

## **Rest Haven Children's Health Fund Announces 2021 Grant Recipients**

*Funding supports critical children's health initiatives in San Diego and Imperial Counties*

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**SAN DIEGO** (Dec 10, 2021) – [Rest Haven Children's Health Fund](#), a foundation supporting health-related services for underserved children in San Diego and Imperial Counties, has awarded grants totaling \$182,368 to 15 area nonprofit agencies through its 2021 grant funding cycle.

Rest Haven has undergone a competitive request for proposal process each year since 2008, averaging nearly \$200,000 in annual giving. Through this process, the foundation has now awarded a total of \$2,569,839 in the form of special one-time grants to 64 different nonprofit agencies that share its children's health mission. Two of the nonprofit agencies selected this year were first-time recipients (indicated with \*).

The 2021 grant recipients include:

- Emilio Nares Foundation
- True Care (formerly North County Health Services)
- Connect Med\*
- Imperial Valley Food Bank
- Promises2 Kids
- San Diego Blood Bank
- North County Lifeline
- Jacobs and Cushman San Diego Food Bank
- Center for Community Solutions
- Ronald McDonald House Charities of SD
- Family Health Centers
- San Diego Center for Children
- Boys & Girls Clubs of San Dieguito
- Neighborhood Healthcare\*
- AseLINE School

Rest Haven's mission is to provide funds for health-related services for children in San Diego and Imperial Counties when no other funds are available. Each year, the board of directors invites local agencies and institutions to submit proposals requesting funding for identified children's health needs in their communities. The one-time grants must be used to increase the organization's capacity to provide healthcare to meet the physical, developmental and/or mental health needs of children up through age 17. Grants may also be awarded to agencies for the acquisition of vital medical equipment and supplies. Prior to when the 2008 formal competitive request for proposal process began, Rest Haven had already given over \$2,407,000 between 1991 and 2007 to local agencies supporting children's health's needs.

Rest Haven has been supporting the health of underserved children since its founding in San Diego in 1909. Rest Haven's support later expanded to include children and agencies in Imperial County. Its funding is primarily designed to help children with healthcare needs when no other financial resources (private or public) are available. In addition to grants, Rest Haven provides funding assistance for individual children throughout the year through an online individual referral process. Any service provider who is working with a child and identifies a health need that is unmet due to lack of funding can go online to our website at [www.resthavenchf.org](http://www.resthavenchf.org) and submit a referral form. Rest Haven Children's Health Fund has been operating under its current name since 1998.

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