

**Illinois Children's  
Healthcare Foundation  
2005 Annual Report**



## Our mission

Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation creates opportunities for and leads in the development of initiatives that improve the health of all children. We support organizations that share our values of open collaboration and selfless commitment to this purpose.

We are committed to:

- *improving the oral health of underserved children*
- *addressing their mental health needs*
- *increasing the incidence of developmental screening*
- *monitoring emerging health issues in the state*

## On the cover

Tiana Webb, age 8 in this photo, of Champaign, a client of the Champaign-Urbana Public Health Department.

## Letter from the chairman of the board

As we look forward to the third year of providing financial support to grantees partnering with the Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation to achieve a shared vision of providing and improving healthcare for the children of Illinois, I want to begin by thanking our first-year 2004 grantees. Thirty-two not-for-profit organizations received a total of over \$5.2 million to institute or expand programs which will help us realize our mission.

The 2004–2005 grant cycles progressed under the leadership of founding chair C. William Pollard and with the tireless commitment of each of our Board members. On behalf of the children, they all have my deepest gratitude.

Now we look to our 2005 grantee partners to achieve results from programs focusing on school and community-based initiatives in the areas of children's access to healthcare, mental health, oral health and developmental screening. Their success will help drive our efforts in the future.

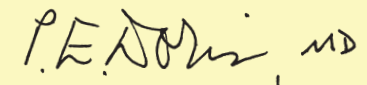
To prepare our organization for the work ahead of us, we increased the size of our Board to better meet financial reporting requirements, and we will expand our Advisory Council and Advisory Committee to assist us in identifying and addressing critical children's healthcare issues statewide.

We are piloting a program of Engagement Grants as a way to "think out of the box," and to encourage new, collaborative programs that leverage assets to address the health needs of underserved children.

What we have accomplished and what great tasks lay before us evidence the dedication and hard work of the Board of Directors and our staff. Under the leadership of our president, Susan Kerr, our program officers Anna Laubach and Bob Egan have worked enthusiastically to identify and assist grantees who share our vision, and to monitor grant programs so that we all accomplish our goals.

I am honored to work with such dedicated members of the Board of Directors, grantees and staff who have all committed with such passion to the well-being of Illinois' greatest treasure: *its children*.

Sincerely,



Peter E. Doris, MD

The area of Calumet City/Burnham includes some of the most distressed communities in Chicago's south side. It has been designated a partially Medically Underserved Area by the Federal Bureau of Primary Health Care indicating the ratio of health providers serving low-income residents in the community is far below the national average.

To help ensure the children in this community have access to specific health services, Roseland Christian Ministries included a pediatric center in their new community clinic site that opened in 2005. Dollars awarded from ILCHF helped cover the costs for a full-time pediatrician and medical assistant. The ILCHF grant also provided vital operating resources for the clinic's first year of service.

By the end of their first year in operation, Dr. Perkins and her staff will have provided care to more than 800 children who may not have seen a pediatrician otherwise. Treatment at the clinic addresses the whole child, and parents are engaged through education on their child's general development, nutrition, safety issues, and at-home care for minor illnesses.

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**Almost 16,000 children  
will benefit from the  
15 grants awarded by  
ILCHF to community  
health centers in 2005.**





**school-based health center**

**Champaign-Urbana Public Health District**  
*Urbana*

Every day throughout Illinois, the dedicated staff at school health centers deliver primary preventive care and treatment to thousands of children at all grade levels in urban, rural and suburban schools.

School health centers play a vital role in many communities, helping to increase preventive health care to children, decrease school absenteeism, lessen emergency room visits, reduce unhealthy behaviors in adolescents, and improve access to other critical services including mental health and oral health.

Since the fall of 2004, a partnership of the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District, the Frances Nelson Community Health Center, the Champaign County Mental Health Center, Prairie Center Health Systems, and the Urbana School District have worked together to meet the most pressing health needs of the District's 4,000 children through a school-based health center. The Urbana School-Based Health Center is located in a converted shop class inside Urbana High School and is within walking distance for more than half of all students. Funding from ILCHF enabled the center to expand their capacity and more than double both the mental health and oral health services available to students. By the end of their first year, the clinic will serve the mental health and oral health needs of almost 900 children.

Over 18,000 children attending schools across the state will benefit from the 16 grants awarded by ILCHF to school health centers in 2005.



