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Health Foundation Funds \$2.2 Million in Grants in 2008

Louisville, KY — The Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky awarded 61 grants totaling \$2.2 million in 2008 to community organizations, schools, government agencies and institutions throughout Kentucky to support programs and policy development in the areas of health improvement and health care access. Highlights include:

- Seven Kentucky communities received grants under the Foundation's new **Local Data for Local Action** Initiative, to assess health resources and needs of their community and plan for "one big change" to improve their community's health. Grantees received funding for a first planning year or for start-up of the program, as well as technical assistance in conduct of community surveys, consensus-building, and developing a business plan and financial pro forma.
- In support of Local Data for Local Action, the Foundation funded a program officer at the State Data Center and launched the **www.kyhealthfacts.org** website to provide county-by-county health data. An agreement with the Kentucky Department for Public Health will provide health behavior survey data to the website in future years.
- Nine organizations received general operating support for **Health Advocacy** in a five-year effort to strengthen and improve the sustainability of the voices of advocates working to improve the health of Kentuckians. Grantees also received training and technical assistance from Community Catalyst, Herndon Alliance, the Public Policy Institute and others.
- Four Community Foundations serving regions of Kentucky received **Challenge Grants** to match local funding for health-related projects in the communities they serve.
- Eight **Community Grants** were provided to non-profit organizations to develop or enhance projects aimed at better policies in the areas of health education, health promotion and increased access to health care.
- The 3rd Annual Howard L. Bost Memorial **Health Policy Forum** provided a forum for policy makers and national and state leaders in health to engage Kentucky civic leaders in making changes to the healthcare system that the 60+ Commonwealth Common Health convenings showed Kentuckians want, in order to have a high-performing health system that really works.

See attached for a complete listing of the 2008 grant awards.

The Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky was established in May, 2001 to address the unmet health care needs of Kentucky by developing and influencing health policy, improving access to care, reducing health risks and disparities and promoting health equity.

Health Advocacy Grants

Grantees:

The Center for Rural Development (\$50,000)
Somerset

Kentucky Council of Churches (\$50,000)
Lexington

Kentucky Child Now! (\$50,000) Frankfort

Kentucky Equal Justice Center (\$50,000)
Lexington

Kentucky Equal Justice Center (\$86,983)
Lexington and **Kentucky Psychological
Association Foundation** (\$163,017) for support of
Kentucky Voices for Health

Kentucky Pediatric Society Foundation
(\$21,500) Frankfort

Kentucky Youth Advocates (\$50,000) Louisville

NAMI Kentucky (\$50,000) for the **Advocacy
Action Network**, Louisville

Purchase AHEC (\$50,000) for West Kentucky
Children's Health Coalition, Murray

**University of Kentucky Tobacco Policy
Research Program/Kentucky Center for Smoke
Free Policy** (\$50,000) Lexington

Technical Assistance:

Herndon Alliance (\$11,000) Seattle, WA –
Communication Workshop on Health care

Community Catalyst (\$42,000) Boston, MA –
Technical Assistance for Advocacy Initiative

Management Consulting Services (\$6,250.00)
Boston, MA – *Strategic Technology Training*

Community Grants

Saint Claire Regional Medical Center (\$4,016)
Morehead

Kentucky Department for Public Health (\$4,943)
Frankfort

The Healing Place (\$5,000) Louisville

**Hardin County District Cooperative Extension -
4H** (\$3,200) Elizabethtown

Kentucky River Community Care, Inc. (\$5,000)
Jackson

Kentucky Refugee Ministries (\$5,000) Louisville

Neighborhood House, Inc. (\$4,517) Louisville

Ashland-Boyd County Health Department
(\$5,000) Ashland

Challenge Grants

Blue Grass Community Foundation (\$21,030)
Lexington

**The Community Foundation of Owensboro-
Daviness County** (\$30,000) Owensboro

Hazard-Perry County Community Foundation
(\$15,000) Hazard

Tri-State Community, Inc. (\$14,985) Ashland

Coordinated School Health

Ballard County Schools (\$1,000) Barlow

Bardstown City Schools (\$1,000) Bardstown

Bourbon County Schools (\$1,000) Paris

Butler County School District (\$1,000)
Morgantown

Corbin Independent School District (\$1,000)
Corbin

Cumberland County School District (\$1,000)
Burkesville

Grant County School System (\$1,000)
Williamstown

Henry County Public School System (\$1,000)
New Castle

Lyon County Schools (\$1,000) Eddyville

Owsley County School District (\$1,000)
Booneville

Paducah Independent School District (\$1,000)
Paducah

Russell Independent School System (\$1,000)

Washington County Schools (\$1,000) Springfield

Woodford County Board of Education (\$1,000)
Versailles

Kentucky Youth Advocates (\$120,000) Louisville
– *School Health Services Survey*

University of Kentucky Research Foundation
(\$83,723) Lexington – *Coordinated School Health
2008-2009 Evaluation Grant*

Local Data for Local Action

Grants:

Barren River District Health Department
(\$50,000) Bowling Green – *Making it Happen
Together - Community Health Planning in the Barren
River District*

Magoffin County Health Department (\$217,987)
Salyersville – *School-Based Health Services
(Implementation)*

**Northern Kentucky Independent District Health
Department** (\$35,000) Edgewood –
Northern Kentucky Health Plan 2015

Ohio County Together We Care (\$40,000) Beaver
Dam – *Operation Health Ohio County*

**Purchase AHEC for West Kentucky Children's
Health Coalition** (\$40,000) Murray – *The Ballard
County Local Data for Local Action Project*

Three Rivers District Health Department
(\$43,080) Owenton – *Assessment for Carroll,
Gallatin, Owen, and Pendleton Counties*

Todd County Board of Education (\$39,996.15)
Elkton – *Improve Health Care in Todd County*

University of Cincinnati (\$34,000)
Health Issues Poll

**University of Louisville Foundation/State Data
Center** (\$85,000) Louisville – *Local Data for Local
Action Program Officer*

Technical Assistance:

NACCHO (\$6,500) Washington, DC – *Community
Assessment Training*

Prevention Institute (\$11,540) Oakland, CA –
Community Assessment Training

Heartland Center for Leadership Development
(\$8,000) Lincoln, NE – *Training on Consensus
Building*

Integrated Mental Health and Medical Services

Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital (\$221,206)
Ashland – *Northeast Kentucky Coalition for Access
to Healthcare*

Kentucky Primary Care Association (\$5,000)
Frankfort – *Conference on Integrated Care*

University of Massachusetts Medical School
(\$8,400) – *Grantee Certificate Program Training*

Primary Care

Fairview Community Health Center (\$31,000)
Bowling Green – *Butler County Satellite Clinic*

Kentucky Primary Care Association (\$90,000)
Frankfort – *Technical Assistance to communities
developing primary care services*

Matching Grants

**The Clean Air Partnership at the University of
Kentucky College of Nursing** (\$16,500) Lexington
– *Northern Kentucky Clean Indoor Air Collaborative
for Healthy Communities*

Evaluation

Center for Community Health and Evaluation
(\$213,000) Seattle, WA – *Technical Assistance to
Foundation and grantees*