

Knapp Community Care Foundation

2023 Grant Recipients - \$4,700,000



Access Esperanza Clinics, Inc. \$50,000

To support Access Esperanza Clinic's (AEC) general operations and allow AEC to reallocate revenue from state and federal grants and apply it to direct services for clients in the Mid-Valley.



Affordable Homes of South Texas \$30,000

Affordable Homes will provide approximately 100 emergency home repair grants to underserved families in Mid-Valley communities (\$300 per grant).



Angel Flight \$10,000

Angel Flight will coordinate and execute free air transportation for 40 Mid-Valley residents in need of medical care and humanitarian support.



Aurora House \$87,035

Aurora House will renovate and update website to include new services. Funding will also increase internships, rotations, and presentations related to death/dying for higher education healthcare/nursing students.



Boys & Girls Club – Edinburg \$50,000

Funding will support Entre Families, a family outreach and support program that promotes healthy habits in club members and their families. The program includes Sports and Fitness, Health & Life Skills, Character & Leadership Development and Nutrition education.



Buckner Children & Family Services \$30,000

Funding will support the Family Hope Center in Donna, Texas to reach vulnerable individuals living in extreme poverty. The program will empower families through basic needs assistance, health fairs, adult education, financial workshops, job skills training, income generating activities, child/youth development, and counseling.



Children's Advocacy Center of Hidalgo County \$50,000

Funding will serve children and parents in specialized camps and seminars. Kids Camp programs will provide children with healthy ways to manage their anxiety and stress as they learn to navigate relationships at home and at school; Parenting Seminars will engage parents and caregivers to learn and implement helpful, positive parenting skills.



Children's Bereavement Center RGV \$58,000

Funding will provide mid-Valley families access to support to alleviate children's maladaptive grief reactions as they adjust to life without the deceased and develop adaptive coping skills, which can lead to improved academic outcomes, stronger peer relationships, and communications skills.



Community HOPE / HOPE Family Health Center \$140,000

Continue to capture and utilize useful data regarding social determinants of health to recognize social needs and improve the impact of local services while increasing the accessibility and reach of mental health services for residents of the Mid-Valley area.



Dentists Who Care (DWC) \$55,000

To support DWC SMILE Voucher program and provide access to dental care to children and adults that are low-income with no insurance. Additionally, funding will support oral health education content to the DWC website.



El Milagro Clinic \$600,000

A collective initiative of four (4) agencies that will address healthcare (primary care, women’s healthcare, community advocacy, and data collection), thereby treating the whole person, enhancing their health and well-being, and supporting them in their communities.



Monte Alto ISD \$20,000

Funding will enhance the school walking trail by adding physical fitness equipment and benches along the trail, thereby encouraging community to partake in healthier options.



Monte Alto Recreation Center \$11,500

Funding will support programs and activities for adults and youth in the community. The program for adults will focus on nutrition, preparing healthy meals, and physical exercise. The youth-centered portion is geared toward developing young people's emotional well-being.



Open Hands Community Charitable Services \$50,000

Funding to purchase walk-in freezers and a cooler to double the current distribution efforts which also addresses the rising food costs and food security crisis in Donna and surrounding areas. This will allow the entity to offer more nutrient rich foods.



Planned Parenthood \$30,000

Support for low-income, uninsured people in need of sexual and reproductive health care utilizing vouchers to access the care they might not otherwise be able to find or afford. Vouchers can also be used for in-clinic care or for telehealth (virtual visits).



Prevent Blindness Texas \$20,000

To expand preventative eye health/risk screenings, eye health education, navigation services and financial resources for increased health equity in vision health and focusing on educating those who have diabetes or at-risk developing eye disease.



RGV Dads \$3,863

Funding will support fathers experiencing mental health concerns, as well as address common issues in a support group format. Fathers implement the information received during the session to improve their quality of family life.



South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$63,245

Continue to support and sustain current services to mid-Valley communities (Camp FREEDOM, Youth Leadership Conference, Food Pantry, STOMP OUT diabetes program) as well as support efforts to ready the new property/construction site for STJDA.



