

Pacific Institute for Community Organizations

(Oakland, CA)

Health Policy Action Project

Total Award: \$100,000 over 1 year

To support the Health Policy Action Project to advocate for the uninsured and the underinsured in California and at the federal level. In California, the project will focus on developing volunteers in local communities, building public support and awareness for the campaign to insure all children, and focus the attention of policymakers on children's health. At the national level, PICO will create a sustained dialogue between uninsured families and their federal representatives, coordinate the activities of PICO federations in 150 cities and 18 states, and continue to build PICO's capacity to act on health care at multiple levels. The goal of the project is to see an increase in the number of community leaders who are actively engaged in health care policy reform; an increase in local organizing activity on health care; and a heightened awareness among local and federal health care policymakers about the need for children's health coverage.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$100,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*