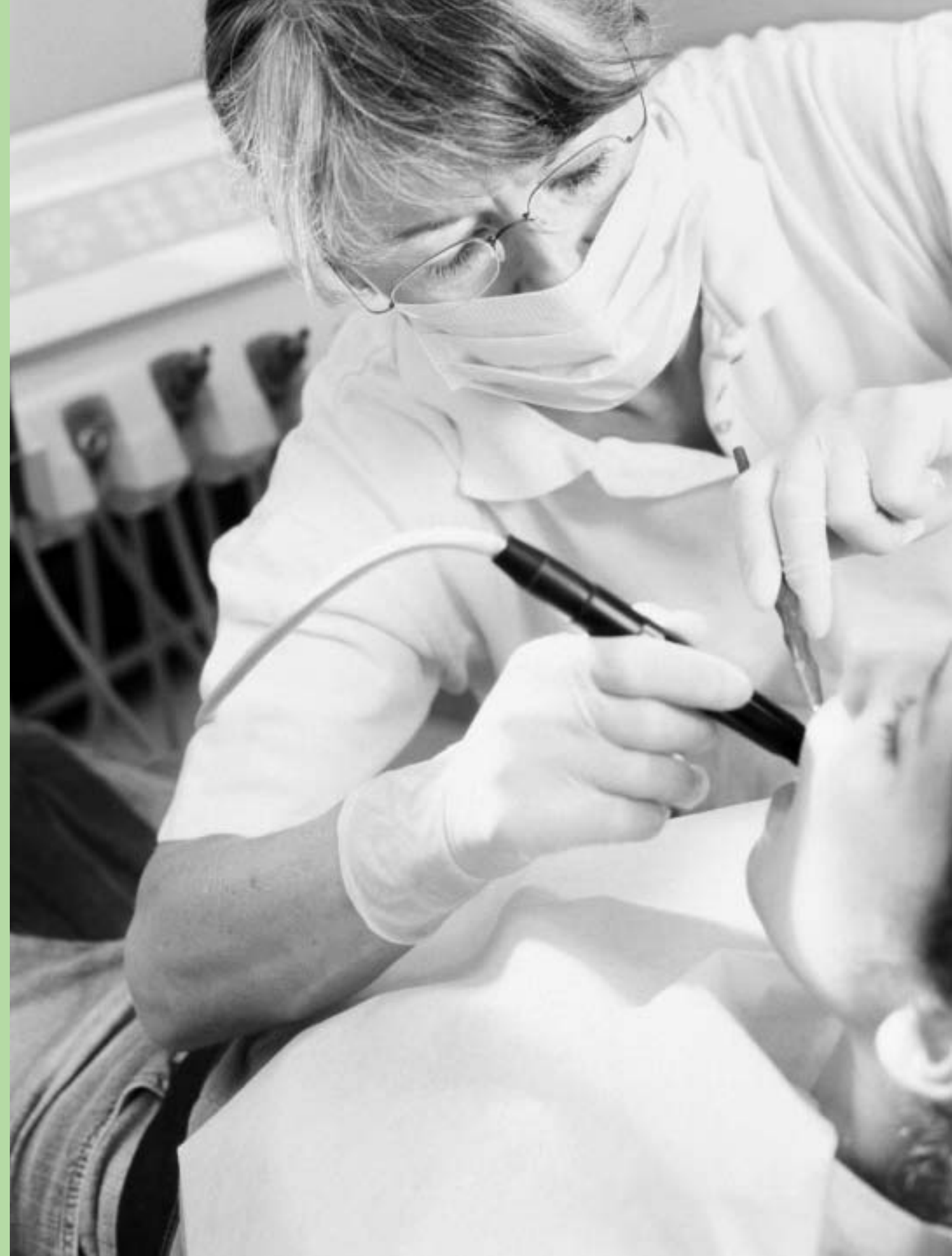
Adequate oral healthcare is clearly an unmet need for Logan County children. There is no dentist in the county that accepts Medicaid and there is no public transportation to help them get to a site elsewhere.

The nearest dentist that children with Medicaid can access is located 50 miles away.

To help combat unmet health needs like this one and address other health concerns of Logan County residents, The Healthy Communities Partnership began operations under the auspices of the Lincoln/Logan County Chamber of Commerce Healthcare Committee in 1998. They were one of the state's first community-based organizations to provide services to clients through a mobile health clinic program. Their initial unit traveled to 12 Logan County communities, hosting clinics at schools, large corporations and local businesses. Most activities the first few years focused on screenings, well-baby check-ups and school/work physicals.