Special Olympics Texas (SOTX) \$25,000

Funding will support SOTX primary program, sports and health programming services in the Mid-Valley which consists of several components, such as Competitions, Training for coaches for their modified sports programming.



Su Casa De Esperanza \$60,000

The project provides early childhood development education for families from the colonias with children ages birth to 3. The goal is to educate families about health & fitness, child development, & the importance of education beginning at birth.

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The Boys and Girls Club of Weslaco, Inc. \$50,000

The program utilizes group presentations, parent workshops, social-emotional learning, small group skill-based learning, arts & crafts projects, and integrative wellness activities to strengthen individual competence, identify resources, raise awareness, and strengthen community assets.



Valley Initiative for Development and Advancement (VIDA) \$100,000

Funding to support the increasing need of nursing and highly specialized healthcare professionals in the Mid Valley region through workforce development and higher education attainment.



Valley Nature Center \$100,000

Funding will support the Nature Quest program, which includes summer camp, school field trips, home school science classes, scouting, after school programs, regular visitation programs, and weekend programs.



Weslaco ISD/Weslaco High School \$14,200

Weslaco High school continues to support enhancements to Gibson Park. The basketball court project will include cleaning the existing surface, acrylic resurface of the court and apply a textured two-color coat to create the new lines on the court.



Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement & Additional Hospital Support \$3,000,000.00

Knapp Community Care Foundation supported Knapp Medical Center to offset the high cost of providing indigent health care to the uninsured in our community.

2022 Grant Recipients - \$4,222,074



Access Esperanza Clinics, Inc. \$125,000

The Breast & Cervical Health Initiative will provide cervical cancer screenings / mammography services to minimum 700 low income, uninsured women in the Mid-Valley area. It will provide colposcopy and ultrasound training to AEC's Nurse Practitioners.



Affordable Homes of South Texas \$10,000

Affordable Homes will provide approximately 30 emergency home repair grants to underserved families in Mid-Valley communities. Grants will help to mitigate potential health and safety hazards.



Aurora House \$67,922

Aurora House intends to resume full rotations for student nurses, social workers, and others learning about healthcare careers that may include hospice and palliative care; resume community outreach and education; and ensure staff retention.



Community Development Corporation of Brownsville \$100,000

CDCB's Financial Security Program will improve the home environment of low-income residents by helping them acquire a safe, affordable home and reach a state of financial resilience.



Community HOPE / HOPE Family Health Center \$125,000

HOPE intends to capture and utilize useful data regarding social determinants of health to recognize social needs and improve the impact of local services while increasing the accessibility and reach of mental health services for residents of the Mid-Valley area.



Dentists Who Care (DWC) \$50,000

To support DWC SMILE Voucher program and provide access to dental care to children and adults that are low-income with no insurance. DWC staff will also focus on community outreach and recruiting volunteer dentists to our program.



Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley \$20,000

Funding will support a planning grant to discover barriers to food security, barriers to nutrition education, areas being underserved, provide general emergency food assistance, and lay the groundwork to establishing a Mid-Valley branch of the Food Bank RGV.



It's Time Texas – \$149,595

Funding is to allow Unidos Contra la Diabetes' (UCD) RGV Health Connect data sharing platform, to continue to house locally sourced data from partners and stakeholders in the Rio Grande Valley (RGV).



El Milagro Clinic \$20,400

Provision and coordination of free Uber Health rides to El Milagro Clinic patients as a means of safe and reliable transportation to access healthcare, employment, educational opportunities, and social services.



Prevent Blindness Texas \$15,000

To expand preventative eye health/risk screenings, eye health education, navigation services and financial resources for increased health equity in vision health, and focusing on educating those who have diabetes or at risk developing eye disease.



Rio Grande Valley Diabetes Association \$18,354

RGVDA will implement a two-pronged approach on health cooking and on a healthy lifestyle through of online and in-person presentations that will help residents and others to focus on their diet and physical activity to combat diabetes and obesity.



