

The Health Foundation of Central Massachusetts - Board Designated Grants Made 2000-2017

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Year	Project Title	Organization	Project Description	\$
2001	Community Indicators Report	United Way of Central Massachusetts	For a comprehensive community assessment on health status in the Greater Worcester and South Worcester region. □	\$18,000
2001	Planning Session Sponsorship: Community Indicators	United Way of Central Massachusetts	To conduct planning sessions for a community indicators project and the Summit for Progress. □	\$15,000
2001	Worcester Education Partnership Youth Development Initiative	Clark University	To promote academic achievement and youth development at the secondary school level. □	\$250,000
2001	Community Health Needs Assessment of N. Worcester County	Montachusett Opportunity Council	To measure the health status and determine the health needs of residents in eleven communities within the Greater Gardner and Greater Fitchburg area. □	\$17,500
2002	Better Ending - Improve End of Life Care	UMass Medical School	For a coalition to address end-of-life issues (including advance medical directives, compassionate health care, pain management, decision making and family issues) to implement community-wide strategies to improve the quality of end of life care. □	\$10,000
2002	Training Shelter Staff Serving Clients with Trauma/Violence Histories	UMass Medical School	To improve the efficacy of homeless shelter staff in Central Massachusetts in responding to the needs of homeless women who are survivors of severe trauma and violence. □	\$49,852
2003	Better Ending, Year 1: Improve Care at the End of Life	C. Mass Partnership to Improve Care at the End of Life	To implement the first year of a three-year "Better Ending" initiative to improve the care of terminally-ill patients by improving the level of comfort, patient choice, and family support for people at the end of life. □	\$20,000
2003	Common Pathways, Year 1	LUK, Inc.	Common Pathways aims to work in partnership with the City of Worcester to convene a broad representation of the community to engage in planning the City's future, improving the health of the population and the quality of community and civic life. □	\$50,000
2004	Better Ending, Year 2: Improve Care at the End of Life	C. Mass Partnership to Improve Care at the End of Life	For a second year of funding to support partnership operations to implement programs that improve the level of comfort, patient choice, and family support for people at the end of life. □	\$20,000
2004	Common Pathways, Year 2	LUK, Inc.	For a second year of funding for the multi-year 'Healthy Communities' initiative in Greater Worcester. □	\$50,000
2004	Health Access and Affordability Act Campaign	Health Care For All	To support a public awareness and policy campaign to achieve universal access to affordable insurance coverage, improve health care quality, and control health care costs. □	\$25,000
2004	Revitalize School-Based Health Centers in Mass	Mass Association for School-Based Health Care	For support as a funding partner for The Massachusetts Coalition of School-Based Health Centers to hire an executive director, and improve the capacity of the coalition to build a grassroots advocacy network and increase state and federal funding to sustain school-based health centers in Massachusetts. □	\$30,000
2005	Better Ending, Year 3: Improve Care at the End of Life	C. Mass Partnership to Improve Care at the End of Life	For a third year of funding to support partnership operations to implement programs that improve the level of comfort, patient choice, and family support for people at the end of life. □	\$20,000
2005	Common Pathways, Year 3	LUK, Inc.	For a third year of funding for the multi-year 'Healthy Communities' initiative in Greater Worcester. □	\$50,000
2005	Quaboag Hills Community Health Assessment Project	Baystate Mary Lane Hospital	To support a regional community health assessment process to gather and map health and resource data. □	\$30,000

