MDH Health Disparities Grants

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1 Family and Children's Service	African American/ African	Unintentional Injuries and Violence	This project, Men Make the Peace, will develop and promote family violence prevention and early intervention skills for men, and enhance the commitment and capacity of community-based institutions to work effectively in north Minneapolis to prevent and reduce family violence as a root cause of violence.		Planning
			Partners		**Award**
			• MAD DADS • CCP/SAFE – 4th Precinct • Thomas Powell	• Kwanzaa Church • Domestic Abuse Project	$35,200
2 Fremont Community Health Services, Inc.	African American/ African	Cardiovascular disease Diabetes	This project will use adults from the African American community as peer educators / community mentors to ensure community-based education and outreach to identify individuals with risk factors for cardiovascular disease and diabetes, and provide clinic-based risk prevention screenings.		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• Fremont Community Health Services • North Memorial Stroke Center • Pilot City Health Center • University Family Physicians/ North Memorial	• Ageless Possibilities • Colorless Threads • MN Multicultural Media	$292,400
3 Freeport West, Inc	African American/ African	Teen Pregnancy Prevention	This project will create a culturally specific and culturally based circle of care for African American adolescents who are at risk of pregnancy, pregnant, or parenting. The intent is to reduce the incidence of too-early pregnancy by providing young women of African descent the skills, knowledge, and attitudes to make positive life choices, and by encouraging young women who have already had a child to delay having a second or third child.		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• Phillips/Powderhorn Coalition of African Women • Cultural Wellness Center Elder Council • Community Living Rooms Abbot Northwestern • University of MN Pediatrics	• Minnesota Visiting Nurse Agency • Women's Cancer Resource Center • Mpls. Schools Correction Center • Sabathani Community Center • Harriet Tubman • College of St. Catherine	$381,900

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4 Agape House of Mothers, Inc.	African American/ African	Teen Pregnancy Prevention, STIs	This program will organize its delivery function as a broad-based provider of direct and indirect programs and services that creates a holistic approach involving solutions from multiple community-based organizations in order to effectively reduce teen pregnancy and STIs among African Americans		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• Minor Parent Unit • Pilot City • Minneapolis Urban League • Pillsbury United Center • Thomas-Dale Block Club • Catholic Charities • River of Life Christian Church	• Word of His Power Church • On Fire Ministry • True Vine Missionary Baptist Church • Model Cities • Martin Luther King Center • St. Paul Urban League	$381,400
5 The Turning Point, Inc.	African American/ African	Teen Pregnancy Prevention, HIV/AIDS & STIs Unintentional Injuries and Violence	Turning Point, along with its partners, will address the priority health issues by expanding its outreach, education and intervention services. Culturally appropriate brochures will be developed, and health fairs, in-house training sessions, and other educational venues will be used to inform the target population of the risks of unsafe sexual practices and IV drug use. Educational seminars will focus on behavior modification, and thereby reduce risk factors. Job and other counseling, and other social services will be provided to address underlying factors such as poverty, drug use and depression		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• The Aliveness Project • African American Family Services • Every Penny Counts • Hennepin County Medical Center Infectious Disease Clinics	• African American IDS Task Force • The City, Inc. • MN AIDS Project	$146,200
6 Black Story-tellers	African/ American African	Teen Pregnancy Prevention	This is a planning grant to involve north Minneapolis African-American youth in discussions and strategy-development for effective programming in the area of teenage pregnancy prevention. The organization and partners will hold discussions and focus groups, teen pregnancy prevention workshops, interviews and surveys to identify and collect teen age pregnancy prevention strategies that African- American youth, boys and girls, in grades 4-9 have. The final report of the collected information will be made available to youth serving agencies and teenage pregnancy prevention programs.		Planning
			Partners		**Award**
			• The Aliveness Project • African American Family Services • Every Penny Counts • Hennepin County Medical Center Infectious Disease Clinics	• African American IDS Task Force • The City, Inc. • MN AIDS Project	$50,000