South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$89,176

Through expanding services to the Delta Region, STJDA will provide access to services by creating new access points on newly acquired land as well as sustain current services to mid-Valley (Camp FREEDOM, Youth Leadership Conference, Food Pantry, STOMP OUT diabetes program)



Su Casa De Esperanza \$58,150

The project provides early childhood development education for families from the colonias with children ages birth to 3. The goal is to educate families about health & fitness, child development, & the importance of education beginning at birth.



The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley \$160,000

The School of Social Work will place student dyads (BSW/MSSW) in community agencies, each agency focusing on one SDOH. Students will be trained on SDOH assessment, intervention, and referrals, and will work with clients presenting for services.



Valley Initiative for Development and Advancement (VIDA) \$100,000

VIDA will address the compounding nursing and other allied health professionals shortage in the Mid Valley region through workforce development, education and training, student certification, and help students achieve living-wage employment.



Valley Nature Center \$85,000

VNC Nature Quest for special needs and “at-risk” children gets kids outside with active recreation, nutrition, and STEAM education for a sustainable, healthy future. New summer camp curriculum annually supports school trips and other programs.



Weslaco ISD/Weslaco High School \$38,477

The Gibson Park Musical Gardens intends to create a musical garden for the community of Weslaco. The purpose of the Gibson Park Musical Gardens is to create a space where all children and families can come together through the gift of music and nature.



Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement & Additional Hospital Support \$3,000,000.00

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2021 Grant Recipients – 5,854,496



Access Esperanza Clinics, Inc. \$200,000

Access to Care Plus will focus on specialized primary care services, specifically, Diabetes assessments to include screening for diabetes risk factors and diabetes testing to 330 clients per year at the AEC Weslaco Clinic.



Aurora House \$74,200

Funding will support the established Aurora House 5K Glow-in-the-Dark Run/Walk, adding a high-quality annual Health Fair for the Mid-Valley for two years. Additionally, the funding will also assist Aurora House operations after Covid-19 devastated the organization’s fundraising activities in 2020.



Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley \$299,297

Funding will support an innovative, multipurpose vehicle that will be instrumental in removing barriers for Mid-Valley clients seeking a variety of social services, that will house a counseling/referral area, a small computer lab, and an educational kitchen.



Holy Family Services, Inc. \$295,000

The project services as a means of offering assessment, prevention and management of both GDM/ DM for communities/colonias served through the HFS mobile clinic. The intent is to collaboratively aid in pursuing proper and adequate care for clients.



It's Time Texas – \$200,000

Funding will assist ITT to activate policy, systems and environmental (PSE) changes in schools. The program targets obesity, diabetes and behavioral health utilizing the School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) model.



Knapp Medical Center – ADN Program \$371,666

KMC will support an accelerated 18 month, 40-hours a week, hospital based Associate Degree of Nursing Program, which prepares students to immediately work as a registered nurse.



El Milagro Clinic \$290,000

The funding will allow El Milagro to continue to provide the provisions of basic healthcare services (including medical consultations, COVID-19 testing and vaccinations) in Mid-Valley colonias.



South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$90,500

The funding will allow STJDA to continue to fund current programs that address juvenile diabetes (Camp FREEDOM, Youth Leadership Conference, Food Pantry, STOMP OUT diabetes program) as well as conduct a community needs assessment to assess how the pandemic has impacted families and how to best continue to serve them.



Su Casa De Esperanza \$48,933

Our project provides education and resources for families from the colonias of South Texas with children ages birth to 3. Our goal is to educate families about health & fitness, child development, and the importance of education beginning at birth.



Team MARIO \$46,000

Project GET UP & SOAR is designed to empower individuals with autism in making healthy lifestyle changes; helping them develop academic and career goals; and support independent living and social emotional health.



Tip of Texas \$47,405

Provide families an array of supportive services to help increase positive parenting education and nurturing behavior that will help reduce the risk of child maltreatment. To ensure children are raised in safe, healthy and loving home environments.



