

Center on Budget and Policy Priorities
(Washington, DC)
Strengthening Health Insurance Coverage

Total Award: \$170,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.cbpp.org

To support the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities (CBPP) to provide the technical expertise, research and media advocacy necessary to assure informed citizen participation in important debates on federal and state policies affecting access to health care. In the coming year CBPP will address threats to public health programs and employer-sponsored coverage, identify opportunities to achieve positive gains in health care for low-income people and support positive health care reform initiatives. Central to its approach will be the production and dissemination of comprehensive and timely analyses of state and federal policy proposals and support for state and federal policymakers and advocates working to protect and where possible expand access to health coverage.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$90,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

\$80,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: *Objectives I & II*

**Trustees of Columbia University in the City
of New York**
(New York, NY)
Columbia Journalism Review

Total Award: \$32,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.columbia.edu

Project: www.cjr.org

To support The Columbia Journalism Review (CJR), a project of the Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York. CJR has relaunched its critically praised Campaign Desk, an on-line rapid response critique of presidential campaign coverage that was first established to monitor and respond to the press coverage of the 2004 elections. In the coming year, Campaign Desk will offer specialized analysis of the coverage of healthcare issues in the 2008 campaign through its feature "Second Opinion." The goal of this project is to encourage excellence in journalism, challenge political spin, provide context and clarity on the healthcare debate and inspire journalists to question incomplete, unsubstantiated and inaccurate assertions and assumptions about U.S. healthcare in their reporting.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$32,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

Community Catalyst, Inc.

(Boston, MA)

Prescription Access Litigation Project

Total Award: \$100,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.communitycatalyst.org

Project: www.prescriptionaccess.org

To support the Prescription Access Litigation (PAL) project to reduce the inflated price of prescription drugs resulting from pharmaceutical industry pricing and marketing tactics. PAL and its 130-member coalition of consumer-based advocacy groups and labor organizations, non-profit third party payers and individual plaintiffs bring and/or participate in class action lawsuits challenging a broad array of drug company practices that keep prescription costs high. PAL also provides information, training and technical assistance to coalition members and engages in education and outreach activities to create public demand for policy reforms that will reshape industry pricing and marketing behavior.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$50,000 Health Program: Objective I, Strategy 1

\$50,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: Objectives I & II

National Health Law Program, Inc.

(Los Angeles, CA)

*The Health Activist Court Watch Project and
the Sunshine and Accountability Project*

Total Award: \$200,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.healthlaw.org

To support two programs of the National Health Law Program (NHeLP) in order to hold publicly-funded health programs and their private contractors accountable for providing high quality health care services to beneficiaries as required under law. The Health Activist Court Watch Project protects court access for individuals who depend on public programs, particularly Medicaid, to ensure that government is accountable to consumers for the proper implementation of entitlement programs. The Sunshine and Accountability Project is a new NHeLP initiative that will improve government and corporate accountability in health care spending by working with state-based partners to expose waste and profiteering by private insurers and other health care contractors supported by taxpayer funds. Central to NHeLP's approach will be litigation, data collection, technical assistance and legal support, policy analysis, and education and outreach to affected communities, policymakers and advocates across the country. Together these strategies will improve capacity among advocates assisting low-income clients, facilitate coordinated action by coalitions of health and welfare advocates at the state and national levels and improve the performance of publicly-funded health care programs.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$200,000 Health Program: Objective I, Strategy 1

The Foundation for Taxpayer and Consumer Rights
(Santa Monica, CA)
Stem Cell Oversight and Accountability Project

Total Award: \$100,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.consumerwatchdog.org

To support the Stem Cell Oversight and Accountability Project to promote government and corporate accountability in publicly funded medical and other research. Building on the Project's successes in monitoring California's stem cell program, the Foundation for Taxpayer and Consumer Rights will expand the scope of its work to include stem cell research programs in other states as well as publicly funded medical research on a national level. Central to its approach is a combination of policy research and focused legal and media advocacy to ensure that transparency standards, conflict of interest prohibitions, public benefit requirements and other safeguards are in place to protect consumer interests and to maximize consumer access to medical advances resulting from public funding.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$65,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

\$35,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: *Objectives I & II*

Herndon Alliance
(Seattle, WA)
General Support

Total Award: \$275,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.herndonalliance.org

To support the Herndon Alliance, a national coalition of 100 minority, faith, advocacy, business, labor and provider organizations that are working on the state and national levels to ensure guaranteed, affordable health care for all. The Alliance and its members will work with the values-driven initiatives developed out of the social values and framing research conducted over the past two years and will engage in additional research in order to produce concepts, messages and strategies to translate this work into policy solutions on issues such as immigration and small business impacts. The Alliance also will develop a health narrative that connects with the values and beliefs of the American public to be shared with advocates and other groups interested in reform to aid in their success.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$225,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