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7 Mpls. Urban League	African American/ African	Teen Pregnancy Prevention, HIV/AIDS and STIs	This project provides follow-up and reinforcement of prevention messages to 300 Near North youth who are enrolled in pregnancy, ATOD, or HIV/STI prevention curricula, or have completed a curriculum in the recent past. The program will take place after school and during the summer months at various sites in Near North Minneapolis. The project gathers youth together and involves them in after school activities they enjoy while also subtly reinforcing prevention messages. Activities include educational enrichment, help with homework, recreational activities, theater experiences, aerobic classes, art classes, and computer instruction. In short, the project builds on prevention education and gives youth something better to do with their time than engage in risky behavior. Parent and parent/child discussion and support groups will also be offered.		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• Call to Action • Macedonia Baptist Church • Legacy Village • Janelle Ranek	• Hospitality House • Community Fitness Today • Juxtaposition Arts	$240,000
8 African American AIDS Task Force (AAATF)	African American/ African	HIV/AIDS/STIs	Award will be used to expand AAATF's outreach, testing and counseling network to include HCMC's walk-in Medicine Clinic patients. The two organizations will combine their resources to test individuals for HIV, offer prevention health screenings, provide education and counseling services, and connect patients with community health and social services resources. As a result, AAATF expects to find more people at-risk for HIV/AIDS; improve at-risk clients' access to education, testing, counseling, and medical services; and effect a decrease in the secondary infection rate. Recommending HIV testing routinely in clinical settings presents an opportunity to target high prevalence communities, de-stigmatize HIV testing, and better link HIV-infected persons to care and prevention services.		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• Hennepin County Medical Center • North Memorial Hospital's University Family Physicians Family Clinic • MN Department of Health	• AAATF Programs and Services • MN Department of Human Services • OraSure Technologies, Inc.	$194,000

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9 Council on Crime and Justice	African American/ African Primarily	Primarily HIV/AIDS & STIs	The Council on Crime and Justice is a non-profit agency that addresses the causes and consequences of crime and violence through research, demonstration, and advocacy activities. Minnesota leads the nation in disparities in the criminal justice system. The Council believes the disproportionate incarceration of African American males in Minnesota contributes to the health disparities of this population, including HIV/AIDS. EDHI funded planning activities will be to conduct a comprehensive community assessment to identify the issues, resources, barriers to access, and opportunities for collaboration concerning the link between released African American male and their health status, with a priority on HIV/AIDS.		Planning
			Partners		**Award**
			• African American Leadership Summit • Anoka County Attorney • Chicano Latino Affairs Council • City of St. Paul, Human Rights Dept. • Civil Liberties Union • Cecil Newman Resource Center • Centro • Council on Asian Pacific Minnesota • Council on Crime and Justice • Division of Indian Work • God's Prison Ministry • Greater Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce • Greater Minneapolis and St. Paul Council of Churches • Hamline University • Hennepin County Attorney • Hennepin County Fourth Judicial District • Hennepin County Sheriff's Office • Hmong Interpreters of MN • Mpls. Police Department • Minneapolis Urban League	• Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights • MN Department of Corrections • MN Department of Public Safety • MN Minority Lawyers Association • MN Public Defender • MN Supreme Court • National Conference for Community and Justice • New Beginnings Program • Paradigms of Success • Ramsey County Second Judicial District • Ramsey County Social Services • Resource Center of the Americas • St. Paul Police Department • Turning Point • U.S. Attorney's Office, District of MN • U of MN Law School • University of Toledo Law School • Urban Venture Leadership Foundation • Vietnam Center • Walks Tall Program	$69,500

