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ACC Trustees and staff join Earl Maxwell, CEO of St. David's Foundation, in a check presentation.

HEALTH CARE EDUCATION GETS A BOOST

St. David's Foundation funds several health care educational programs

AUSTIN – St. David's Foundation announced today that it is awarding \$2.48 million in grants to help provide innovative educational opportunities in the health care arena for local students.

“Investing in a strong educational future for the next generation of Central Texans is one of the most important goals at St. David's Foundation,” said Earl Maxwell, Chief Executive Officer of the Foundation. “All of us benefit when we provide area students with the best health care education and training available. These grants help assure that future health care professionals can get specialized training in a variety of settings.”

Austin Community College's Round Rock campus will receive \$2,030,000 for the newly named St. David's Health Sciences Building. Open for classes in August, 2010, the 92,000 s.f. Health Sciences building holds classes for the ACC nursing program, as well as other health care professions. Over 2,400 students in all health sciences took classes in the building this semester.

“St. David's Foundation and Austin Community College have forged a unique partnership that will bolster health care educational opportunities right here in Central Texas,” said Dr. Stephen Kinslow, ACC President/CEO. “The generosity of St. David's Foundation will have an enormous impact on the lives of our students for many years to come.”

\$250,000 will be invested by St. David's Foundation in creation of a state-of-the-art videoconference facility for nursing students at Concordia University Texas. With this new technology, students will

attend virtual guest lectures from the country’s top health care professors and seasoned health care practitioners, all while pursuing their studies on the Concordia University Texas campus.

Last but not least, St. David’s is awarding \$200,000 to Capital IDEA to provide funding for recipients pursuing nursing degrees. Capital IDEA is a Central Texas non-profit focused on uplifting working families through educational sponsorships. The organization works to support low-earning adults with the challenges that can interfere with pursuing training for health care professions, including lack of transportation and childcare.

In addition to these educational grants, St. David’s Foundation is also awarding \$11.7 million in grants to nonprofits, improving access to health care for low income Central Texans (see chart below for detailed grant information).

St. David’s Foundation provides funding each year through grants in six areas, including Healthy Aging, Healthy Futures, Healthy Living, Healthy Minds, Healthy People and Healthy Smiles.

A complete listing by category of the grants follows:



St. David’s Foundation Grants for Healthy People

PRIMARY CARE		
El Buen Samaritano	\$615,000	<i>Wallace Mallory Clinic</i>
Lone Star Circle of Care	\$1,800,000	<i>LSCC—A patient-centered health care home</i>
People’s Community Clinic	\$2,250,000	<i>Healthy Kids medical care and general operations</i>
Samaritan Health Ministries	\$80,000	<i>Health care for the uninsured of Williamson and Travis counties</i>
UT School of Nursing	\$349,099	<i>Family Wellness Center and Children’s Wellness Center</i>
Volunteer Healthcare Clinic	\$67,250	<i>Medical services</i>
SPECIALTY CARE		
AIDS Services of Austin	\$122,000	<i>Jack Sansing Dental Clinic</i>
AIDS Services of Austin	\$107,000	<i>Medical case management</i>
Any Baby Can	\$40,000	<i>Assist children with audiological impairment</i>
Breast Cancer Resource Center	\$202,688	<i>Comprehensive breast cancer patient navigation</i>
Cancer Connection	\$50,937	<i>Care partners in clinical settings</i>
CommuniCare Health Centers – Kyle	\$264,683	<i>Dental operations</i>
Community Health Centers of South Central Texas, Inc.	\$140,000	<i>Expansion of dental clinic in Luling, TX (Caldwell County)</i>
Easter Seals Central Texas	\$60,000	<i>Rehabilitation Clinic-Sliding Fee Scale program</i>
Lone Star Circle of Care	\$134,000	<i>Expansion of Medical Assistance Through Community Health Care (Match) program</i>
Manos de Cristo	\$30,000	<i>Dental care for low-income Central Texans</i>
People’s Community Clinic	\$300,000	<i>Tandem Teen Prenatal and Parenting program</i>
SafePlace	\$280,000	<i>SafeHealth: health care services for SafePlace clients</i>
TOTAL HEALTHY PEOPLE	\$6,892,657	



St. David's Foundation Grants for Healthy Aging

Austin Groups for the Elderly	\$157,500	<i>Supportive services to enhance independent living for seniors</i>
Capital Area Food Bank of Texas	\$60,000	<i>Healthy Options Program for the Elderly (HOPE)</i>
Capital City Village	\$55,000	<i>Program operations</i>
Care Communities	\$66,183	<i>Expansion to serve clients and recruit volunteers</i>
Austin Groups for the Elderly	\$88,330	<i>Caregiver University</i>
Combined Community Action	\$30,000	<i>Homemaker and handyman program</i>
Faith in Action Caregivers	\$125,000	<i>Support services for seniors</i>
Family Eldercare	\$175,000	<i>Aging in Place program</i>
Hospice Austin	\$140,000	<i>Hospice Austin charity care</i>
Meals on Wheels and More	\$200,000	<i>Primary and secondary meals and Mike's Place</i>
New Connections	\$47,672	<i>Program operations</i>
Round Rock Area Serving Center	\$130,000	<i>Senior assistance and case management</i>
Texas Ramp Project	\$55,000	<i>Program operations</i>
Williamson-Burnet County Opportunities	\$112,000	<i>Senior nutrition program</i>
TOTAL HEALTHY AGING	\$1,441,685	

More grants from St. David's Foundation

Healthy People Capital Grant	\$482,000	<i>Expansion of Community Health Centers of South Central Texas, Inc. dental clinic in Luling</i>
Healthy Living Capital Grant	\$1,838,536	<i>Commercial kitchen buildouts at KIPP (\$522,536) and UT Elementary (\$1,316,000)</i>
Healthy Minds	\$459,662	<i>Psychiatric service pilot project with LifeWorks, CIS, and SafePlace</i>
Miscellaneous Capital Grants	\$185,728	<i>Improvement projects at AIDS Services of Austin, Austin Groups for the Elderly, Boys & Girls Clubs, Easter Seals, and People's Community Clinic</i>
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TOTAL	\$3,393,131	

ABOUT ST. DAVID'S FOUNDATION:

The vision of St. David's Foundation is to keep the promise of a better life by improving health and health care for all Central Texans. The Foundation's mission is to work with commitment, integrity, and respect to achieve our vision in our hospitals, programs, and community partnerships. In 2010, the Foundation will invest \$27 million in the community through grants to mental health agencies, agencies serving the elderly, ill and homeless, and many of the area's private safety net clinics, and the St. David's Dental Program. For more information on St. David's Foundation, visit www.stdavidsfoundation.org.

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