



2011 COMMUNITY GRANTS

Alta Bates Summit Foundation

Breast Health Case Management Services for the Uninsured

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Alta Bates Summit's Breast Health Case Management Services for the Uninsured reduces the economic barriers preventing women from receiving their critical annual screening mammogram and provides low income women who cannot obtain coverage for this service through any other means with enrollment and case management for annual breast health services.

Asian & Pacific Islander American Health

Breast Cancer Awareness for Tongans

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APIAHF's Breast Cancer Awareness for Tongans Project will promote breast cancer education, screening, and resources available in the Tongan communities in the San Francisco Bay Area and promote and sustain a patient navigation system that assists Tongan women through the health care system and coordinates services for these women.

Asociacion Hispana del Cancer

Latina Breast Cancer Outreach and Early Detection Program

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The Asociación Hispana del Cancer is committed to saving the lives of Latinas by reducing the rate of late breast cancer diagnosis. The Asociación's Spanish-speaking cancer survivors serve as aliadas (cancer allies), and provide personal outreach to and translation for Spanish-speaking, low-income and/or medically isolated women to facilitate free breast exams and mammograms in Contra Costa and Alameda counties, and assist with follow-up.

Breast Cancer Connections

Early Detection (Patser) Program

Address: 390 Cambridge Ave, Palo Alto, CA 94306
Counties: Alameda, Contra Costa, Santa Clara, San Francisco, San Mateo
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The Gabriella Patser Program provides free screening, diagnostic, and navigation services for at-risk women and men and Community Screening Events, which bring free mammograms to communities with few medical resources. The program is designed as a safety net and is unique in providing the full continuum of care to those who otherwise would not have access to quality healthcare.

Breast Cancer Emergency Fund

Financial Assistance for Uninsured Women

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Phone: 415-558-6999 x 224
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The Breast Cancer Emergency Fund (BCEF) helps low-income residents of the San Francisco Bay Area struggling with breast cancer or its difficult treatment regimens by lightening the financial burden and emotional toll of unpaid bills. This financial support to low income women reduces barriers to treatment and improves health outcomes and quality of life.

Charlotte Maxwell Complementary Clinic

Increasing Access To Charlotte Maxwell for Monolingual Women with Cancer

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Charlotte Maxwell Complementary Clinic (CMCC) offers free complementary alternative medicine to address the side effects of cancer and its treatments. To ensure that those who speak little or no English have access to services, CMCC is increasing overall linguistic/cultural competency by increasing the number of bilingual volunteer providers and interpreters and outreaching to monolingual women. CMCC is also educating community partners to enhance their understanding of the importance of complementary alternative medicine in cancer care.

Círculo de Vida
Women's Program

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Círculo de Vida Cancer Support and Resource Center's in-hospital program provides support, translation, cancer information, and advocacy services to Latinas diagnosed with breast cancer. Círculo de Vida's peer counselors work with each patient from diagnosis through all phases of the breast cancer experience. The program is also creating a network to assist Latinas in learning to effectively communicate with their cancer treatment team, in alleviating their psychosocial distress, and in making sense of complex diagnostic and treatment information provided by physicians.

Community Health Partnership
Community Mammography Access Project

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The purpose of the Community Mammography Access Project is to increase access to mammography and reduce late stage breast cancer diagnosis among medically underserved women over 40 in Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties, using a Community Health Worker model to deliver culturally specific Spanish and Vietnamese health education and community-based mobile mammography services to provide free and low-cost mammograms in community health center settings.

Delta Memorial Hospital Foundation
Save A Life Sister

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Since 1993, Save A Life Sister has sought to ensure that East County residents survive breast cancer through early detection. The program provides screening, diagnostic services, and navigation for under-insured, low income women in English and Spanish. For those diagnosed with cancer additional support services are provided. Women are also assisted with enrollment in government health plans so that other health needs may be met. Current outreach emphasizes African Americans. Save A Life Sister remains the only program in Contra Costa County that serves women under age 40.

Doctors Medical Center
Extending Breast Cancer Care in West Contra Costa County

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Doctors Medical Center and Brookside Community Health Center collaborate to reduce barriers to culturally appropriate breast cancer health information, screening, diagnostic, and treatment services for low income West Contra Costa County women ages 18-49, particularly monolingual, new Latino immigrant women by strengthening outreach and referral linkages. A bilingual, bi-cultural BCHC Breast Health Patient Navigator will serve as an education and referral resource for BCHC patients on breast health and breast cancer and as a liaison with the Cancer Center to help patients obtain services.

Hospice by the Bay
Breast Cancer Care Fund

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The Breast Cancer Care Fund ensures that individuals coping with late stage breast cancer who have little or no financial resources can access palliative care services that keep them comfortable, in safe surroundings, and not alone as the disease progresses. The fund covers attendant care, massage, acupuncture, and medical supplies not covered through other means. By receiving the critical support they need as their medical needs change, these individuals receive the right medical care at the right time and costly repeat hospital and emergency room visits are greatly reduced.

Indian Health Center
Breast Cancer Screening and Awareness for American Indians

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The purpose of the Indian Health Center of Santa Clara Valley's *Breast Cancer Screening and Awareness* is to educate American Indian women about how to minimize the risk of getting breast cancer and eliminate unnecessary breast cancer deaths among underserved women. IHC provides outreach and screening services to Native women using culturally appropriate breast health messaging.