In 2004, the Partnership realized that oral health needs were becoming acute and expanded their mobile program to offer a fully-operational dental/medical unit. Through a new unit funded by ILCHF, dental screenings, oral health education, dental sealants, and other services will be provided to at least 10% of all Logan County children annually beginning in the fall of 2006.

ILCHF recognizes the importance of mobile healthcare — the Care-A-Van in Franklin County; the Toothmobile in five counties across Central Illinois; and the SmileSquad in DuPage County — all helping to meet the needs of underserved children.





**Advocate Charitable Foundation**  
*Park Ridge*

Experts generally agree that because primary care providers are the only professionals that very young children (ages 0–3) see on a regular basis, they are the best positioned to screen this population. Unfortunately, most of these providers cite the barriers for identifying developmental delays or disabilities, as a lack of both training and the time required to provide screening in their practices.

Beginning in 2004, a unique partnership came together to address this need. The Advocate Health Care Healthy Steps Program, the Illinois Academy of Family Physicians (IAFP), the Illinois Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics (ICAAP), along with guidance from the Ounce of Prevention Fund, developed an initiative called Enhancing Developmentally Oriented Primary Care (EDOPC). The overall goal of EDOPC is to identify and overcome the barriers that pediatric primary care providers face when conducting developmental, social emotional, post-partum depression and domestic violence screenings; making appropriate referrals; and, attending to parents' developmental concerns.

Working together, these organizations have created a range of strategies that primary care settings can implement to most effectively provide comprehensive, developmentally oriented health care. Funding from ILCHF allowed them to further expand the on-site training, targeted education programs, quality improvement, technical assistance, and community resource development provided to clinicians in practice sites across the state.

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**Since the program began,  
training has been conducted  
with health professionals working  
in 67 sites across the state,  
potentially impacting  
the services provided to  
more than 100,000 children.**



Dear friends,

We began 2005 having just awarded our Foundation's first grants late in 2004. While our heads were spinning a bit, pleased by the grants we'd just made, we knew that it was only a start. With our second year of giving just beginning, we spent some time exploring the broader systems that exist to address children's health, decided where our dollars could have the most impact, and moved towards a **goal of addressing the most basic need for underserved children in Illinois: having a medical home.**

We know that there are two main approaches one can take to improve the access children have to health care:

- 1) expand health insurance coverage; and,
- 2) ensure an effective healthcare delivery system.

In Illinois we have a state government focused on addressing the question of health insurance for all children. Given the level of attention directed there, we felt it was **more important for us to focus on the places children receive care, and the professionals who care for them.**

Most of our efforts in 2005 were directed towards expanding the capabilities of the clinical network throughout our state that provides the majority of care to Illinois' uninsured/underinsured children, and those on Medicaid.

According to the Illinois Primary Health Care Association, 254 primary care clinical sites provided health care to over 900,000 patients in 2005—about 40% of them children. Some startling statistics . . . the percentage of uninsured children ages 0–19 seen at Illinois health centers has increased nearly 65% since 2000, while the number of children using health centers who are covered under Medicaid has increased almost 97%. Also, since 2000, patients and patient visits have grown significantly, 105% and 87% respectively. These clinics are the medical homes for the children we are working to serve. We believe that if we support their efforts to expand capabilities—help them become more comprehensive in their approach to providing care—then we will greatly improve the access children have to the services they need.

**So how have we done?** Early results are promising—based on the new or expanded services we helped establish with our funding last year, nearly 21,000 children annually will have access to oral health and mental/behavioral health services that they didn't have before. We helped establish mobile health programs that provided care and served as a link to connect children with a medical home. We funded the equipment and construction necessary for a number of community health centers to expand oral health care and general pediatric programs. We helped create or expand several school-based health centers, and assisted one statewide initiative designed to integrate mental/behavioral health services into primary care settings.

Our Board and Staff also reviewed our funding processes and how we might improve them. The result of those discussions was the establishment of a new funding stream called Engagement Funding. This new path for giving will allow us to identify and cultivate a broader range of programmatic options that might not fit into RFPs we could have open at any one time. Engagement dollars can be used to establish or expand pilot projects, address emerging needs, leverage funding or resources from other sources, and act as a catalyst to effect change more broadly. Ultimately, what we learn from our Engagement grants will help fuel the development of future RFPs.