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2005	Health Access and Affordable Care Today, Year 2	Health Care For All	A second year of support for a public awareness and policy campaign to achieve universal access to affordable insurance coverage, improve health care quality, and control health care costs.	\$25,000
2005	Emergency Assistance Sewage Cleanup	Worcester Community Housing Resources	To assist Worcester residents in need of assistance to clean their homes and eliminate a public health and sanitation threat after the sewage overflow during the recent "250 Year Rain".	\$20,000
2005	Neighborhoods and You	Montachusett Opportunity Council	To establish in collaboration with local agencies, schools and city government a neighborhood-based community development and capacity building initiative in response to an increase in drugs, crime and violence in the City of Fitchburg.	\$23,081
2005	North Quabbin Indicators Project	North Quabbin Community Coalition	To coordinate an indicators project to identify measures, locate data and develop strategies to impact the measures in: domestic violence, youth & child sexual abuse prevention, dental access, healthcare access, family literacy and adult education, and economic development.	\$21,115
2006	Consumer Health Quality Initiative, Year 1	Health Care For All	To support Health Care For All in efforts to improve health care quality.	\$25,000
2006	Youth Employment Fund	United Way of Central Massachusetts	For support with others in Worcester to provide 1,000 summer jobs for youth in 2006.	\$30,000
2006	Task Force on Youth Aging Out of DSS Care	The Home for Little Wanderers	Support for The Home for Little Wanderers to research and provide a plan to assist youth aging out of DSS care.	\$40,000
2006	Health Access and Affordable Care Today, Year 3	Health Care For All	A third year of support for Health Care For All in their ongoing efforts to ensure the maximum implementation of Chapter 58, the state's new health care reform law.	\$25,000
2007	Children's Mental Health Campaign	Health Care For All	To support the Children's Mental Health Campaign, a five-year comprehensive program for the prevention and treatment of children's mental health problems.	\$25,000
2007	Youth Employment Workforce Initiative	United Way of Central Massachusetts	To help support jobs for young people in non-profit social service, environmental and cultural organizations.	\$30,000
2007	Health Indicators Needs Assessment	Harrington Memorial Hospital	To conduct a comprehensive Health Indicators Needs Assessment for the 15 communities in the South County Worcester region.	\$50,000
2007	Neighborhoods and You, Year 2	Montachusett Opportunity Council	A second year of funding to target six identified problem neighborhoods and specifically look to involve young people, working with adults to solve problems and develop vibrant, culturally rich neighborhoods.	\$34,422
2007	Guide for a Better Ending Brochures	C. Mass Partnership to Improve Care at the End of Life	For 20,000 copies of a "Better Ending" brochure, pamphlet and wallet cards and 400 copies of a companion video to be used by local health care organizations.	\$15,000
2007	Consumer Health Quality Initiative, Year 2	Health Care For All	To continue support for Health Care For All to continue their advocacy and consumer awareness efforts for the Consumer Health Quality Initiative.	\$25,000
2007	Common Pathways, Year 4	LUK, Inc.	For a fourth year of funding for the multi-year 'Healthy Communities' initiative in Greater Worcester.	\$25,000
2007	Health Access and Affordable Care Today, Year 4	Health Care For All	A fourth year of support for Health Care For All's ongoing efforts to ensure the continued successful implementation of the state's health care reform law.	\$25,000

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2008	Consumer Health Quality Initiative, Year 3	Health Care For All	To continue support for Health Care For All for their Consumer Health Quality Council to continue their advocacy and consumer awareness efforts.	\$25,000
2008	Task Force on Youth Aging Out of DCF Care	The Home for Little Wanderers	Additional support for The Home for Little Wanderers for their ongoing efforts to to change the way that DSS deals with children aging out of their system.	\$15,000
2008	Health Access and Affordable Care Today, Year 5	Health Care For All	A fifth year of support for Health Care For All for their continued work on health care reform implementation and the work of their HelpLine dealing with health insurance and coverage issues.	\$25,000
2009	Consumer Health Quality Initiative, Year 4	Health Care For All	To continue support for Health Care For All to continue their work on health care quality.	\$50,000
2010	Mental Health Parity Project	Health Law Advocates	To provide legal advocacy for individual Worcester County residents who have been denied mental health care from private health plans; educate consumers and providers about their rights to mental health coverage; develop and initiate system-wide legal action to improve coverage under commercial plans; and continue non-legal advocacy efforts with the Children's Mental Health Campaign and others. □	\$85,000
2010	Campaign for Addiction Prevention Treatment & Recovery □	Association for Behavioral Healthcare	To support the Campaign for Addiction Prevention, Treatment and Recovery in their efforts to keep the sales tax on alcohol purchased in Massachusetts stores. Revenues generated by the sales tax are used to support the work of the Massachusetts Bureau of Substance Abuse Services.	\$10,000
2011	2011 Disaster Relief Efforts	American Red Cross of Central Mass	In the wake of the June 1, 2011 devastating tornadoes and severe storms that affected much of Central Massachusetts, this grant is to the American Red Cross of Central Massachusetts for its "disaster relief" fund.	\$10,000
2011	CMOHI Dental Residency Program	Mass League of Community Health Centers	Support for the Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers (MLCHC) to serve as the fiscal agent to oversee dental residents provided through the Lutheran Medical Center's Advanced Education in General Dentistry program. Funding goes to the MLCHC, Family Health Center of Worcester, the Edward M. Kennedy Community Health Center, Community Health Connections in Fitchburg and to the various dental specialists who teach the residents. □	\$150,000
2011	Children's Mental Health Campaign	Children's Hospital Boston	Support for The Children's Mental Health Campaign to ensure that children receive quality mental health care by transforming the state's mental health care system.	\$25,000
2012	Crisis Intervention and Diversion Project	National Alliance on Mental Illness	Support to address the decriminalization of mental illness through a five year plan that involves; improving training on mental illness at various law enforcement academies, advocating for ongoing public funding for such training and working with insurers to expand insurance coverage for emergency service providers. □	\$25,000
2013	Children's Mental Health Campaign	Mass Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children	To continue support for the Children's Mental Health Campaign which ensures that children with mental health conditions and their families have access to the right services at the time they need them.	\$25,000
2013	Criminal Justice Diversion Project	National Alliance on Mental Illness	Continued support for NAMI in their efforts to decriminalize mental illness who during the first year developed a 12-hour curriculum on mental illness for new police recruits, in partnership with the Municipal Police Training Committee and the Department of Mental Health and developed a new on-line resource to help navigate the criminal justice system for people with mental illness and their families. □	\$25,000

