

**Nevada Statewide MCH Coalition  
2013-2014 Mini-Grants Program – Final Report**

## **Background & Process**

The mini-grant request for proposal was released in early March 2013 to the entire MCH Coalition membership via email. All members and partner organizations were encouraged to forward on the RFP to their constituents and community partners, as well. Proposals were due April 19, 2013. Steering Committee members met on April 25, 2013, to determine grant awards (committee members with conflicts of interest were recused from the mini-grant selection process). Awardees were notified on the afternoon of April 25, 2013. MCH Coalition membership and the public were notified of the mini-grant awards through a press release (see attached), web announcement on the new MCH Coalition website and through an e-blast announcement to all membership.

Mini-grant contracts were executed between April 26 and May 6, 2013. The mini-grant cycle began May 1, 2013 and ended February 28, 2014. Throughout the grant cycle, MCH Coalition staff was available for grantee support. Grantees gave a mid-cycle update of grant progress at the MCH Coalition General meeting on October 29, 2013, held over lunch on the second day of the 2013 Nevada Health Conference. Final reports for grant progress were due on March 7, 2013. Reports were reviewed by MCH Coalition staff and a summary is included herein.

## **Overview of Outcomes**

During the MCH Mini-Grants process, through the work of member organizations, the MCH Coalition established new partnerships, offered an entry-level grant writing experience, enhanced capacity for grant management and further engaged Steering Committee members in a grant review process. Funding of \$45,000 provided through Mini-Grants allowed the MCH Coalition to demonstrate impressive and tangible impact in Nevada's communities, including:

- 80 providers trained at Bright Futures training
- 90 providers trained at Adolescent Relationship Abuse trainings
- 1,800 children & adolescents received no-cost dental services
- 1,221 adolescents received no-cost medical services
- 3 Nevada hospitals received Breastfeeding-Friendly star rating
- 1,664 victims of intimate partner violence served

## **Success Stories & Lessons Learned**

*"Madgalera recently turned 19 and is no longer eligible to come to the Huntridge Teen Clinic for her dental needs. At her final appointment, I asked her about her plans for her future. Was she excited that she had recently graduated from high school? Did she plan to go on to college? I was dumbfounded when she told me she plans to become a dental hygienist. She said she had often thought she wanted to pursue some sort of healthcare career, but it was the care she received at the Huntridge Teen Clinic that made her decide on dental hygiene!"*

*"The Shade Tree received a very thoughtful letter from a former client detailing her experience at The Shade Tree. This client came to The Shade Tree broken with no idea of what her next steps would be. She was assigned a Case Manager who referred her to a variety of Life Skills and Education classes as well as our Workforce Readiness program. She was able to create her resume and was given interview tips, appropriate interview clothing and job leads. This client gained employment at a local casino then began to concentrate on finding a home. She began taking Life Skill classes geared toward self-sufficiency such as Financial Literacy and Housing I and Housing II classes. She is now in her own apartment and stated she is so grateful to The Shade Tree for making a positive difference in her life."*

*"Future Smiles has been blessed by additional funding which will allow us to sustain this project. We would like to note that the MCH Mini-Grant came at a time of low financial support and was greatly needed! Thank you!"*



## Measurable Outcomes Report

### Nevada Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics

#### *6<sup>th</sup> Annual Nevada Chapter Meeting*

\$1,500

**Target Priority Area Addressed:** Increase provider knowledge and use of Bright Futures resources

- Approximately 80 in attendance of Bright Futures training

### Huntridge Teen Clinic

#### *Teen Medical and Dental Program*

\$5,000

**Target Priority Area Addressed:** Increase utilization of EPSDT services

- 1,221 teens served in the medical clinic for services such as STD/STI testing and treatment, pregnancy testing
- 902 teens served in dental clinic for various comprehensive dental services

### The Shade Tree, Inc.

#### *Healthy Minds Healthy Bodies*

\$6,000

**Target Priority Area Addressed:** Reducing intimate partner violence incidence and mortality

- 349 victims of IPV assisted with creating a safety plan
- 428 unduplicated clinic visits
- 761 victims of IPV assisted with workforce readiness
- 126 Life Skills and Education unduplicated classes

### Future Smiles

#### *Clark County Dental Initiative*

\$7,500

**Target Priority Area Addressed:** Increase utilization of EPSDT services

- 9 schools
- 900 children screened for dental needs
- 2,085 teeth sealed for children

### Nevada Network Against Domestic Violence

#### *Adolescent Relationship Abuse Awareness Project*

\$10,000

**Target Priority Area Addressed:** Reducing intimate partner violence incidence and mortality

- 7 adolescent relationship abuse trainings with a total of 90 participants (nurses, social workers, MFTs, public school counselors and public health professionals)
  - 4 in Clark County
  - 1 in Reno
  - 2 in Carson City
- 5,000 brochures/cards printed & 5,344 distributed through Nevada
- 1 Teen Resource Page created on NNADV website

### Breastfeeding Task Force of Nevada

#### *Nevada Maternity Center Breastfeeding-Friendly Designation Initiative*

\$15,000

**Target Priority Area Addressed:** Reducing obesity in women of childbearing age; Increasing provider knowledge and use of Bright Futures resources

- 19 birthing hospitals notified of designation and application process
- 3 applications received from birthing hospitals to secure Star Ratings