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10 North Suburban Youth Health Clinic (Annex Teen Clinic)	African American/ African	Teen Pregnancy Prevention, HIV/AIDS and STIs	This project will deliver an intergenerational program that supports young African Americans' reproductive health and reduces the number of African American teens who get pregnant in North Minneapolis. At the same time, the project will help reduce rates of STIs and HIV. Funding will help partners broaden and deepen existing programs as well as initiate new programming to promote the healthy development of youth.		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• Call to Action • Nia-Imani Youth and Family Development Center of Kwanzaa Community Presbyterian Church • North Community YMCA	• The Minneapolis Beacons Project and Network • National Teen Pregnancy Prevention Research Center	400,000
11 Women's Cancer Resource Center	African American and African	Breast and Cervical Cancer	The South Minneapolis Cancer Control Coalition for African American Women is proposing a planning project that will focus on breast and cervical cancer screening and treatment for African American women living in south Minneapolis with an emphasis on the Phillips, Powderhorn and neighborhoods in the 55401 to 55408 zip codes.		Planning
			Partners		**Award**
			• Southside Community Health Clinic • African American Family Services • Moore Board and Lodge	• American Cancer Society • African American Breast Cancer Alliance • Powderhorn/Phillips Cultural Wellness Center	$61,000
12 Stairstep Foundation	African American	Breast and Cervical Cancer Cardiovascular Disease Diabetes HIV/AIDS& STIs Immunizations Infant Mortality Teen Pregnancy Prevention Unintentional injuries and violence	The Community Reclamation Projects' (CRP) Health Initiative is a health prevention and intervention program to eliminate disparities in the African American community in the 8 identified health disparities areas. Working through 10 African American Churches, the CRP Health Initiative will provide 5,000 African Americans with health care resources, screening, prevention and intervention activities and health behavior education. A project coordinator has been hired to direct this initiative.		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• MDHFS • Children's Defense Fund	• 10 Minneapolis and St. Paul African-American Churches	$387,500

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13 Greater Mpls. Council of Churches / Division of Indian Work	Minneapolis Metro American Indian Community	Teen Pregnancy Prevention	Grantee will gather information about American Indian teen mothers from various sources and develop community solutions to teen pregnancy through an advisory committee.	Implement
			Partners	**Award**
			• MN Indian Women's Resource Center & Little Earth Community Partnership • MN Organization for Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention and Parenting • Indian Health Board • American Indian OIC Ginew/Golden Eagles	59,100
14 Indian Health Board	Twin Cities American Indian Community	Not Yet Determined (planning grant)	Grantee will create and conduct a survey in conjunction with American Indian-serving agencies, and complete a community assets assessment. Results will be shared and discussed with a circle of elders and with the broader community at an Urban Indian Health Disparities Forum. From these groups, an Urban Indian Health Blueprint, Urban Indian Health Workplan, and an Urban Indian Health Policy Project will be developed to define and implement health-improvement strategies identified by the project.	Planning
			Partners	**Award**
			• Metropolitan Urban Indians Directors Health Disparities Subcommittee	$75,000
15 Mpls. American Indian Center	Twin Cities Metro American Indian Community	Cardiovascular disease, diabetes, teen pregnancy prevention, HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted infections, and unintentional injury and violence	Healthy Options – addresses cardiovascular disease, diabetes, violence and unintentional injuries by creating opportunities and awareness for healthy lifestyle choices in the community. Mentoring Program – addresses violence prevention and teen pregnancy by providing youth with positive adult role models. Youth Leadership – address violence by creating youth councils that participate in peer education and community organizing activities to engage youth positively in their community.	Implement
			Partners	**Award**
			• Indian Youth Consortium • Phillips Safety Center • Phillips Family Network	$345,500
16 Greater Mpls. Council of Churches /Division of Indian Work	Hennepin County American Indian Community	Infant Mortality	Outreach activities will identify and recruit pregnant mothers in this program. Pregnant mothers will be supported through doula services, prenatal care, home visiting, and case management services. Families will be supported by fathers programs, parent education, family planning services, and respite childcare. The community will be targeted through a media education campaign and culturally specific education materials. A community resource advocate would inform and connect community residents with these services.	Implement
			Partners	**Award**
			• MN Indian Women's Resource Center & Little Earth Community Partnership	