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2014	Transition Age Youth Pilot Program	South Middlesex Opportunity Council	Support for the South Middlesex Opportunity Council, the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance and the Massachusetts Behavioral Health Partnership for a community-based support program for transition-aged youth between the ages of 18 and 24. They will provide individualized case management coordination, along with access to primary health care and behavioral health services in conjunction with housing, in order to reduce or eliminate the amount of time youth spend in homeless situations.	\$30,000
2014	Children's Mental Health Campaign	Mass Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children	To continue support for the Children's Mental Health Campaign which ensures that children with mental health conditions and their families have access to the right services at the time they need them.	\$25,000
2014	Criminal Justice Diversion Project	National Alliance on Mental Illness	The Criminal Justice Diversion Project works to prevent the unnecessary arrest of individuals with mental illness by supporting training for police officers and initiating reform on a systemic level. During the past year, NAMI developed a mandatory three-hour in-service training for veteran police officers in collaboration with the Department of Mental Health and the Municipal Police Training Committee. Police officers across the state will receive this training by September 2015.	\$25,000
2014	Central Massachusetts DataCommon - Phase 2	Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission	The DataCommon is an accessible, open platform database that could be used by organizations, agencies or even individuals to support policy-making decisions, program development, benchmarking and projections. DataCommon will facilitate access to and sharing of a range of interactive useable data on topics including health, housing, education, crime, recreation, employment and culture.	\$25,000
2015	Special Initiative to Protect Consumers' Legal Rights to Coverage Under Health Reform	Health Law Advocates	Health Law Advocates (HLA) is working to help individuals who may lose their health care coverage as a result of having to enroll in new state insurance programs. HLA's goal is to alleviate barriers to affordable health care for low-income consumers arising in 2015 because of the implementation of federal health care reform.	\$101,630
2016	Wiser Women	Advocates, Inc.	Advocates is conducting a six-month test to pilot the Wiser Women model which is based on the successful WISR model and adapted to meet the unique needs of women. Wiser Women will build upon current programming that is available to the women at MCI-Framingham, the South Middlesex Correctional Center and the Women's Correctional Center. Reentry navigators will work to help these women bridge the gap in services and supports that exists for women as they come back into the community. Advocates anticipates recruiting 15 women returning to Worcester for this pilot and plans to evaluate it based on predictive factors that have been shown to reduce recidivism rates among men.	\$50,435
2016	Support for The Campaign For a Safe and Healthy MA	The Campaign For a Safe and Healthy MA	The Campaign for a Safe and Healthy Massachusetts has been set up to oppose Ballot Question #4 – Legalization, regulation and taxation of marijuana on the 2016 Massachusetts ballot. This grant is for the Campaign to use in their ongoing education and grassroots lobbying efforts to defeat this ballot question.	\$100,000
2017	WIPLE in the Community	Latino Education Institute of Worcester State University	The Latino Education Institute (LEI) of Worcester State University is working to expand and broaden the Worcester Institute for Parent Leadership in Education (WIPLE) program in the Worcester Public Schools. This grant will help to expand WIPLE to two elementary schools that are part of the Foundation's Worcester HEARS Synergy Initiative project in the fall of 2017 and two additional Worcester HEARS elementary schools in the spring of 2018.	\$40,000