\$50,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: *Objectives I & II*

**Demos: A Network for Ideas and Action,
Ltd.**

(New York, NY)

Small Business for Affordable Healthcare

Total Award: \$125,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.demos.org

Project: www.smallbusinessmajority.org and www.smallbusinessforhealthcare.org

To support Small Business for Affordable Healthcare (SBAH), a project of Demos, to build a small business voice nationally in support of comprehensive healthcare reform. To this end, SBAH will develop a national network of state-based chapters and partner organizations that will be a forceful and credible advocate for the needs of America's 25 million small businesses, which are currently struggling under crushing health care costs. In the coming year, in addition to building its national presence and infrastructure, SBAH will work intensively with partners in at least eight states to organize and develop a core group of small business leaders, support their engagement in a strong outreach and media campaign, and establish a consistent public message making the case that small businesses support health reform.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$125,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors, Inc.

(New York, NY)

*Breakthrough Institute: Overcoming
Xenophobia*

Total Award: \$130,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.rockpa.org

Project: www.thebreakthrough.org

To support the Breakthrough Institute, a project of Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors, to explore the psychological drivers of xenophobic and anti-immigrant attitudes that impede progress in the U.S. on a variety of important domestic policy priorities including health care reform and global warming. The Institute will review existing psychological literature, conduct a series of focus groups using its social values methodology to segment the population according to core values and attitudes, and develop a set of strategic framing and public policy recommendations to help health care, environment and other public interest advocates advance reform agendas.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$105,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1 and Objective II, Strategies 1 & 2*

\$10,000 Environment/Contemplative Practice Programs: *Goal I, Objective I, Strategy 2*

\$15,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: *Objectives I & II*

**Consumers for Affordable Health Care
Foundation**
(Augusta, ME)
General Support

Total Award: \$125,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.maine cahc.org

For general support of the Consumers for Affordable Health Care Foundation (CAHC), Maine's state-wide consumer health policy and communications center. Since Maine's Dirigo health program was enacted in 2003, CAHC has worked aggressively to build public support for the program through a strong communications, education and outreach strategy, while at the same time engaging in policy research and legal advocacy to defend the financing and other critical elements of the program. This year will prove particularly important in working toward market reforms that will bring Maine closer to achieving universal coverage and in stabilizing financing for the state's Dirigo Health Program, which will be essential to achieving this goal. Accordingly, in the coming year CAHC will continue to build Maine's consumer health advocacy network, will strategically engage with non-traditional allies in the business community and will continue to develop its "Insurance Transparency Project" to expose harmful industry practices.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$125,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

**Vermont Public Interest Research and
Education Fund**
(Montpelier, VT)
Vermont Health Care For All Campaign

Total Award: \$40,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.vprig.org

To support the Vermont Public Interest Research and Education Fund (VPIREF) to ensure the successful implementation of the Catamount Health Plan, Vermont's recent first step toward quality affordable care for all people in the state, while identifying longer-term structural and systemic approaches to improving health access. Particular attention will be paid to working with allies to monitor implementation of the Catamount Plan and support initiatives that will expand eligibility. In addition, VPIREF will educate the public about the Catamount Plan, provide technical assistance to policymakers, facilitate public input and participation in policy-making, and participate in enrollment and outreach initiatives.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$40,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

Ocean State Action Fund

(Cranston, RI)

Healthcare Organizing Project

Total Award: \$40,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.oceanstateaction.org

To support the Healthcare Organizing Project (HCOP), an initiative of Ocean State Action Fund. HCOP is a coalition of 42 community organizations, social service and health care providers, business leaders, academics and labor unions fighting for quality, affordable health care for all Rhode Islanders. In the coming year, HCOP will increase participation by small business and faith leaders in its stakeholder group, will engage in a public education and organizing campaign to build support and momentum for universal health care and will refine and release a well-researched health care proposal with broad-based input and support from key stakeholders and the public.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$40,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

Community Catalyst, Inc.

(Boston, MA)

General Support

Total Award: \$150,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.communitycatalyst.org

For general support of Community Catalyst (CC), a national non-profit advocacy organization working to build the consumer and community leadership required to transform the American healthcare system. Faced with growing rates of un- and underinsurance and a shift in important health policy decisions from the federal government to the states, CC focuses on strengthening state-based advocacy that can develop and support reform efforts to expand access to high quality and affordable healthcare. CC does so by delivering nationwide strategic assistance to state-based consumer advocacy networks; providing tailored assistance to health advocacy groups in specific states; supporting strategic policy work across states; and helping state advocates increase and diversify their resource base. In the coming year, CC will expand its direct assistance to include advocates in 29 different states and will engage in a strategic planning process that will generate a long-term internal organizational and program development plan.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

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

\$50,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: *Objectives I & II*

Future of Music Coalition, Inc.

