



## PHILOSOPHY

The Catholic Healthcare West (CHW) Community Grants Program is funded by contributions from its member hospitals. This program is one way in which CHW realizes its mission and enhances the advocacy, social justice and healthier communities efforts of its hospitals and religious and community sponsors.

Through this program, CHW seeks to partner with other nonprofit organizations who are working to improve the health status and quality of life of the communities we serve and whose efforts embody CHW's five core values:

- Dignity – Respecting the inherent value and worth of each person.
- Collaboration – Working together with people who support common values and vision to achieve shared goals.
- Justice – Advocating for social change and acting in ways that promote respect for all persons and demonstrate compassion for our sisters and brothers who are powerless.
- Stewardship – Cultivating the resources entrusted to us to promote healing and wholeness.
- Excellence – Exceeding expectations through teamwork and innovation.

## OUR MISSION

Catholic Healthcare West and our Sponsoring Congregations are committed to furthering the healing ministry of Jesus.

We dedicate our resources to:

delivering compassionate, high-quality, affordable health services;



serving and advocating for our sisters and brothers who are poor and disenfranchised; and



partnering with others in the community to improve the quality of life.

Log-on for more information about the CHW Community Grants Program at: [www.chwHEALTH.org/communitygrants](http://www.chwHEALTH.org/communitygrants)



# Community Grants Program



# CHW Community Grants Program Overview

## PRIORITIES

Every Catholic Healthcare West (CHW) hospital has conducted a community health assessment and has identified strategic priorities based on this assessment. An objective of CHW's Community Grants Program is to award grants to nonprofit organizations whose proposals respond to the priorities identified in the health assessment and/or the community benefit plans of its hospitals.

CHW grant funds are to be used to provide services to underserved populations (economically poor; women and children; mentally or physically disabled; or other disenfranchised populations).

## OBJECTIVES

In keeping with our strategic priorities, CHW encourages programs that integrate the following principles:

- Focus on disproportionate unmet health-related needs;
- Emphasize primary prevention and address underlying causes of health problems;
- Contribute to a seamless continuum of care;
- Build community capacity; and
- Emphasize collaborative governance.

## CRITERIA

- Funding up to \$50,000. Due to availability of funds, individual hospital may reduce the \$50,000 limit;
- Strict adherence to grant guidelines is expected; and
- Proposals must identify the type of change expected, and how and over what time period progress will be measured.

## ELIGIBILITY

- Applicant must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization or have a fiscal agent that is a 501(c)(3) organization and capable of administering the project's funds;
- Project or program must be a response to the health priorities identified in your local CHW hospital's community health assessment or benefit plan; and
- Project to be funded must involve collaboration with other organizations and/or with a CHW hospital in your community.

## LETTER OF INTENT

All prospective applicants are asked to submit a Letter of Intent, which should briefly describe the organization and the project. For an outline of the Letter of Intent, see the Catholic Healthcare West website at [www.chwHEALTH.org/communitygrants](http://www.chwHEALTH.org/communitygrants).

## FULL PROPOSAL

After Letters of Intent are reviewed, a full proposal will be requested from those applicants whose projects best address CHW's Community Grants Program priorities. For an outline of the grants application, see the Catholic Healthcare West website at [www.chwHEALTH.org/communitygrants](http://www.chwHEALTH.org/communitygrants).

### 2011 CHW COMMUNITY GRANTS TIMELINE

July 27	Letters of Intent due to CHW Area Grant Representatives
August 24	Applicants invited to submit a full proposal
September 16	Proposals due to CHW Area Grant Representatives
November 29	CHW Investment Committee meets to approve the funding recommendations of Local Review Committees