**Where will we go from here?** We believe that continuing our investment in strengthening and expanding the system of community health centers throughout the state is a worthy endeavor that will reap big rewards for Illinois children. Over the next few years we will more deeply explore unique

methods of delivering care including the use of telemedicine and mobile health, work to increase the number of specific health professionals caring for children in designated shortage areas of the state, and help primary care practices become more comprehensive in their approach to providing care. And, where appropriate, we will support those organizations whose policy work will more broadly impact the health of Illinois children.

While we feel good about the focus we've adopted for our grantmaking, we recognize that we must be nimble in the way we work. We must be open to new ideas and prepared to adjust our approach and timing to address emerging issues and new roles for us to play.

My thanks go out to an extremely dedicated and hardworking Board of Directors that continued to provide inspired leadership to the Foundation in 2005. Also during the year, Anna Laubach joined our staff as our new Senior Program Officer. Though small, the Foundation staff is top-notch and deserves an equal measure of thanks. The list of others we must also thank for their guidance, feedback and eagerness to assist us in our work grows with each passing day. It is their enthusiasm—and that of everyone associated with our Foundation—that makes what I do each day a real joy.

Very truly yours,



Susan B. Kerr  
President

Statements of financial position

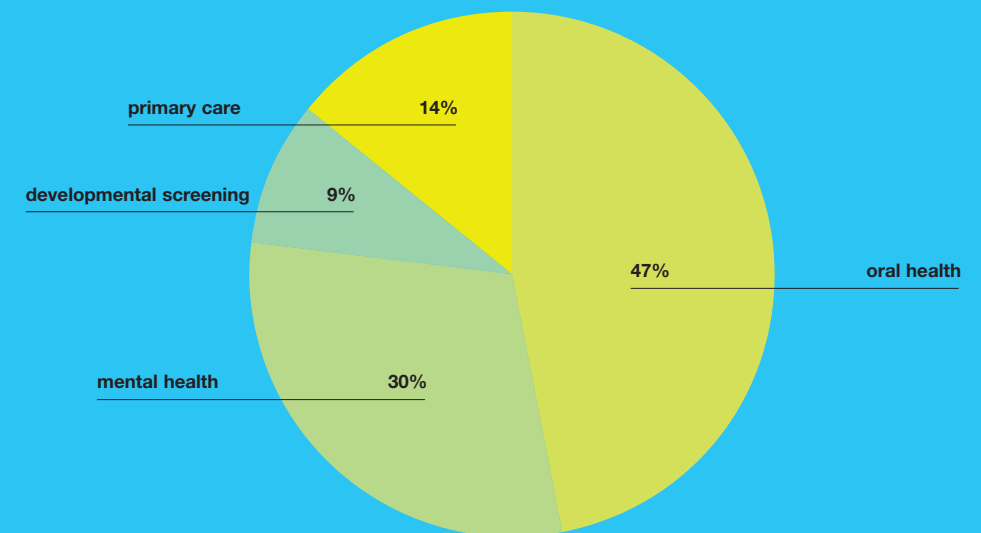
	December 31, 2005	2004
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 608,762	\$ 483,878
Accounts receivable	910	1,774
Interest and dividends receivable	247,745	225,805
Prepaid expense and deposits	1,099	3,099
Investments, at fair value	128,764,075	128,259,495
Investments under deferred compensation	22,878	—
Property and equipment, net	39,163	35,184
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$129,684,632</b>	<b>\$129,009,235</b>
<b>Liabilities and net assets</b>		
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 19,540	\$ 7,347
Grants payable	259,176	668,716
Deferred compensation	22,878	—
Due to broker	—	85,983
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>301,594</b>	<b>762,046</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		
Unrestricted	129,383,038	128,247,189
<b>Total liabilities and net assets</b>	<b>\$129,684,632</b>	<b>\$129,009,235</b>

Statements of activities

	Years ended December 31, 2005	2004
<b>Revenues</b>		
Investment income	\$ 7,468,569	\$ 9,401,338
Contributions	1,938	2,906
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>\$ 7,470,507</b>	<b>\$ 9,404,244</b>
<b>Grants and expenses</b>		
Grants/contributions	\$ 5,562,925	\$ 5,881,767
Salaries and benefits	347,942	257,525
Outside professionals	277,952	135,657
Administrative and general	70,674	58,301
Occupancy	33,876	19,294
Income taxes	41,289	18,588
<b>Total grants and expenses</b>	<b>\$ 6,334,658</b>	<b>\$ 6,371,132</b>
<b>Change in net assets</b>	<b>\$ 1,135,849</b>	<b>\$ 3,033,112</b>
<b>Unrestricted net assets, beginning of year</b>	<b>128,247,189</b>	<b>125,214,077</b>
<b>Unrestricted net assets, end of year</b>	<b>\$129,383,038</b>	<b>\$128,247,189</b>

our grants

In 2005, grants totaling \$5.5 million supported 41 initiatives that are working towards strengthening the healthcare safety net system throughout Illinois.



