Rehabilitation Center for Neurological Development (Toledo), to provide intensive rehab programs for older adults diagnosed with stroke or traumatic brain injury.
28. Specialized Alternatives for Families and Youth (Delphos), to assist with treatment, intervention, adoption and placement of children whose intensive needs cannot be managed through traditional foster care.
29. The Fund for Public Health in Lucas County (Toledo), to support the Ohio Institute for Equity in Birth Outcomes which is focused on decreasing infant mortality throughout the state of Ohio.
30. United Cerebral Palsy (Cleveland), to fund the "Steps to Independence" intensive therapy program for children with disabilities.
31. United Methodist Community Center (Youngstown), to help assist nearly 1,000 low-income, uninsured and/or homeless families in Mahoning County
32. Visiting Nurses Association (Cincinnati), to provide medical assistance to 2,900 uninsured individuals through the Cincinnati "Charity Care" program.
33. Women's Recovery Center (Cleveland), partnership with the Sherwin-Williams Foundation to assist in treating addicted mothers and their children through a variety of outpatient, treatment, education and social services.

34. YWCA of Northwest Ohio (Toledo), to support the “Health & Wellness Program for Minority Women” in Lucas County.

About CareSource

CareSource is a nonprofit health plan headquartered in Dayton, Ohio. As one of the nation’s largest Managed Medicaid Plans, CareSource serves nearly 1 million Medicaid consumers in Ohio and Kentucky. As of Oct. 1, the CareSource Just4Me health plan is available on the Ohio Health Insurance Marketplace. CareSource understands the challenges consumers face navigating the health system and works to put health care in reach for those it serves.