Weslaco Museum \$11,500

The Weslaco Museum proposes to establish a safe hands-on STEM educational area within the confines of the current museum to be done in three phases. Covid-19 proved that the Mid-Valley has very few safe, fun, educational, and cost-effective family activities.



Tropical Texas Behavioral Health \$520,000

The purpose of the grant is to address diabetes and modifiable risk factors via primary care services to Mid-Valley residents which will include education and support from increased engagement made possible through remote patient monitoring devices.



Valley Nature Center \$85,000

Nature Quest Summer Camp gives children and families a high-quality experience emphasizing health, nutrition, education, sustainability, and personal responsibility.



Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement & Additional Hospital Support \$3,000,000.00

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2020 Grant Recipients - \$4,054,958



Access Esperanza Clinics, Inc. \$100,000

Funds requested to supplement gap in funding to provide services to Mid-Valley residents. The gap in funding is created from a reduction of State funding.



El Milagro Clinic \$100,000

Funding to provide basic health care services via the El Milagro mobile van. Services include screenings, diagnosis and treatment, diabetes prevention and management education, COVID-19 testing and supplemental services to colonia residents in the Mid-Valley.



Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley \$50,000

Funding to allow for continued distributions of thousands of pounds of food and fresh produce to vulnerable populations within the KCCF community footprint.



Holy Family Services, Inc. \$100,000

Funds to expand education about Gestational Diabetes Mellitus (GDM) and Diabetes Mellitus (DM) in the Mid-Valley, and to provide related services.



IDEA Public Schools \$100,000.00

To enhance the IDEA Healthy Kids Here Project by: increasing healthiness of meals; incorporate moderate to vigorous physical activity on campus; to provide health screenings (and track indicators) of students for healthier outcomes.



Rio Grande Valley Diabetes Association \$10,000

Funding to allow the RGVDA to continue delivering presentations, via several social platforms, on the following topics: "HealthCare at Its Best" and "Cooking with the Stars", to residents of the Rio Grande Valley.



South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$84,250

Requested funds will serve to continue to support STJDA operations and projects that serve children living with diabetes and their families, in the Mid-Valley.



Su Casa De Esperanza \$55,718

Request will enable staff to continue to deliver services, as well as include educational videos to parents during this difficult time where COVID continues to be a barrier for the families that Su Casa serves.



Texas A & M Foundation \$99,990

The goal of this study is to assess the benefits associated with the delivery of Diabetes Care Collaborative Program (DCCM) telehealth services by pharmacists and RDs under the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions.



Tropical Texas Behavioral Health \$100,000

The proposed program will allow TTBH to remotely monitoring a patient's blood sugar via a web application. Patients included in this program have Severe Mental Illness (SMI) and diabetes.



The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley \$95,000

The goal of the project is to improve the health of Mid-Valley residents through targeted outreach utilizing the UniMóvil mobile clinic that can reach all Mid-Valley areas.



Valley Nature Center \$50,000

Request to continue providing both virtual and onsite programs to participants, as safely as possible, through the camp programs.



It's Time Texas – UCD Health Connect \$110,000

Request to continue the UCD Health Connect platform that will share critical data on diabetes throughout the RGV.



Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement & Additional Hospital Support \$3,000,000.00

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2019 EMERGENCY Grant Recipients



Access Esperanza Clinics, Inc. \$15,000

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), upgrade for audio/visual equipment for communications, staff meetings and trainings.



Amigos Del Valle \$15,000

Purchase of a meal service tracking software to facilitate managing reservations, delivery confirmations, demographics, and roster of clients.



Aurora House \$15,000

COVID-19 testing for staff, sanitation supplies and equipment and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).



Dentists Who Care \$15,000

To support general operations of the organization.



Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley \$14,952

Request for food expenses and decontamination stations, to include UV lights for sanitization purposes.



