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Tri-City Healthcare District Grants \$300,000 to Local Non-profits

OCEANSIDE – *North County Health Services, YMCA Oz North Coast, the Community Resource Center and Mama’s Kitchen* are among 21 North County non-profits that will be presented a total of \$300,000 in grant awards at the June 25th meeting of the Tri-City Healthcare District Board of Directors.

Each year, funds are allocated by the Tri-City Healthcare District Board of Directors to be used in a competitive grant process for non-profit agencies that provide needed health programs for residents of Carlsbad, Vista and Oceanside. This year, 34 grant applications totaling \$818,800 were received and evaluated by the Board’s Mission and Community Outreach Committee. Grants were awarded in two categories: individual organizations, totaling \$190,000 and collaborative programs, each with at least three partner organizations, totaling \$110,000. The Board approved the volunteer committee’s recommendations at its May 27th meeting.

The funded projects will provide a wide range of human services to organizations throughout the Tri-City Healthcare District. As a result of the grant it received, *Mama’s Kitchen* will once again be home-delivering meals to North County residents with severe chronic illnesses such as cancer, AIDS, and heart disease. *Meals With Love* will be delivering meals to senior citizens and the

disabled. The *Trauma Intervention Program (TIP)* will provide empathetic care and support in the hours immediately after a traumatic event such as an unexpected death of a family member.

“We received many extraordinary proposals,” said Board Chairperson RoseMarie Reno, “and we are pleased and proud to know that so much good will be done as a result of these grants.”

Among the other projects receiving funding were:

- *Camp Fire USA and TERI*, a program for children and adults with autism and other disabilities
- Programs at Vista and Oceanside *Boys and Girls Clubs*
- Nursing care at *Casa de Amparo’s* shelter for abused and neglected children
- A Spanish-language diabetes education program at Tri-City Medical Center by *Taking Care of Your Diabetes*
- Crisis intervention and case management for high-risk youth by *Interfaith Community Services*
- Mental health services by Carlsbad’s *North County Lifeline*
- A collaborative program that links Tri-City Medical Center’s Emergency Department to resource access provided by *Vista Community Clinic* and *North County Health Services*

“These grants are part of our mission to help and serve the community,” said Chairperson Reno. “Our goal is to provide not only medical care, but health care—caring for and about the physical and mental health of all Tri-City residents.”

During the past 14 years, the District Board has approved a total of \$2,828,435 in community grant awards, including \$300,000 annually for the past five years.

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