(Washington, DC)

Artist Research Council, HINT, Artist Activism Camp

Total Award: \$200,000 over 2 years**Organization:** www.futureofmusic.org

To support the *Artist Research Council, HINT, Artist Activism Camp*, projects that will increase artists' participation in the cultural, political and health issues that impact their livelihoods. Future of Music Coalition (FMC) brings the voices of musicians, the music community, and citizens to important conversations traditionally reserved for legislators and the industry. FMC has educated the media, policymakers and the public by creating and publishing original research that has reframed policy debates to the benefit of musicians and citizens. FMC will continue to increase artists' participation in cultural, political and health issues that impact their creativity and their livelihoods. With support from NCF, FMC will continue to cultivate members for its Artist Research Council; provide health insurance information to at-risk musicians and convene an Activism Camp for Musicians that gives progressive minded musicians the historical context, media training and political experience to move their message effectively and act as agents of change

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$80,000 Arts and Culture Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

\$20,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

\$100,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: *Objectives I & II*

The Louisiana Cultural Economy Foundation, Inc.

(New Orleans, LA)

General Support

Total Award: \$100,000 over 1 year**Organization:** www.culturaleconomy.org

For general support of The Louisiana Cultural Economy Foundation, Inc., (LCEF) an effort to aid in the recovery of the artists, cultural organizations and businesses that make up Louisiana's cultural industry. LCEF will engage the cultural community in the development of an organizational plan that will enable it to address the immediate and long-term needs of individuals and groups seeking to stabilize and rebuild. LCEF will make Economic Opportunity grants to local constituents and it will assess Quality of Life issues facing the cultural community and develop appropriate interventions. Our support will yield a three-year strategic plan; fast-track grants providing immediate relief for artists, nonprofit and businesses; partnerships with organizations working on housing and health care issues; as well as opportunities for constituents to receive technical assistance from specialists representing a variety of disciplines. In 2008, the Foundation will connect stakeholders with existing resources; develop new, innovative and sustainable resources; create opportunities to influence potential partners to assist with rebuilding infrastructure and create sustainability through cooperation; and implement and expand the initiatives identified in the strategic plan.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$15,000 Arts and Culture Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

\$10,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

\$75,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: *Objectives I & II*

**Pesticide Action Network North American
Regional Center**
(San Francisco, CA)
*Californians for Pesticide Reform- 2008
Annual Conference*

Total Award: \$5,000 over 9 months

Organization: www.pesticidereform.org

Presidential Authority Grant

To support Californians for Pesticide Reforms' (CPR) 2008 conference, "Reclaiming Our Healthy Future." CPR will provide travel support to up to 100 participants, thereby increasing the number and diversity of participating member organizations. The conference will build capacity within CPR's coalition by creating opportunities for participants to make and renew connections, learn and refresh skills, engage in planning for CPR priority campaigns, and meet and exchange ideas with other activists from across the county, Asia, Latin America, and Africa.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$5,000 Health Program: *Objective II, Strategy 2*

Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy
(Los Angeles, CA)
General Support

Total Award: \$100,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.laane.org

To support Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy (LAANE) to address the needs of Los Angeles workers and their families through initiatives that expand access to quality health care and a healthy environment, while developing and refining equitable community empowerment models that can be and have been replicated elsewhere. Using a combination of coalition building, community organizing, advocacy and research, in the coming year LAANE will focus on improving the health of workers and residents affected by the environmental impacts of LAX and the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, while at the same time working toward better jobs with health benefits in these communities, including in the retail and grocery, building and airline services, hospitality and tourism and port services industries.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$40,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1 and Objective II, Strategies 1 & 2*

\$40,000 Environment/Contemplative Practice Programs: *Goal I, Objective II, Strategies 1 & 2*

\$20,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: *Objectives I & II*

Front Range Economic Strategy Center
(Denver, CO)
General Support

Total Award: \$100,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.fresc.org

