

**Health Program
November 2006 Grants List**

Grantmakers in Health

(Washington, DC)

General Support

Total Award: \$9,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.gih.org

For membership and general support of Grantmakers in Health, a nonprofit, educational organization whose mission is to help grantmakers improve the nation's health by strengthening grantmakers' knowledge, skills, and effectiveness, and fostering communication and collaboration among grantmakers and with others through forums, workshops, publications and other special services.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$9,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1 and Objective II, Strategy 2*

Neighborhood Funders Group

(Washington, DC)

General Support

Total Award: \$7,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.nfg.org

For membership and general support of the Neighborhood Funders Group (NFG) to strengthen the capacity of philanthropy to understand and support community-based efforts to organize and improve the economic and social fabric of low-income communities. One way in which NFG advances this goal is by fostering dialogue between philanthropy and labor through its Working Group on Labor and Community.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$3,500 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

\$3,500 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: *Objectives I & II*

Center on Budget and Policy Priorities

(Washington, DC)

Combating Threats to Health Insurance Coverage for Low-Income Families

Total Award: \$170,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.cbpp.org

To support The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities to provide the technical expertise, research and media advocacy necessary to assure informed citizen participation in important debates on tax and budget policies that could threaten access to government-supported and/or employer-based health insurance. Central to its approach will be the production and dissemination of comprehensive and timely analyses of state and federal policy proposals that may impair government's ability to fund health programs, undermine consumer protections, weaken the private health insurance market, or limit the ability of programs like Medicaid to meet the needs of low-income people.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

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

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

National Women’s Law Center

(Washington, DC)

Tax Policy Analysis and Communications Project

Total Award: \$110,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.nwlc.org

To support the Tax Policy Analysis and Communications Project of the National Women's Law Center to engage the public in an educated debate about the role of taxes in advancing a social and economic justice agenda — directly through an equitable tax system and indirectly through funding for vital services such as health coverage for low income people. The project's current objective is to educate the public and policy makers about the implications of tax cut and budget proposals as well as the impact of and interrelationship between tax cuts, budget cuts, and proposals to block grants or privatize critical programs. It will do so by providing leadership, support and assistance to coalitions addressing tax and budget policy, with particular emphasis on developing and coordinating an effective communications and media strategy at the national and state levels.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$60,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

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

Pacific Institute for Community Organizations

(Sacramento, CA)

Health Policy Action Project

Total Award: \$100,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.piconetwork.org

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 develop volunteers in local communities, build public support for its 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 17 states, and continue to build PICO's capacity to act on health care at multiple levels. The immediate goal of the project is to see an increase in the number of community leaders who are actively engaged in health care policy reform 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: *Objectives I, Strategy 1*

Paraprofessional Healthcare Institute, Inc.

(Bronx, NY)

Health Care For Health Care Workers

Total Award: \$450,000 over 2 years

Organization: www.paraprofessional.org

To support “Health Care for Health Care Workers,” a multi-state initiative working to secure health insurance access for direct-care workers, including nursing home, hospice and homecare aides, thereby helping to recruit and retain a stable long-term care workforce. The project will advance this goal by developing public policy strategies for increasing health coverage at the state level, raising public awareness and building multi-stakeholder alliances that will work to provide health access to health workers as an incremental step in a broader health or long-term care reform agenda.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$450,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

Health Care For All, Inc.

(Boston, MA)

Health Reform Implementation: A Model for Follow-Up Success

Total Award: \$100,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.hcfama.org

Presidential Authority Grant

To support Health Care for All (HCFA) to ensure that consumer-oriented principles will guide implementation of Massachusetts' groundbreaking new law expanding access to quality health care for all residents of the state. HCFA created and led the reform coalition that worked to develop the health reform law recently enacted in Massachusetts. Over the next year, as policy details of the legislation are implemented, HCFA will educate the public about the new program, provide technical assistance to policymakers, continue to lead a broad reform coalition with a focus on influencing implementation, facilitate consumer input and participation in policy-making, and lead strong enrollment and outreach campaigns to secure maximal benefits under the new plan for uninsured, low-income and underserved consumers.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$80,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

