



Great Grants and Initiatives

Grantor: Rose Community Foundation

Grantee or Initiative: Child Health Advocates

Amount: \$328,000

Period of Grant Award: 1998 (original grant)

A \$328,000 grant from Rose Community Foundation created more than \$2 million for grantmaking to improve children's health.

In 1998 Rose Community Foundation granted \$328,000 to launch Child Health Advocates (CHA), a nonprofit organization established to administer Child Health Plan *Plus* (CHP+), a publicly funded health-insurance plan for uninsured children. Between 1999 and 2001 CHA raised enrollment in CHP+ from about 15,000 to more than 40,000 children. Then in 2002 CHA's board of directors sold the operations to a corporation that provides services to local and state governments. With more than \$2 million from the sale, the board established Colorado Child Health Foundation (CCHF), now a restricted fund of Rose Community Foundation. Rose Community Foundation's Health Committee makes grants from the fund based on priorities established by CCHF.

In 2004 and 2005, Colorado Child Health Foundation awarded grants totaling \$360,000 to organizations providing health care, mental-health care and dental care to children.