



**SIERRA HEALTH
FOUNDATION**

2019 RESPONSIVE GRANTS PROGRAM AWARDS

Ampla Health

Urban and Rural: Sutter, Yuba, Butte and Glenn Counties

\$15,000 – Health/Access to Care

To improve health outcomes of patients by augmenting scheduling staff for registered dietitians to increase the number of patients, especially those in rural areas, who are able to receive Medical Nutrition Therapy in person and through telehealth technology.

Be Smooth Inc.

Urban and Rural: San Joaquin County

\$15,000 – Health/Access to Care

To improve education and mental health outcomes, and overall well-being for African-American youth in San Joaquin County by establishing a coalition, in response to community input, with partner organizations, educators, parents and students that will focus on deepening understanding of issues and building collective power to advocate for systems change.

Butte County Office of Education

Urban and Rural: Butte County

\$15,000 – Health/Access to Care

To increase student engagement and decrease rates of suspension and chronic absence from school in Butte County through training of teaching artists by the Trauma Responsive Artist Residencies program to provide trauma-responsive arts experiences for students in schools with high populations of children displaced by the Camp Fire.

Calaveras Works and Human Services Agency

Rural: Calaveras County

\$15,000 – Health/Health Promotion

To build the internal capacity of the Calaveras County Public Health Division and Agency staff to advance health equity through training opportunities and technical assistance.

California Black Health Network

Urban: San Joaquin County

\$15,000 – Health/Health Promotion

To improve health outcomes of the African-American community in Stockton by creating a Black Health Agenda collaborative in the city made up of organizations and individuals interested in advancing a community-driven vision of health and wellness supported by training in policy advocacy and the community impact model, community organizing and ongoing technical assistance.

California Heritage Indigenous Research Project

Rural: Nevada, Sierra and Yuba Counties

\$15,000 – Basic Needs/Safety Net

To stabilize and restore the Nevada City Rancheria Nisenan Tribe's well-being and end generations of injustice by developing and leading an advocacy campaign to have federal recognition restored by Congress, which will return the Tribe's autonomy and sovereignty, give back reservation lands, and allow Tribal members access to federal Indian programs, such as economic and clean energy development, health care, education and housing.

California Vocations, Inc.

Urban and Rural: Tehama, Butte and Glenn Counties

\$15,000 – Basic Needs/Safety Net

To improve and sustain the health and quality of life for adults with developmental disabilities who lost their homes, programs and all support equipment in the Camp Fire by replacing client iPads, communication/interactive software and physical/visual stimuli equipment, as well as a portion of adapted communication systems and physical stimuli equipment lost in the fire.

Food Literacy Center

Urban: Sacramento County

\$15,000 – Health/Access to Healthy Food

To improve the health of the 330 elementary students attending Leataata Floyd Elementary and their families, as well as school culture, by creating a task force of school staff, parents and community experts trained as health advocates, and gathering community input about barriers to healthy eating, food access and health equity that will inform health advocacy programs at the future Broccoli HQ cooking school on the elementary campus.

Glenn County Office of Education

Rural: Glenn County

\$10,000 – Health/Access to Healthy Food

So improve the health and well-being of older adults in Glenn County by purchasing high-quality food to provide 5,000 meals in congregate and in-home settings through Glenn County Senior Nutrition.

Greater Hayfork Valley Park and Recreation District

Rural: Trinity County

\$15,000 – Health/Health Promotion

To improve health and quality of life of people living in Hayfork, including the growing Hmong community, through the Healthy Hayfork - Be Cool at the Pool program providing no-cost swimming lessons and drowning prevention, youth lifeguard training, injury prevention/recreation therapy for older adults and disabled residents, and physical fitness opportunities for emergency response personnel.

Health Access Foundation

Urban and Rural: 26-County Funding Region County

\$10,214 – Health/Access to Care

To protect and expand safety-net services and health care in key counties in Northern California, particularly the Path2Health program from the County Medical Services Program (CMSP), and in counties such as Yolo, Placer, Sacramento, Stanislaus, San Joaquin and others, through policy development, coalition organizing and statewide and local advocacy.

Hmong Youth And Parents United

Urban: Sacramento County

\$15,000 – Health/Health Promotion

To promote physical and mental health in the Sacramento Hmong community by providing health education and resources to community members on proper health management and preventive care, and to collect data and assess the health needs of the Hmong community.

Immigrant Legal Resource Center

Urban and Rural: San Joaquin and Stanislaus Counties

\$15,000 – Health/Access to Care

To assist the immigrant communities in San Joaquin and Stanislaus counties to access benefits for which they are eligible and that are vital to their health and well-being by sharing accurate information regarding benefits directly with the immigrant community, service providers and others who work closely with the immigrant community.