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

**Greater Boston Interfaith Organization
Sponsoring Committee, Inc.**

(Dorchester, MA)

Massachusetts Health Care Reform Implementation Project

Total Award: \$100,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.gbio.org

To support the Greater Boston Interfaith Organization (GBIO) to ensure that implementation of the newly-enacted health reform law in Massachusetts will serve the needs of low and moderate income residents of the state. GBIO is a powerful member of the state-wide coalition that built the public support necessary to enact the new law. In the coming year, GBIO and its allies will educate the public about the new program, work with regulators to make certain that the implementation of the law, including its individual mandate, is fair, reasonable and not harmful to low and moderate income people and will engage in a strong enrollment and outreach campaign to secure maximum benefits for the uninsured.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$75,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

\$25,000 Jewish Life and Values Program: *Goal I, Objectives 3 & 4*

**Campaign for Better Health Care Fund
(Champaign, IL)**

Total Award: \$100,000 over 1 year

Promoting the Health Care Justice Act

Organization: www.cbhonline.org

To support the Campaign for Better Health Care (CBHC) to create an environment in which the Illinois Health Care Justice Act, which sets out goals and a timetable for state-wide health reform, will result in universal health care in that state. By November 2006, a health care task force will make a recommendation to the General Assembly and Governor for a health care access plan to be implemented by July 2007. In the second year of this project, CBHC will engage with its faith, provider, labor and community-based partners in an aggressive public education and outreach effort to build public support for a plan for universal coverage.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

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

**Human Services Coalition of
Dade County, Inc.**

Total Award: \$50,000 over 1 year

(Plantation, FL)

Florida C.H.A.I.N.

Organization: www.floridachain.org

To support Florida CHAIN, a project of the Human Services Coalition of Dade County, to build the advocacy capacity of state, regional and local communities in Florida to protect, and where possible increase, access to health care. In the coming year, the project will convene and provide policy, communications and technical support to community-based organizations working to ensure that Florida's experiments with Medicaid privatization do not undermine the health of low-income beneficiaries.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

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

Interfaith Education Fund, Inc.

Total Award: \$150,000 over 1 year

(Austin, Texas)

Arizona Project

To support the Arizona Project to address issues of economic and political inequality in Arizona, with special emphasis on health and health care. Project organizers will identify and develop leaders of the Arizona Interfaith Network, equipping them with the research, organizing and other skills necessary to advance its Human/Family Development agenda locally and statewide. The project will support a combination of individual and small group meetings, institutional assemblies, training sessions, research actions and large scale public meetings to develop leaders and to create a broad public conversation about the conditions faced by low-wage workers, immigrants and their families, especially conditions related to health care and wages.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$150,000 Health Program: Objective I, Strategy 1

National Women's Law Center

(Washington, DC)

Health and Reproductive Rights Project

Total Award: \$340,000 over 2 years

Organization: www.nwlc.org

To support the Health and Reproductive Rights Project to fight religious restrictions on access to health care, particularly reproductive health care, at publicly-supported and corporate health care institutions, including hospitals, clinics, pharmacies, and insurance companies. Combining public education, legal support, technical assistance to state-based advocates and coalition building, the project will work to establish and enforce the principle that restrictions based on institutional religious doctrine or a provider's religious, moral or personal ideology should not limit patients' access to health products and services.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$240,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*

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

Native American Community Board

(Lake Andes, SD)

Indigenous Women's Health Justice Program

Total Award: \$25,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.nativeshop.org

To support the Native American Community Board's (NACB) Indigenous Women's Health Justice Program to mobilize a national coalition of Native, women's, health and civil liberties organizations to improve access to high quality reproductive health care for low income, reservation-based and/or rural Native American women. As part of a comprehensive indigenous women's health agenda, NACB and its allies will work to hold Indian Health Services and its contracting partners accountable for providing all reproductive health services required under federal law, strengthen and build a base of indigenous women's leadership on health justice issues in South Dakota and nationally, and reinforce cultural traditions that support Native women's control over their reproductive health.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$25,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategies 1*

