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Rest Haven Children's Health Fund Announces 2024 Special Grants Recipients

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

SAN DIEGO (July 1, 2024) – Rest Haven Children's Health Fund (Rest Haven), a nonprofit foundation supporting health-related services for underserved children in San Diego and Imperial Counties, awarded grants totaling **\$213,170.75** to 20 area nonprofit organizations through its 2024 Special Grants funding cycle.

Rest Haven established the Special Grants competitive annual grant process in 2008. Total annual awards average \$200,000, with over \$3,200,900 distributed since the grant's inception. Eighty-one San Diego and Imperial County nonprofit organizations that share Rest Haven's mission and vision have received funding since 2008.

Each year, Rest Haven's Board of Directors invites local nonprofits to submit applications requesting funding for their communities' identified children's health needs. The one-time grants must increase the organization's capacity to provide healthcare and related services to meet children's physical, developmental, or mental health needs in San Diego County or Imperial County. This year, Rest Haven again included childhood food insecurity in its scope for the Special Grants to help alleviate this growing health crisis.

The 2024 Special Grant recipients are as follows:

- American Academy of Pediatrics CA Chapter 3 (AAP-CA3)
- Aseltine School
- Boys & Girls Club of San Marcos
- Boys & Girls Club of Vista
- Boys & Girls Clubs of North County

- Boys & Girls Clubs of Oceanside
- Centro de Salud de la Comunidad de San Ysidro
- Emilio Nares Foundation
- Girls Rising
- Home of Guiding Hands
- Home Start, Inc.
- Imperial Valley Food Bank
- Neighborhood House Association
- Rady Children's Hospital - San Diego
- SBCS Corporation
- Sharp HealthCare Foundation
- The Elizabeth Hospice
- The Jacobs & Cushman San Diego Food Bank
- UC Health Milk Bank
- Vista Community Clinic

Rest Haven's mission is to provide funds for health-related services for children in San Diego and Imperial Counties when no other funds, private or public, are available. In addition to annual Special Grants, Rest Haven provides emergency funding assistance for children throughout the year through its emergency referral grants. Any service provider working with a child who identifies a health-related need that is unmet due to lack of funding can visit the website at resthavenchf.org to submit a referral form.

Rest Haven has supported the health needs of San Diego County's underserved children since its founding in 1909, and later expanded its support to include Imperial County.

Rest Haven Children's Health Fund has been operating under its current name since 1998.

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