Latina Breast Cancer Agency

Mujeres Cuidando Mujeres/Women Caring for Women

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The Latina Breast Cancer Agency is a non-profit community-based organization dedicated to improving health care and breast health education for uninsured and underserved Latinas living in San Francisco and San Mateo Counties. Through the agency's *Mujeres Cuidando Mujeres/Women Caring for Women*, low-income Latinas age forty years and older are able to receive breast cancer education, screening services, and treatment if needed at no cost and without barriers.

Lyon Martin Health Services

Breast Health Program

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Lyon-Martin Health Services assists lesbian/bisexual/transgender people and other underserved women in accessing breast health screening, diagnostic, and treatment services by removing financial and cultural barriers; and ensuring coordinated and comprehensive care in Alameda and San Francisco counties.

Marin Center for Independent Living

Breast Cancer Benefits Planning

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The Breast Cancer Benefits Planning program helps uninsured and under-insured individuals diagnosed with Breast Cancer with financial assistance, advocacy, and assistance in obtaining, maintaining, and understanding health insurance during treatment and recovery. Services include peer counseling, help with applying for financial entitlement programs and utility discount programs understanding medical bills, assisting with the development of short and long term plans for coping with breast cancer.

Mission Neighborhood Health Ctr

Saber es Poder (Knowledge is Power)

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Mission Neighborhood Health Center (MNHC) is a comprehensive, culturally competent primary care provider to the Latino community for over 40 years. The MNHC *Saber es Poder* (Knowledge is Power) Breast Cancer Screening Program is reducing barriers to screening for patients at the MNHC Women's Clinic, where 90% of patients are uninsured or underinsured Latina, Spanish-speaking women who are immigrants. MNHC engages women in individual health education, makes mammography referrals, and assists patients with services such as making appointments with reminders, transportation and providing no-cost mammograms.

Northeast Medical Services

NEMS Breast Biopsy Program

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Beginning in 2011, the North East Medical Services (NEMS) Breast Biopsy Program will offer ultrasound-guided breast biopsies to patients on-site. The program will help provide free breast biopsy services to at least forty patients who may otherwise have difficulty accessing or paying for services. By doing so, NEMS will be able to provide more timely and better continuity of care, all within a culturally and linguistically-appropriate primary care setting. The majority of patients at NEMS are monolingual, uninsured, new Asian immigrants.

Ravenswood Family Health Center

Breast Health Awareness & Mammography

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As a Federally Qualified Health Center, RFHC provides culturally and linguistically competent access to quality primary care. The Breast Health Awareness and Mammography program educates women in the community on breast health screening and mammography services, and provides on-site clinical breast exams & mammography screening through a mobile mammography program. Other activities include health fairs, tailored telephone follow-up, and community awareness activities and incentives.

Samaritan House
Breast Care Clinic

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Website: www.samaritanhouse.com

The Samaritan House Breast Care Clinic (BCC) provides care for women without health insurance in San Mateo County. The various features of the program include education on breast self examinations, clinical breast exams in which an interpreter helps patients understand the exam, mammography, surgery, follow-up, and a support network where clients can discuss women's health issues.

SF General Hospital Foundation
Lymphedema Education and Referral Program

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As the safety net for 1.5 million residents, San Francisco General Hospital serves the most vulnerable and medically underserved individuals in San Francisco. The Breast Care Program's mission is to provide and promote comprehensive, high quality breast care, education and research in a compassionate and culturally sensitive environment. To this end, the Lymphedema Education and Referral Program provides breast cancer patients at risk for developing lymphedema with self care skills before and after breast cancer treatment by an onsite physical therapist.

Shanti
Lifelines

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Lifelines' multilingual, multicultural services augment hospital care and assist the underserved in accessing, maintaining and completing treatment. The program successfully reduces barriers that prevent access to care by engaging clients in Care Navigation which includes translation, transportation, coordination with partner agencies, appointment accompaniment, advocacy and help with accessing social services. The program reduces appointment "no shows," increasing adherence and follow-up care, especially for those that are non-English speaking and/or suffer from mental health issues.

St. Anthony Free Medical Clinic
Breast Health Program

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St. Anthony Free Medical Clinic provides preventative breast health care to low-income, uninsured women in San Francisco. The multi-cultural staff, who speak 16 languages, employ culturally appropriate materials and workshops specifically tailored to a diverse patient demographic. The clinic also engages community members in breast health education, outreach, and scheduling for mammograms through the SFGH MammoMobile and provides breast health education and coaching in self management during women's health appointments and during quarterly Women's Health Days.

The Latina Center
Circulos de Mujeres/ The Women's Circle Project

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The Latina Center's Círculos de Mujeres/The Women's Circles Project provides breast cancer education to underserved Latina women in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. Trained Advocates coordinate discussions and offer accurate information about early detection and screening, including self-exams, clinical exams, and mammograms. The Advocates also provide support such as accompaniment, translation, interpretation, and/or transportation and assist women in getting screened.

Tri City Health Center
Empowering Women to Care

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Tri-City Health Center's Empowering Women to Care program provides education, screening, and linkage to care for underserved women in Alameda County. The program provides breast cancer education and preventative breast health services including comprehensive breast health classes with materials in English, Spanish, and Chinese. The program assists low-income women in obtaining Clinical Breast exams, links at-risk women with mammogram screenings and provides transportation assistance.

Women's Cancer Resource Center
Community Health Advocate Program

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WCRC's Community Health Advocate (CHA) program uses volunteers trained and supervised to provide cancer support services and education to African American and Latina women with breast cancer in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. CHAs are cancer survivors and former caregivers who conduct early detection presentations in the community and support women through their breast cancer journey, offering peer emotional support, translation, home visits, and facilitating access to screening, diagnosis, treatment, practical assistance, and navigation.