Prescription Policy Choices

(Hallowell, ME)

General Support

Total Award: \$250,000 over 2 years

Organization: www.policychoices.org

For general support to Prescription Policy Choices (PPC) to educate policymakers and the public about the most effective options on the state level for providing access to affordable medications for millions of Americans who lack prescription drug coverage. To achieve this goal, PPC will develop independent and objective information about policy models applied in different states, analyze the different models and their on-the-ground results, and develop education and outreach materials describing the prescription drug policies that work, including legal issues related to those policies. It also will promote collaboration among stakeholders, including shareholder advocates, consumer protection groups, health policy experts and progressive policymakers who currently do not work together on prescription drug issues.

Program Contribution Breakdown:
\$250,000 Health Program: Objective I, Strategy 1

National Senior Citizens Law Center

(Washington, DC)

Seniors in Transition

Total Award: \$100,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.nscclc.org

Presidential Authority Grant

To support a project of the National Senior Citizen's Law Center (NSCLC) to educate policymakers and the public about the need for reform of Medicare Part D in order to benefit consumers and minimize windfalls to pharmaceutical and insurance companies. In this second phase of the project, NSCLC and the Center for Medicare Advocacy will build support for systemic change, while continuing to provide technical assistance to advocates for low-income senior citizens and people with disabilities who lost their more comprehensive Medicaid prescription drug coverage when Part D was implemented.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$100,000 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 provide the legal expertise, research and focused media advocacy necessary to protect the interests of California taxpayers and patients as California's unprecedented \$6 billion stem cell research program is implemented. In this second year of the Project, the Foundation for Taxpayer and Consumer Rights will continue to focus its consumer advocacy and media expertise on the public debate over implementation of the program, will monitor the grants process and will develop model policies and legal strategies to assure maximum access to medical advances resulting from this publicly funded research.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

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

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

Community Catalyst, Inc.

(Boston, MA)

MergerWatch: Protecting Patients' Rights to Self-Determination

Total Award: \$80,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.communitycatalyst.org

Project: www.mergerwatch.org

To support the MergerWatch project to address the growing threat to patients' rights to self-determination from religiously-based restrictions on end-of-life care. Mobilizing broad state-based coalitions of end-of-life care experts, senior citizen's groups, health care advocates, reproductive rights groups and other stakeholders, MergerWatch will work to promote policies and practices that protect patients' ability to obtain medical treatment and make health choices based on their own religious and ethical beliefs.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$80,000 Health Program: Objective I, Strategy 2

University of Wisconsin, Madison

(Madison, WI)

Center on Wisconsin Strategy: The Commons Project

Total Award: \$215,500 over 1 year

Organization: www.wisc.edu

Project: www.cows.org

To support the Commons Project (CP) as it develops a new collaborative effort to provide policy support and assistance to state government executives. The goal of this project is to provide government officials with access to the technical expertise and other tools necessary to develop and refine more innovative and stronger policy programs in important areas of state concern, including health, the environment, economic development and public safety. CP will develop and package policy options, provide technical assistance in implementation strategies and promote the importance of state-level policy innovation and experimentation.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$90,500 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1 and Objective II, Strategy 2*

\$50,000 Environment/Contemplative Practice Program: *Goal I, Objective I, Strategy 1 and Objective II, Strategy 2*

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

Institute for Sustainable Communities

(Montpelier, VT)

Gulf Coast Community Renewal Project

Total Award: \$100,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.iscvt.org

To support the Gulf Coast Community Renewal Project to achieve positive, long-term changes in Moss Point, Mississippi, a community severely impacted by Hurricane Katrina, thereby developing a model that can be adapted and replicated in other cities and towns in the region. To this end, this project will build the capacity and skills of local leaders, including elected officials, local nonprofits and community members, and help them obtain the tools they need to engage all residents of Moss Point in building an environmentally sustainable and healthier community.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$51,000 Health Program: *Objective II, Strategy 2*