## 2005 Grantees

### **Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital/Healthy Communities Partnership**

[Lincoln IL](#)

\$150,000 to complete the purchase of a replacement mobile unit that will provide dental/general medical services to children throughout Logan County

### **Action for Children**

[Chicago IL](#)

\$131,124 to continue a program that provides child care centers/professionals with assistance, training, and parent education related to the social-emotional, developmental and behavioral needs of children throughout Cook County

### **Advocate Charitable Foundation**

[Park Ridge IL](#)

\$100,000 for the continued expansion of the Enhancing Developmentally Oriented Primary Care (EDOPC) program that provides technical assistance, training and parent education to primary care practices throughout Illinois on the use of developmental and other screening tools for children

### **Alivio Medical Center**

[Chicago IL](#)

\$50,000 to conduct a planning process designed to determine the best approaches to delivering health services to children in two Chicago elementary schools

### **Aunt Martha's Youth Service Center**

[Chicago Heights IL](#)

\$32,684 for the cost of conducting a needs assessment process required for the establishment of a school health center in a Calumet City high school

### **Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago**

[Chicago IL](#)

\$58,000 for the expansion of mental health services provided to children in two Chicago elementary schools

### **CCRC Community Link**

[Breese IL](#)

\$78,900 to assist with the implementation of initiatives designed to promote the social/emotional health of young children in Clinton and Washington Counties

### **Central Illinois Dental Education and Services, NFP**

[Urbana IL](#)

\$135,000 to assist with the opening of a dental clinic in Rantoul, IL, that would serve children in Early Head Start/Head Start programs in Champaign County

### **Champaign-Urbana Public Health District**

[Urbana IL](#)

\$91,392 for the expansion of mental/behavioral health and oral health services provided to Urbana school district students through a school-based health center in Urbana High School

### **Chicago Family Health Center Inc.**

[Chicago IL](#)

\$100,000 for a portion of the equipment and staffing costs required to provide oral health services in their Roseland clinic

### **Children's Hospital of Illinois**

[Peoria IL](#)

\$400,000 to further expand a pilot project begun in 2004 that would work with primary care providers to create a comprehensive system of screening, treatment and follow-up for Central Illinois children diagnosed with depression disorders

### **Children's Memorial Hospital**

[Chicago IL](#)

\$225,000 to continue the implementation of a two-year pilot program serving the mental/behavioral health needs of children in two Chicago public schools

### **Circle Family Care**

[Chicago IL](#)

\$260,529 for a portion of the costs required to open a new school-based health center in the East Garfield Park neighborhood of Chicago

### **Crusaders Central Clinic Association**

[Rockford IL](#)

\$90,000 for the purchase of additional dental equipment for use in their new clinic serving children from throughout Boone County

### **DuPage County Health Department**

[Wheaton IL](#)

\$350,000 for the purchase of a mobile dental unit that would serve the oral health needs of preschool and school-age children throughout DuPage County

### **Family Christian Health Center**

[Harvey IL](#)

\$150,000 for a portion of the equipment costs required to expand their clinic to provide ongoing, comprehensive dental services to children

### **Family Health Partnership Clinic**

[Woodstock IL](#)

\$83,992 for a portion of the staffing costs required to expand their services to include dedicated pediatric clinics

### **Heartland Health Outreach**

[Chicago IL](#)

\$250,000 to add a three-chair dental suite to a school-based health center located in the Nicholas Senn High School in Chicago's Edgewater community

### **Hope School**

[Springfield IL](#)

\$100,000 to assist in the expansion of a comprehensive plan to create a network for the identification and care of children suffering from developmental disabilities and/or autism spectrum disorders, and to hold a statewide conference on the program's progress

### **Illinois Rural Health Association**

[Springfield IL](#)