Holy Family Services, Inc. \$15,000

To create a hardship fund for clients, provide grief counseling and support for general operations.



El Milagro Clinic \$13,000

Funding to support the cost of an armed security officer that will ensure safety and order during COVID-19 testing; additionally, to support costs for sanitation/cleaning supplies for the clinic.



MHP Salud \$14,995

Funding to purchase health and safety kits (reusable masks, wipes, hand sanitizer, etc) for Mid-Valley community residents.



Prevent Blindness Texas \$7,500

Request for telehealth eye healthcare personnel, Treatment Fund and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).



South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$15,000

Request for personnel and general operations of the organization through the COVID-19 pandemic.



Special Olympics Texas \$13,564

Request for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for the athletes with intellectual disabilities population in the Mid-Valley/Rio Grande Valley.



Su Casa De Esperanza \$15,000

Request to upgrade technology to enable Su Casa to continue to provide services during the pandemic, and to purchase program supplies.



Team MARIO \$15,000.00

Request for Operations, Virtual Training, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and cleaning/sanitation supplies,



Valley Nature Center \$15,000

Request for personnel and general office expenses and Meal program for Mid-Valley residents.

2019 Grant Recipients



County of Hidalgo – Pct. #1 \$150,000

To enhance and develop Sunrise Hill Park, a park located in a remote and unincorporated area of Hidalgo County, by adding an all-inclusive playground and playground surface, accessible exercise equipment and a walking trail.



IDEA Public Schools \$100,000

To enhance Healthy Kids Here Project by adding a Farm to School Learning Hub in IDEA Elsa campus; a one-day training for surrounding school districts (Mercedes/Progreso); an immersive student artwork exhibit (Baylor’s Collaborative on Hunger & Poverty).



Prevent Blindness Texas \$27,502

To integrate and expand services to medically underserved adults in the Mid-Valley; services such as: early detection (distance/near visual acuity screening), risk assessment, retinal screenings, eye health education, and navigation services for eye care services.



South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$50,000

To continue expanding diabetes services to Mid-Valley families through the annual one-week residential camp in La Feria (Mid-Valley), provide a youth & young adult leadership training, increase specialized food pantry allocation and expand community garden.



Special Olympics Texas \$15,000

To conduct an obesity and diabetes screening study, in collaboration with UTRGV, of their special population, which includes children and adults with Intellectual Disabilities (ID).



Su Casa De Esperanza \$60,000

To install new playground equipment and assist in furnishing a new building, acquired through the assistance of Meadows Foundation. Additionally, funding will support Su Casa programs.



Valley Nature Center \$70,000

To provide summer camps to children. The camps are specific to children with special needs (Autism, Diabetes, Down Syndrome, Intellectual Disorders), age based camps, robotics camp and forensics camp. Camps include nutritious breakfasts, lunches, and snacks.

Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement & Additional Hospital Support \$3,000,000

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2018 Non-Profit Organizational Capacity Recipients



Holy Family Services, Inc. \$76,083

Funding for an Organizational Capacity Assessment, and to address top needs identified: Marketing Strategy, Billing Specialist, Board Development



South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$41,083

Funding for an Organizational Capacity Assessment, and to address top needs identified: Organizational & Operational Planning, Staffing and Volunteer Audit, Succession Planning



Special Olympics \$31,083

Funding for an Organizational Capacity Assessment, and to address top needs identified: Fund development planning and individual coaching and mentoring



Su Casa De Esperanza \$51,083

Funding for an Organizational Capacity Assessment, and to address top needs identified: Board development, Culture of Philanthropy, Maximize “Su Casa” story



Valley Nature Center \$36,083

Funding for an Organizational Capacity Assessment, and to address top needs identified: Board development and technology needs

2018 Grant Recipients



Weslaco Museum \$5,750

To support the 100th health celebration of the City of Weslaco



Dentists Who Care \$180,000

To provide dental services to uninsured children and adults in the Mid-Valley, specifically concentrating on those with or at-risk of diabetes.



