

Connecticut Citizen Research Group, Inc.
(West Hartford, CT)
Corporations, Healthcare and Democracy

Total Award: \$100,000 over 1 year

Program Contribution

Health Program, \$50,000

Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic
Justice, \$50,000

Presidential Authority Grant

To support the Corporations, Healthcare and Democracy project to engage the labor, campaign finance, health care and corporate responsibility communities in a campaign to encourage pharmaceutical companies' institutional shareholders to support public disclosure of the company resources devoted to supporting political entities or candidates. Key to the project's strategy during its first year of operation will be educating groups about the connection between their interest in affordable prescription drugs and the pharmaceutical industry's political contributions and about the role public interest and constituency groups can play in building support for transparency as an industry standard. The venture will be considered a success if, by the fall of 2004, public interest and constituency groups in at least ten states are committed to building institutional shareholders' support for public disclosure and have the information, skills, and campaign infrastructure necessary to do so around political contribution resolutions considered at the 2005 annual meetings of pharmaceutical companies.

Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice: *Objectives I & II*