



SIERRA HEALTH FOUNDATION
An Endowment for Northern California

Sierra Health Foundation is a private philanthropy investing in and serving as a catalyst for ideas, partnerships and programs that improve health and quality of life in Northern California through convening, educating and strategic grantmaking.

Current Programs

Responsive Grants Program

The Responsive Grants Program was launched in 2008 with a goal to promote health and well-being in communities throughout Sierra Health Foundation's 26-county funding region. In 2008, we awarded \$1.2 million for 31 projects serving 23 counties, with 35 percent awarded for projects serving rural areas of our funding region. In response to the economic downturn and resulting demand for basic human needs, in 2009 we committed \$1 million for emergency safety-net services, with grants up to \$25,000 supporting basic needs, such as food, clothing and shelter.

Of the \$1 million available in 2010 to support projects and programs that promote health and quality of life, at least 30 percent once again will be available for projects serving rural areas of Sierra Health Foundation's funding region.

REACH Youth Program



REACH supports the healthy development of youth for their successful transition to adulthood. Through REACH, we're committed to helping California Capital Region youth succeed by increasing participation in quality programs and activities, providing opportunities for youth to develop leadership and decision-making skills, and helping communities take positive action for youth.

Since REACH funding began in 2006 with an \$8 million commitment, we have supported nine youth-adult coalitions through **Community Action** grants. From 2006 to 2008, we awarded 65 **Program Improvement** grants, and since 2005 we have partnered with the **Sacramento Region Community Foundation** to support the **Grants Advisory Board for Youth** and youth-led community service projects.

Nonprofit Innovation Center

This multitenant office and conference space for nonprofit organizations was created with an open-space design to promote learning, collaboration and resource sharing among tenants. Sierra Health Foundation's vision for the NIC is to help area nonprofits become more effective, so they can better support efforts to improve the health and well-being of residents in our communities.

Conference and Convening Program

Located along the banks of the Sacramento River, our conference center provides in-kind meeting space for education and training, nonpartisan debate, policymaking and collaboration. Nonprofit organizations whose vision and goals are compatible with Sierra Health Foundation's are encouraged to apply for use of the facility.

Health Leadership Program

This six-month leadership development course is designed to turn good health and human service managers into great leaders through intense classroom sessions, team action-learning projects and peer-to-peer exchange.

Grizzly Creek Ranch Camp and Conference Center



Located in Plumas County, Grizzly Creek Ranch operates mainly as a camp for children and youth with a focus on environmental education. The camp's mission is to improve the health, independence and life skills of children. Visit www.grizzlycreekranch.org.

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