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17 Park Avenue Family Practice	Hmong Families	Breast and Cervical Cancer, Immunizations, Cardiovascular Disease, Infant Mortality, Diabetes, Teen Pregnancy Prevention, HIV/AIDS & STIs, Unintentional Injuries	Grantees will work to overcome cultural barriers to western medicine within the Park Avenue Clinic by increasing the amount of time counseling patients during the after visits. Education on issues related to sex and domestic violence will be provided through culturally-specific educational forums in collaboration with the ST. Vincent Hmong Catholic Church and the Highland Lifecare Center		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• St. Vincent's • Hmong Catholic Church	• Highland Lifecare Center	$90,000
18 Southeast Asian Comm. Council, Inc. (SEACC)	Asian American Families, particularly Hmong	Immunizations For Adults And Children, And Unintentional Injuries & Violence	The focus of this grant is on organizing and educating Hmong families about violence and immunizations. The grant will support a Hmong community organizer, a Parent Effectiveness and Family Effectiveness instructor, and community-wide events. SEACC intends to provide Parent Effectiveness and Family Effectiveness training with a focus on immunizations and injury prevention to 40 parents and 20 youth per quarter		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• Jordan Area Community Council • Hawthorne Area Community Council • Cleveland Neighborhood Association	• Pilot City Health Clinic • Minneapolis Public Schools	$375,000
19 Asian Community Health Center	Asian American	Breast and Cervical Cancer, Cardiovascular Disease, Diabetes, Infant Mortality	ACPC aims to increase awareness, improve preventive services levels and reduce the disparities that exist in chronic diseases among Asian Pacific Islanders. They will develop and implement a culturally effective outreach and education program focusing on API Chronic disease prevention and health promotion. They will also provide health workshops and screening days.		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• Center for API Multicultural Health Promotion • SEARCH (Southeast Asian Refugee Community Home) • Asian American Press • Vietnamese Social Service of MN • Asian Pacific Partnership for Empowerment and Leadership (APPEAL)	• Hmong American Partnership • Lao Assistance Center • United Cambodian Association of MN • Asian Pacific Tobacco-Free Coalition of MN • MN Partnership for Action Against Tobacco • MDH Tobacco Control Program	$354,700

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20 Lao Family Community of MN, Inc.	Asian American	HIV/AIDS and sexually-transmitted infections, teen pregnancy prevention, unintentional injuries and violence	The new program, "comprehensive Hmong youth development initiative," will combine several individual but complementary programs into a single, comprehensive, and integrated Hmong youth development program. It will broaden the focus on teen pregnancy by incorporating positive youth development activities, intensive case management with parenting teens, and counseling and education to reduce conflict and violence between parents and their children and within the relationships between young Hmong men and women. Prevention of HIV/AIDS and STIs will also be addressed		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• AGAPE • Arlington High School • Harding High School • Cleveland Middle School • Expo Elementary School • Minneapolis Public Schools • Teen Parents at Arlington and Harding and Expo Schools • MN Department of Health • Health Start	• University of MN – Div. Of Epi. • Ramsey County Health Department • Urban Coalition • MN Department of Human Services • Blue Cross Foundation • St. Paul Public Schools • MN Department of Health MNABLE • Women's Assoc. Of Hmong and Lao • Assoc. For the Hmong Women in MN	$200,000
21 Hmong National Org	Asian American	Immunization for Adults and Children	This project will focus on increasing immunization rates for Hmong youth and children in the Twin Cities metropolitan area. The objective is to develop a model of service delivery that will improve the health of Hmong children by providing comprehensive child healthcare case-management services, and to teach the enrolled families to use preventive health care services on their own. The project will also promote immunization information to the Hmong community		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• Children's Hospitals and Clinics	• HNO's Parent & Community Advisory Committee for Program Development	$175,000
22 Vietnamese Social Services of MN	Asian American	Breast and Cervical Cancer	VSS will implement five major activities to address cervical cancer screening rates among Vietnamese women in Hennepin, Ramsey, Dakota, Washington, Scott, Carver and Anoka counties: (1) a media campaign; (2)Training for lay health workers; (3) a Vietnamese cervical cancer screening clinic; (4) a Pap smear registry; and (5) seminars for Vietnamese doctors.		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• North Central Cancer Information Service • Mayo Clinic • Church of St. Aldalbert, St. Paul	• Vietnamese Buddhist Association in Minnesota • Church of St. Joseph Hien, Mpls	$146,800