Lassen Family Services, Inc.

Rural: Lassen County

\$15,000 – Community Safety/Domestic Violence

To ensure the safety and well-being of domestic violence and sexual assault victims by moving the Safe House Shelter to a new location with a lease security deposit, moving expenses and security enhancements at the new location, providing a safe place to stay, other supports, and permanent housing assistance.

Latino Outreach of Tehama County, Inc.

Rural: Tehama County

\$10,000 – Basic Needs/Safety Net

To connect members of the Latino community and other marginalized populations living in Tehama County to needed services within the local community through outreach at community events and through established networks.

Muslimas United

Urban and Rural: Sacramento and Yolo Counties

\$14,340 – Economic Development/Employment/Workforce Development

To help Muslim women who have traditionally stayed at home with their children develop visions, dreams and goals for themselves and learn how to navigate the adult education and employment systems to fulfill their goals and set an example for their children of how to be happy, productive, well-rounded members of society.

My Sister's House

Urban: Sacramento and Yolo Counties

\$15,000 – Community Safety/Domestic Violence

To enhance the ability of domestic violence survivors to rebuild their lives by assisting them economically and physically through development of a thrift shop social enterprise.

Northern Mono County Hospice

Rural: Mono County

\$12,536 – Health/Access to Care

To provide volunteer-based end-of-life care and services to individuals and their families residing in unincorporated communities of Topaz, Coleville, Walker, Bridgeport and Lee Vining in rural northern Mono County, including respite, physical, psychological, practical, referral and spiritual support, bereavement support groups, education about final arrangement options and interfacing with the Sheriff's Department and coroner.

Nurse Family Partnership

Urban and Rural: Shasta County

\$15,000 – Health/Access to Care

To improve the health and lives of first-time moms and their children in Shasta County through an evidence-based community health program that improves the lives of vulnerable mothers, children and families by giving mothers the tools to be advocates for themselves and champions for their children, thus, interrupting intergenerational cycles of health disparities and poverty.

Planned Parenthood Mar Monte Inc.

Urban and Rural: San Joaquin and Stanislaus Counties

\$14,995 – Health/Health Promotion

To increase access, through the LGBT Inclusivity Project, to reproductive and sexual health services and education for LGBTQ youth ages 12 to 24 in Stanislaus and San Joaquin counties regarding their role in safer sexual and reproductive health, and directly link them to preventive services available in their communities .

Plumas County Gay Straight Alliance (Plumas Crisis Intervention & Resource Center)

Rural: Plumas County

\$15,000 – Health/Mental Health/Substance Abuse

To prevent trauma created by stigma and discrimination against LGBTQ individuals, and build confidence and self-worth of LGBTQ youth, by establishing, with youth involvement, a community group for LGBTQ members and their allies in Plumas County resulting in a network of support and safe spaces.

Race and Gender Equity Project

Urban: Sacramento County

\$15,000 – Positive Youth Development/Youth Leadership

To highlight strategies Sacramento’s youth leaders are using to address various social determinants of health, including education, electoral organizing, human trafficking and police violence by conducting a youth participatory action research (YPAR) project that collects and curates the lived experiences of local youth leaders of color, and documents their journeys as agents of change, resulting in a mini documentary and report highlighting research findings.

Rural Innovations in Social Economics, Inc.

Rural: Yolo County

\$15,000 – Health/Mental health/Substance Abuse

To expand and improve access to behavioral health and supportive services for low-income, uninsured/underinsured students, LGBTQ youth, adolescents struggling with substance use and other adults and families residing in the rural communities of Esparto, Winters, Knights Landing and Clarksburg in Yolo County, through expanded service hours, which includes the provision of online counseling services and improved coordination of services with community partners.

Santa Cruz Barrios Unidos, Inc.

Urban and Rural: Sacramento, San Joaquin and Lassen Counties

\$15,000 – Community Safety/Adult and Youth Re-entry

To support successful reintegration into community through the Prison Project Reentry program that uses trauma-informed, and culturally and spiritually informed approaches to improve personal and community well-being within incarcerated spaces and educates the prison population about self-sustaining, peace building, healing strategies within their environment.