\$10,000 to conduct a series of regional forums throughout rural Illinois to discuss access issues related to mental health services and to develop a culminating report for distribution to stakeholders

### **La Rabida Children's Hospital**

[Chicago IL](#)

\$70,000 to support the continued execution of the Premier Kids Program that extends follow-up care to high-risk infants born in several area hospitals who have or are at risk of poor health and developmental outcomes

### **La Rabida Children's Hospital**

[Chicago IL](#)

\$240,000 for a portion of the costs required for staff from La Rabida's Children's Advocacy Center to provide intensive training to three domestic violence programs on the identification and referral of children suffering the effects of trauma related to witnessing domestic violence

### **Lawndale Christian Health Center**

[Chicago IL](#)

\$100,000 for a portion of the costs required to expand the school-based health center located in Farragut Career Academy that serves the North/South Lawndale communities

### **Macoupin County Public Health Department**

[Carlinville IL](#)

\$100,000 to expand the oral health services provided to students in three school districts through a school-linked health center, and to further explore ways to address their mental/behavioral health needs

### **Mercer County Health Department**

[Aledo IL](#)

\$50,120 for a portion of the staffing, equipment and supplies required to expand the oral health services provided through their Toothmobile dental outreach program

### **Milestone Inc.**

[Rockford IL](#)

\$259,860 to provide a portion of the costs required to operate their recently-expanded pediatric dental clinic that serves the oral health needs of developmentally-disabled children

### **Ounce of Prevention Fund**

[Chicago IL](#)

\$125,000 to strengthen and expand efforts designed to promote social/emotional development in young children through the education of stakeholders and the re-allocation of resources in government-funded programs

**Roseland Christian Health Ministries**

*Chicago IL*

\$140,000 for a portion of the staffing and indirect costs required to provide dedicated pediatric health services to Calumet City children through their Christian Community Health Center

**Rush University Medical Center**

*Chicago IL*

\$50,000 for a portion of the costs required to operate the Mother's Milk Club, a program designed to increase the number of low birthweight babies who receive their mother's milk

**School Health Link, Inc.**

*Silvis IL*

\$51,470 to increase the level of mental/behavioral health services offered to students through a school health program covering Rock Island County

**Shawnee Health Service and Development Corporation**

*Carterville IL*

\$205,550 for a portion of the staffing, equipment and indirect costs required to expand the oral health services provided to high school students through two existing school-based health centers

**Southern Illinois Healthcare**

*Carbondale IL*

\$44,984 to conduct a planning process for new school health centers in the Herrin Community Unit School District #44 and the Murphysboro Community Unit School District #186

**Southern Illinois Regional Wellness Center**

*East St. Louis IL*

\$127,480 for a portion of the staffing, equipment and construction costs required to expand the oral health services provided to children attending the Christian Activity Center, a community center located at the Gompers Home public housing development in East St. Louis

**Southern Illinois University, School of Allied Health**

*Carbondale IL*

\$200,000 to assist with the continued expansion of oral health services offered to rural children through their University clinic, and for the development of a model of delivering oral health care to developmentally-disabled children

**Southern Illinois University, School of Dental Medicine**

*Alton IL*

\$88,200 for the costs associated with establishing a specialized dental services clinic within their new clinical facility

**Southern Illinois University, School of Medicine, Department of Family & Community Medicine**

*Carbondale IL*

\$50,000 for the construction of a garage to house the Care-A-Van, a new mobile medical unit serving as a school-based health center for students attending Benton and West Frankfort high schools in Franklin County

**University of Illinois at Chicago, Neighborhoods Initiative**

*Chicago IL*

\$240,000 for the staffing and operating costs required to expand the mental/behavioral health provided through two school-based health centers serving three Chicago schools in the Near South community

**University of Illinois Medical Center at Chicago**

*Chicago IL*

\$350,000 for the equipment and construction required to add three dental suites to an existing clinic, additional staffing, and the development of a community outreach program serving the oral health needs of children living in the South Shore community

**Well Child Center**

*Elgin IL*

\$20,000 for dental equipment required to add a third pediatric dental suite to their clinic

**Will-Grundy Medical Clinic, Inc.**

*Joliet IL*

\$60,267 for the staffing and equipment required to increase the oral health services provided to children through their free clinic

**Winnebago County Health Department**

*Rockford IL*

\$125,000 for the staff and outside professionals required to expand the mental/behavioral health services provided to students from six schools and the Rockford Head Start program through a school-linked health center



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