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23 Carondelet Life-Care Ministries/ St. Mary's Health Clinics	Hispanic/ Latino	Breast and Cervical Cancer; Diabetes	St. Mary's Health Clinics will collaborate with Latino parishes to provide health care information and education to encourage and facilitate access to necessary health services. They will: (1) promote early diagnosis of diabetes; (2) promote breast cancer and cervical cancer screenings; (3) provide improved ongoing treatment for diabetic patients; (4) provide pap smears and mammograms; and (5) provide necessary follow-up treatment and services for positive pap smear and mammogram results		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• Santo Rosario, Holy Rosary Parish • Sagrado Corazon, Minneapolis • St. Mathew's Parish	• Assumption Parish • Sagrado Corazon, St. Paul • Our Lady of Guadalupe	$121,800
24 Centro, Inc	Low-income Latino Adolescents and Their Parents	Teen Pregnancy Prevention	This grant is focused on preventing teen pregnancy by working together with parents and their adolescent children to provide education and foster communication about sex and pregnancy prevention. 30 Latina teen girls and 30 Latino teenage boys will participate in two gender-specific retreats along with their same-sex parent and retreat staff to discuss issues around sex and pregnancy prevention, and to develop skills such as resisting peer pressure, negotiating, and setting boundaries.		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• Elders, parents and Youth • Planned Parenthood • MOAPP	• U of M Midwife Program • U of M CUPES	$125,000
25 MN International Health Volunteers (MIHV)	Somali Families	Breast and Cervical Cancer, Immunizations, Cardiovascular Disease, Infant Mortality and Diabetes.	This grant is focused on reducing barriers to health care access for the Somali community. Specific activities include providing educational forums for health care providers and community members, training 5 Somali Community Health Workers, and creating a video in Somali on health care.		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• Confederation of Somali Communities in Minnesota (CSCM)	• Leadership, Empowerment and Development (LEAD)	$257,400
26 Dar Al-Hajrah Cultural Center	Somali Families	Immunizations for Adults & Children and Diabetes	This planning grant is focused on developing culturally specific outreach and educational strategies for the Somali Community on Immunizations and Diabetes		Planning
			Partners		**Award**
			• Smileys' Family Practice Clinic		$50,000