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

\$24,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: *Objectives I & II*

Strategic Concepts in Organizing and Policy Education

(Los Angeles, CA)

Tax and Fiscal Policies Project

Total Award: \$180,000 over 7 months

Organization: www.scopela.org

To support the Tax and Fiscal Policies Project of Strategic Concepts in Organizing and Policy Education (SCOPE). SCOPE is working to assemble a progressive state-wide alliance of organizations representing key issue sectors, including health, environmental and labor groups, as well as strategic geographic regions of California, with the capacity to research, develop and implement a tax and fiscal policy reform agenda to eliminate structural barriers to social and economic opportunities for disadvantaged communities. In the coming year, the alliance will design a set of values-driven strategic initiatives, based on research into American social values, that are aimed at increasing the proportion of Californians who understand and support the changes needed to accomplish this goal.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$64,000 Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1 and Objective II, Strategies 1&2*

\$52,000 Environment/Contemplative Practice Program: *Goal I, Objective II, Strategy 1*

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

Working Partnerships, USA

(San Jose, CA)

General Support

Total Award: \$250,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.wpusa.org

To support Working Partnerships USA (WPUSA) to address the needs of working families in Silicon Valley through initiatives that expand access to quality health care and a healthy environment, creating models that can and have been replicated elsewhere. Using a combination of policy research, community organizing and advocacy, in the coming year WPUSA will focus on developing and expanding health coverage initiatives for children and working adults, maintaining local safety net services, leadership development, and promoting equitable smart growth development models locally, regionally and nationally.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$125,000 Health Program: *Objective II, Strategy 2*

\$50,000 Environment/Contemplative Practice Program: *Goal I, Objective II, Strategies 1&2*

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

Center on Policy Initiatives

(San Diego, CA)

General Support

Total Award: \$150,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.onlinecpi.org

To support the Center on Policy Initiatives (CPI) in its work to transform San Diego into a healthy community with full family health care, quality jobs, and a cleaner environment. To this end, the Center will focus on creating new policies that increase low-income communities' access to health care and that require community benefits as a condition of development project approvals, while laying groundwork for future campaigns through leadership development and technical assistance programs.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$103,500 Health Program: *Objective II, Strategies 1&2*

\$46,500 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice Program: *Objectives I & II*

**Pesticide Action Network North
America Regional Center**

(San Francisco, CA)

Californians for Pesticide Reform-Pesticide Drift Campaign

Total Award: \$80,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.panna.org

Project: www.PesticideReform.org

Presidential Authority Grant

To support Californians for Pesticide Reform - Pesticide Drift Campaign, a statewide multi-organizational initiative aimed at protecting the health of farm workers, fence-line communities and the general public by eliminating significant sources of airborne pesticides that contribute to air pollution associated with acute and chronic health problems. The campaign links pesticide drift policy changes to the growing concern over air pollution and its health impacts, particularly in the high-pesticide-use San Joaquin Valley. The campaign will initiate and coordinate policy activity at the state level, support "drift-affected" community-based groups in areas of greatest pesticide use, train groups and individuals to provide information and leadership on drift issues, assist communities with air monitoring, and implement a media strategy to publicize the issue.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$30,000 Health Program: *Objective II, Strategy 2*

\$30,000 Environment/Contemplative Practice Program: *Goal I, Objective II, Strategy 1*

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

Government Accountability Project

(Washington, DC)

Climate Science Watch

Total Award: \$25,000 over 1 year

Organization: www.whistleblower.org

Project: www.climate-science-watch.org

To support the Climate Science Watch Project's work to hold public officials accountable for how they use climate change research in policymaking, with the goal of translating research into effective action to respond to this urgent environmental health challenge. Investigation, communication and reform advocacy are at the heart of the project's strategy. This includes exposing censorship and abuse of climate science information, providing expert analysis to government officials, the media and the public, publishing reports and articles, advocating for scientific freedom of speech and developing oversight and reform proposals.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$12,500 Health Program: *Objective II, Strategy 2*

\$12,500 Environment/Contemplative Practice Program: *Goal I, Objective I, Strategy 1*