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19 Local Non-Profits Benefit from $300,000 In Community Grants from Tri-City Healthcare District

14 of the 19 programs receiving Community Health Alliance Committee grants include a mental health component to benefit local residents in need

OCEANSIDE, Calif. – The Tri-City Healthcare District has long been committed to improving the health and wellbeing of those in the community, and this year is no exception. On June 30, 19 local non-profit organizations received a collective $300,000 through the Tri-City Healthcare District's annual community

grants program. Notable for 2016 is that over half of the recipient's programs had a mental health program focus.

Each year, the healthcare district's Board of Directors allocates funds for healthcare projects run by non-profit agencies located in or serving the citizens of Carlsbad, Oceanside, and Vista. This year, 34 organizations applied for funding for programs that address the healthcare district's priority issues: access to healthcare, health conditions related to lifestyle and mental health.

"Improving access to quality care for mental health is a high priority to the Tri-City Healthcare District and the communities we serve. We were very pleased with the caliber of programs our nonprofit partners brought forward in their applications and look forward to seeing the impact these funds have," said Julie Nygaard, Tri-City Healthcare District board member and chair of its Community Healthcare Alliance Committee which awards the annual grants. "It's more important than ever that people in need of mental health services or grief counseling, cancer support or healthy lifestyle assistance have access to that help. We are extremely proud to support such programs in our community."

The following 19 non-profits were selected for funding with grants ranging from $5,000 to $34,000:

Boys & Girls Club Vista

Casa de Amparo
Community Resource Center
Fraternity House, Inc.
Interfaith Community Services
KOCT Oceanside Community TV Corp.
Mama's Kitchen
Miracle Babies
NAMI – National Alliance on Mental Illness
North County Health Services
North County LGBTQ Resource Center
North County Lifeline
Operation HOPE
Pacific Cancer Fitness
Palomar Family Counseling Services, Inc.
The Brother Benno Foundation
The Elizabeth Hospice Foundation
Vista Community Clinic
Women's Resource Center

For more on the Community Healthcare Alliance Committee (CHAC), visit www.tricitymed.org/about-us/community-grants.

About Tri City Medical Center

Tri-City Medical Center has served its community for over 50 years and is a 397 bed full service, acute-care hospital in Oceanside, Calif. with a primary care clinic and over 700 physicians practicing in 60 specialties. Its Gold Seal of Approval® from the Joint Commission recognizes its commitment to safe and effective patient care for the residents of the community it serves. It operates the only Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) in North County as well as an Orthopedic & Spine Institute, a Cardiovascular Health Institute and a Neuroscience Institute along with the Tri-City Wellness Center in Carlsbad, Calif., recognized as one of the best wellness centers in San Diego County. It also specializes in women's health, robotic surgery, cancer and emergency care. Tri-City Medical Center has received its sixth consecutive "A" rating from the national hospital safety scoring organization, The Leapfrog Group.

For more information about Tri-City Medical Center and Tri-City Healthcare District, please visit www.tricitymed.org.

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