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27 Children's Health Care	African American Hispanic/ Latino	Breast & Cervical Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Disease, HIV/AIDS & STIs, Immunizations for Adults and Children, Infant Mortality, Teen Pregnancy Prevention, Unintentional Injuries and Violence	Teenage Medical Services (TAMS) and Centro de Salud are two specialty clinics of Children's Hospitals and Clinics. TAMS targets adolescents, and Centro targets Hispanic and Latino families. Through these two clinics, EDHI will address health disparities in African American and Hispanic/Latino youth. Teen pregnancy and HIV/AIDS and STI prevention activities will include community birth control classes and improving staff Spanish language barriers; cardiovascular disease will be prevented through cholesterol screenings, nutrition education, and fitness instruction; and immunization rates will be increased through home visiting and screenings.		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• Teenage Medial Services • Centro De Salud • African American Family Services • YWCA of Minneapolis • Macedonia Baptist Church • The City, Inc. • Edison High School	• The Bridge for Runaway Youth • Center for Cross Cultural Care • Centro Cultural Chicano • Phillips TLC • Camden's Future • Powderhorn Family Network	$361,900
28 West Side Community Health Services	Asian American and Hispanic/ Latino	Diabetes	Strategies include: (1) provide one-on-one and group patient visits at all WSCHS clinics; (2) create culturally and linguistically appropriate peer education and community health education materials; (3) Identify and train Latino and Hmong people with diabetes to become peer educators; (4) provide in –home health education; and (5) conduct community health interventions and media campaigns		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• St. Paul/Ramsey County Depart. Of Public Health • St. Paul Family Medical Clinic • Lao Medical Clinic • Hmong Health Care Professionals Coalition • Center for Hmong Arts and Talents • East Metro Diabetes Initiative	• Regions Hospital Healthmobile • Hmong American Partnership • Women's Association of Hmong and Lao • Hmong Culture Center • Elders' Day Care Center Tsev Kav Siab • Hmong Alliance Church	$292,300

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29 Youth Link	African American/ African Asian Hispanic/ Latino	HIV/AIDS & STIs Immunizations for Adults and Children Infant Mortality Teen Pregnancy Prevention Unintentional Injuries & Violence	Youth Link provides healthcare and social services to homeless youth. Homeless youth are vulnerable and at-risk for a wide range of emotional, social, and health issues. Youth Link's EDHI grant will be used to expand Youth Link's Health and Wellness Clinic through improved integration of its health and social services. This will include a revision of its initial intake and improving the youth involvement components of its work.		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• Streetworks Ain Dah Yung • Brian Coyle Center	• Centro • Hmong MN Pacific Association	$144,000
30 Parents in Community Action, Inc. (PICA	African American/ African American Indian Asian Hispanic/ Latino	Cardiovascular Disease Diabetes HIV/AIDS & STIs Immunizations for Adults and Children Unintentional Injuries & Violence	PICA is a Head Start program that provides education and health services to children and their families. PICA's governance is shared with its participant parents. PICA will use EDHI funding to address health disparities in its participants families through nutrition and health education, fitness training, special events such as health fairs and workshops, home visiting, and immunization services.		Implement
			Partners		**Award**
			• Hennepin County Community Health Dept. • Metropolitan Visiting Nurse Agency • LaCreche Early Childhood Centers People Serving People • St. Anne's Shelter RS Eden • Linda Armstrong, Nutrition Consultant	• Dr. Jean Barton Children's Dental Service • 348-TOTS Courage Center • Children's Health Care Children's Defense Fund • Sight and Hearing Association • Red Cross • Nicollet Tennis Center, Inc.	$244,900
Minnesota Organization on Adolescent Pregnancy, Prevention and Parenting (MOAPPP)	**Hispanic/Latino**	**Teen Pregnancy Prevention**	**The project targets an estimated 7,000 youth ages 10-19 in Minneapolis and their families using a comprehensive approach involving health care, academics, afterschool activities, employment and parenting to blend reproductive health and parenting.** **Partners: La Clinica en Lake (West Side Community Health Services), CLUES and La Oportunidad, National Teen Pregnancy Prevention Research Center**		**Implementation** **$325,000**
31 Boys and Girls Clubs of the Twin Cities	African American/ African, American Indian, Asian American, Hispanic/ Latino	Teen Pregnancy Prevention, HIV/AIDS and STIs	This project will use SMART Moves program which helps young people develop skills to resist alcohol, tobacco, other drug use and sexual involvement. SMART Moves uses a team of staff, parents, community representatives and older Club members to impart the knowledge and teach the skills needed.		Implement
			Partners		**Award**

			• Jack Cornelius Club • Jerry Gamble Club • Southside Village • Lincoln School Beacon Site	• West Side Club • East Side Club • Mt. Airy Club	$200,000