To support the Front Range Economic Strategy Center (FRESC) in its work to hold government and corporations in the Denver metropolitan area accountable for responsible community-centered development and the protection of health and welfare of low-income workers and their families. Using training, coalition-building, research, policy development, public education and grassroots mobilization, FRESC is engaged in a long-term campaign to shift city, regional and state economic development decision-making so that good quality jobs with health benefits, affordable housing, clean air and water, and other social outcomes are among the goals of development. This year, FRESC's efforts will be centered around shaping the implementation of Denver's \$4.7 billion voter-approved mass transit initiative, FasTracks, and the associated transit oriented developments in key communities, working with local grassroots coalitions in West Denver to address economic development issues, and organizing and advocating for health care reform.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$50,000 Health Program: Objective I, Strategy 1 and Objective II, Strategies 1 & 2

\$25,000 Environment/Contemplative Practice Programs: Goal I, Objective II, Strategy 1

\$25,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: Objectives I & II

Government Accountability Project, Inc.
(Washington, DC)
General Support

Total Award: \$150,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.whistleblower.org

For general support to the Government Accountability Project, which promotes government and corporate accountability by advancing free speech, defending whistleblowers and empowering citizen activists on matters affecting human health and the environment. To achieve this goal it uses four intertwined strategies: providing legal representation and support to whistleblowers; launching national campaigns to publicize and address whistleblower allegations; providing assistance to agencies and companies seeking to implement whistleblower policies; and publishing academic and other materials on occupational free speech issues.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$75,000 Health Program: Objective II, Strategies 1 & 2

\$50,000 Environment/Contemplative Practice Programs: Goal I, Objective I, Strategy 1

\$25,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: Objectives I & II

TransparentDemocracy

(Palo Alto, CA)

Shareholder Education Program

Total Award: \$30,000 over term

Organization: www.transparentdemocracy.org

To support their Shareholder Education Program ("SEP") to educate and inform shareholders about decisions they can make to align their shareholder proxy votes with their values. "SEP" will provide a free, web-based platform to serve as a shareholder proxy-voting guide to increase shareholder participation in proxy votes in order to better address a wide range of economic, social, and environmental challenges.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$20,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: *Objectives I & II*

\$5,000 Environment Program: *Objective I, Strategy I*

\$5,000 Health Program: *Objective II, Strategy I*

Western Organization of Resource Councils**Education Project**

(Billings, MT)

General Support

Total Award: \$170,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.worc.org

To support the Western Organization of Resource Councils Education Project (WORCEP) which serves a network of seven state organizations in the Great Plains and Rocky Mountain states representing over 10,000 farmers, ranchers, conservationists and business people. The Project is building a grassroots base of skilled citizens directly involved in working for stewardship and conservation of land, water and natural resources and empowering local citizens to participate in civic life. WORCEP is advancing the production and use of renewable fuels that promote rural economies, while stopping the development of non-renewable fossil fuels that contribute to global warming.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$125,000 Environment/ Contemplative Practice Programs: *Goal I, Objective I, Strategy 2*

\$25,000 Health Program: *Objective II, Strategy I*

\$20,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: *Objectives I & II*

Center for Labor and Community Research
(Chicago, IL)
Illinois High Performance Manufacturing Initiative

Total Award: \$100,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.clcr.org

To support the Illinois High Performance Manufacturing Initiative, a project of the Center for Labor and Community Research, which aims to shape public and private sector policies to promote High Road manufacturing. High Road manufacturing focuses on achieving long-term and sustainable benefits for the environment, manufacturers, workers, and the broader community. The project is designed to create strong and formal partnerships between government, labor, business and community and environmental organizations to create the conditions in which the High Road model can flourish.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$60,000 Environment/ Contemplative Practice Programs: Goal I, *Objective I, Strategies 1 & 2*

\$20,000 Health Program: *Objective II, Strategies 1 & 2*

\$20,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: *Objectives I & II*

Educational Broadcasting Corporation
(New York, NY)
Now on PBS

Total Award: \$200,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.thirteen.org

Project: www.pbs.org/now

To support NOW on PBS, a project of the Educational Broadcasting Corporation. NOW is a hard-hitting investigative journalism news program with a strong emphasis on stories about the environment, health, arts, culture and faith. The focus of 2008 reporting will be on key topics such as corporate governance, health care, the environment and the 2008 election. NOW will continue to produce interview segments and will launch a new on-line project called Citizen NOW - an extension of NOW's effective web presence that is broad-based, interactive and family friendly.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$85,000 Environment/ Contemplative Practice Programs: Goal I, *Objective I, Strategy 2, Objective II, Strategy 2*

\$50,000 Arts and Culture Program: *Objective II, Strategy 3*

\$25,000 Health Program: *Objective II, Strategies 1 & 2*

\$25,000 Jewish Life and Values Program: Goal I, *Objective 3*

\$15,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: *Objectives I & II*