Holy Family Services \$45,000

To lower gestational diabetes rates in the Mid-Valley through prevention, nutrition education and educational classes that increase knowledge of the dangers in women at-risk in the Mid-Valley.



Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute \$159,233

To integrate mental health content into the GLB program, a 1 year curriculum designed for individuals at-risk for developing Type II diabetes.



Special Olympics, TX, Inc. \$25,922

To enhance a year-round athletic training and competition to athletes with intellectual disabilities in the Mid-Valley, as well as support the year-round program through collaboration with Mid-Valley schools.



Team MARIO \$99,020

To address the “autism tsunami” of overweight issues teenagers and young adults face as they transition into adulthood, and to continue to bring autism awareness to the Mid-Valley communities.



Texas A & M University Health Science Center \$370,666

To address diabetes and obesity in the Mid-Valley by developing and implementing a culturally appropriate diabetes education curriculum for children/youth by including the family as a whole, and to introduce lifestyle interventions which include exercise and nutrition.



UT Health Science Center @ Houston \$450,344

To enhance the shared measurement system platform (UCD Health Connect) to the next level by expanding the broad scale level use of the quality data currently housed in the UCD system.



Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement & Additional Hospital Support \$3,000,000

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2017 Grant Recipients



Access Esperanza Clinics, Inc. \$257,100

Access Esperanza will provide screenings, education, and support to young adults who are at high-risk for diabetes.

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The Boys and Girls Club of Weslaco, Inc. \$60,000

The program emphasizes regular physical activity and proper nutrition in order to combat childhood obesity at the Rico Elementary in Weslaco.



City of Weslaco \$250,000

The City of Weslaco will transform forty (40) plus acres of open green space, located on Mile 11, into a community park.



Dentists Who Care \$165,000

To provide dental services to uninsured children and adults in the Mid-Valley.



El Milagro Clinic \$400,000

El Milagro will implement a patient-centered holistic approach for diabetes education, lifestyle changes, self-management and social support to positively impact the health of pre-diabetic and diabetic participants via their Diabetes Reduction, Education & Awareness in the Mid-Valley (DREAM) program.



Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley \$60,036

The Food Bank of the RGV will combine their food relief and health education program with a Diabetes Prevention Program in Mid-Valley colonias.



South Texas College \$50,000

STC's ADN and LVN students, in partnership with local independent school districts, will guide local high school students into healthier lifestyles through diabetes and obesity prevention.



South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$103,500

STJDA will expand their diabetes programs and services to families and communities into the Mid-Valley.



Su Casa De Esperanza \$51,693

Su Casa will integrate the HealthFit for Life nutrition education and physical activity into their existing program to reduce/prevent diabetes and obesity within the colonia population.



Texas A & M University Health Science Center School of Public Health \$349,640

TAMU will design a culturally competent outreach program for women of reproductive age (15-44) in the Mid-Valley area which includes community needs assessment among women of reproductive age.



The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston \$20,000

Through several partners, including Unidos Contra la Diabetes (UCD), UT Houston will address important health challenges in the Rio Grande Valley (RGV) by developing an online electronic data platform.



The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley \$1,989,727

UTRGV will characterize the genetic and environmental determinants of risk for diabetes, obesity, and the related disorders of heart disease and fatty liver disease via the Screening High-Risk Families for Diabetes to Establish a Genomic Research Center project.



Valley Nature Center \$100,000

Valley Nature Center will provide summer camps to children of all ages as well as children with special needs; camps include nutritious breakfasts, lunches, and snacks.



City of Weslaco \$200,000

The City of Weslaco re-developed the Isaac Rodriguez Park by constructing a walking/jogging trail, improving the skateboard section, and including a nine-hole disc golf for use by the community.



Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement & Additional Hospital Support \$3,000,000

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2016 Grant Recipients



Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement and additional hospital support \$3,000,000

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2015 Grant Recipients



Valley Nature Center \$28,750

Valley Nature Center held three (3) week long camp sessions for children with special needs: Autism, Down Syndrome, and Diabetes.