Save California Salmon (Trees Foundation)

Rural: Sacramento, San Joaquin, Shasta, Siskiyou, Trinity, Yolo, Colusa and Modoc Counties
\$15,000 – Environmental Justice/Water Quality

To advocate for and support salmon-dependent tribal communities in California water policy decisions, connect rural and urban water campaigns, and break down the fish versus people narrative that is prevalent in the California water debate, through the California Salmon People and Tribal Water Organizers project's Youth and Water Justice Camp in Siskiyou County, and other youth-focused trainings, organizing and travel related to Northern California water issues.

Self Awareness and Recovery

Rural: Yolo County

\$15,000 – Community Safety/Violence Prevention

To improve health outcomes for at-risk and incarcerated youth in Yolo County through workshops, which include the development of self-expression and social-emotional health, facilitation of healing circles, and building awareness and understanding of and empowerment to join civic engagement opportunities.

Self-Help Enterprises

Rural: Stanislaus County

\$8,700 – Basic Needs/Safety Net

To improve the quality of life of the 187 Latino residents living at the Rolling Hills low-income property in Newman by providing equitable Internet access and usability by installing outdoor WiFi routers on each building throughout the property thereby removing all barriers, physical and social, for complete access to WiFi by residents and community members, and various community partners and stakeholders.

Siskiyou Community Food Bank

Rural: Siskiyou County

\$14,818 – Health/Access to Healthy Food

To provide healthy breakfasts during the summer break from school to children and youth 18 years of age and younger living in the communities of Yreka, Montague and Grenada, who participate in the school breakfast program during the school year.

Stand Up Placer, Inc.

Urban and Rural: Placer County

\$15,000 – Community Safety/Domestic Violence

To enable victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking who are facing homelessness to stabilize their housing situations with one-time/short-term assistance by providing case management and financial assistance to victims, enabling them to remain in their homes or to secure new, safe housing.

Stonewall Alliance of Chico

Urban and Rural: Tehama, Butte, Colusa and Glenn Counties

\$15,000 – Health/Mental Health/Substance Abuse

To increase the capacity of the Butte County LGBTQI2S+ community to competently respond to heightened levels of trauma experienced in the wake of the Camp Fire through no-cost and low-cost counseling, increased one-on-one advising with the interns, increase the number of people served, and provide specialized trauma training for all staff.

Teachers for Healthy Kids

Urban: Sacramento County

\$14,400 – Health/Health Promotion

To support students and their families, in partnership with the San Juan Unified School District, through innovative use of district-accessible Medi-Cal enrollment data-matching to identify eligible students and support them with enrollment and coverage retention, connect to parents and the community surrounding the targeted school sites through health education workshops and coordinate these efforts with an ongoing food distribution program.

The Sierra Fund

Rural: Nevada County

\$14,997 – Environmental Justice/Air Quality

To promote social and health equity and address public health and environmental justice at the nexus of wildfire in rural Nevada County by identifying wildfire-related resources and connecting vulnerable populations, including low-income, socially-isolated, and Spanish-speaking residents, to these resources in order to prevent loss of life and property, facilitate emergency planning, and mitigate air quality impacts on health.

What Would Jesus Do Ministries Inc.

Urban: Stanislaus County

\$15,000 – Health/Quality

To restore hope and dignity to those in need and improve health and quality of life for the working poor and homeless living in Modesto through the Cleansing Hope Shower Shuttle that provides more than 100 mobile hot showers, underwear, socks, and hygiene kits a day at seven locations each week and offers a community to those most underserved.

Yes 2 Kollege Educational Resources, Inc.

Urban: Sacramento County

\$15,000 – Economic Development/Employment/Workforce Development

To promote skills to stay in school, plan for future careers and college attendance for African-American middle, high school, and college students in Sacramento County interested in becoming doctors or allied health professionals, through the Minority Health Professions Mentor Program, which provides workshops, conferences, summer job shadows, and college tours and the opportunity to develop valuable mentor relationships with more than 85 local African American health professionals and 250 medical and nursing school students of color.

Yolo Community Care Continuum

Urban and Rural: Yolo County

\$15,000 – Sustainable Communities/Housing

To reduce barriers to finding and retaining housing for people with mental illness in Yolo County by providing permanent housing, wraparound care and support services to individuals who suffer from mental illnesses.

Youth Forward

Urban: Sacramento County

\$15,000 – Positive Youth Development/Youth Leadership

To inform youth about the risks associated with marijuana, its impact on their lives and community, and how different communities may be affected differently through Blunt Talk, a Sacramento City-based youth leadership development program that explores the racialized history, health risks, and economic and social justice impacts of the legalization of marijuana and prepares young people to engage in organizing and advocacy, built on the understanding that young people can advocate for themselves, create new policies which positively impact them and build networks/relationships which serve to inform and improve their communities.