City of Mercedes \$500,000

A collaborative of several funders enabled the city to build a Community/Sports park around a Safe Room/Community Center in the Mercedes area to create a “wellness and prevention through exercise” project.



Easter Seals RGV \$182,563

The Parents as Teachers (PAT) is a preventative program designed to recognize early detection developmental delays and health issues in children under kindergarten age.



IDEA Academy \$115,000.00

Introduced and reinforced healthy lifestyle choices, Health Kids Here Project, in school age children by providing alternatives to food rewards, changes to menus, and revitalizing the physical education program.



Nuestra Clinica Del Valle \$345,000

NCDV implemented a Type II Diabetes prevention program to target pre-diabetic adults at high-risk of developing diabetes, and enroll them into an exercise program for 16 weeks.



South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association \$11,500.00

STJDA implemented a diabetes education and awareness program, STOMP Out Diabetes, in the Edcouch/Elsa, Donna and Weslaco ISD's. which included week-long education sessions to students



Team MARIO \$65,021.00

Team MARIO provided social skill events for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) in small groups via Project PLAY.



Texas A&M Health Science Center \$374,042

An evidenced-based asthma education and outreach program in collaboration with several partners, which included an intervention component that taught parents how to identify asthma signs and symptoms, triggers in the home, and ways to mitigate an asthma attack.



Texas A&M Health Science Center \$342,127

A program to reduce obesity and prevent type II diabetes in Mid-Valley colonia residents by engaging neighborhood groups of 10 women each in 8 weeks of participatory health education and activities.



Tropical Texas Behavioral Health \$471,000

The Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) program provides treatment, rehabilitation, and support services to patients with serious mental illnesses.



Tropical Texas Behavioral Health \$40,000

The Mobile Crisis Outreach Team (MCOT) unit provides prompt face-to-face crisis assessment, crisis intervention services, and crisis follow-up and relapse prevention services in mid-valley communities.



Tropical Texas Behavioral Health \$7,500

An educational conference, Mindscape: Behavioral Health Today, for the mental health & social service community.



University of Texas Pan American (UTPA) Foundation \$50,000

An "obesity and diabetes prevention through nutrition education" program, Creating Healthy Eating Choices for Kids (CHECK Project), held in the Delta area and involved students planting above ground fruit/vegetable gardens to extend their connection to food sources.



Women Together Foundation/Mujeres Unidas \$65,281

Women Together/Mujeres Unidas conducted a program on healthy relationships and attitudes to children and teens within the Weslaco ISD.



Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement and additional hospital support \$3,500,000

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2014 Grant Recipients



Aurora House \$135,669

Aurora House, a special care facility for end-of-life care, provided nursing professionals and other health care professionals with palliative care training and education through instruction and seminars.

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Boys & Girls Club of Weslaco, Inc. \$63,250

The B&G Club implemented the Triple Play/Healthy Habits program, that teaches students overall nutrition knowledge, how to make positive food choices and the importance of exercise.



Knapp Medical Center \$900,000

Knapp Medical Center will develop and operate a family medicine residency program in Weslaco in an effort to increase access to primary care by recruiting and training physicians, (Weslaco Family Practice Residency Program).



Little League Baseball, Inc. Weslaco \$33,977

Weslaco Little League addressed health and wellness through physical activity to local youth, as well as updating much needed equipment.



Su Casa De Esperanza \$61,583

Su Casa De Esperanza expanded their programs, "Becoming a Mom" and "My Nine Months" to promote healthy pregnancies and address the prevention of premature births during the prenatal period to colonia residents.



Weslaco Softball Baseball \$47,970

Year-long participation in both girls' softball and boys' baseball, by equipping the organization with much needed equipment and supplies, as well as lawn.



Knapp Medical Center – Indigent Healthcare Agreement and Additional Hospital Support \$3,400,000

Knapp Community Care Foundation supported Knapp Medical Center to offset the high cost of providing indigent health care to the uninsured in our community.