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CAREChest.org



Medical Resources for Nevadans in Need

2016-17 Annual Report



Our Mission

CARE Chest is a Northern Nevada non-profit agency serving individuals in need by providing medical resources, free of charge.

A Letter From Our Board President and Executive Director

Dear Friends,

It has been a busy and impactful year at CARE Chest!

Through the generosity of our community, we helped 34% more Nevadans this past fiscal year. Across our six programs, CARE Chest provided 18,567 items including:

- **683 wheelchairs**
- **2,373 cases of medical nutrition**
- **2,300 emergency prescriptions**

While every story is unique, our team offers compassion, respect and tangible help to some of our most vulnerable families.

This past year, our services became more accessible through expansion of our Mobile Services, which now include monthly outings to Northern Nevada HOPES, Community Health Alliance and both the Washoe County and Carson City Senior Centers. This service puts our neighbors on the path to better health by directly addressing the transportation barriers many clients face. The savings to our community are immeasurable - whether we help with a co-payment for a sick child's antibiotic or give a tub transfer bench and safety grab bars to an elderly couple living in their own home, one thing is clear - because CARE Chest exists in Northern Nevada, we all enjoy a better quality of life in our community!

We are proud of CARE Chest's 26 year track record, helping to fill gaps in health care. Your support ensures our residents can live independently, and safely in their homes and neighborhoods, thank you for making a difference in our community!

Warm regards,



Tania Violette
President, Board of Directors



Patti Meals
Executive Director

OUR PROGRAMS

Medical Equipment and Supplies

Walkers, wheelchairs, nebulizers, diapers, ostomy supplies, transfer benches, wound care, and more

Medical Nutrition

Ensure, Glucerna, and Instant Breakfast. Doctor's prescription required

Prescription Assistance

Up to \$100 annually for help with emergency prescriptions such as antibiotics, respiratory medicine, heart medicine and more.

Diabetic Supplies

Blood glucose meters, test strips, lancets, syringes, and diabetic medication. Doctor's prescription required

Independent Living and CARE Loan

Modifications to homes and vehicles, assistive technology

Wellness Education

Hands-on workshops for better health, including diabetes management, nutrition, smart shopping, exercise and more

Care and Hope for One Local Family



18,567
ITEMS DISTRIBUTED

8,694
PIECES OF MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

2,373
CASES OF MEDICAL NUTRITION

4,833
DIABETIC SUPPLIES

Chris woke up in the hospital with three crushed vertebrae, paralyzed from the chest down after a motorcycle accident. After a daylong spinal surgery, months in the hospital, and many more months in a rehabilitation center, Chris finally returned home to his family. He relied on a wheelchair for the first time in his life.

He was unable to work or support his wife and two young daughters. Although times were hard, the promise of being able to raise his girls continually drove Chris to recover.

Just over a year later, Chris has regained some sensation in his chest, and his smile is back, along with his confidence. Still, his family struggles to make ends meet. They live with extended family, and are unable to afford much of supplies he needs to live independently.

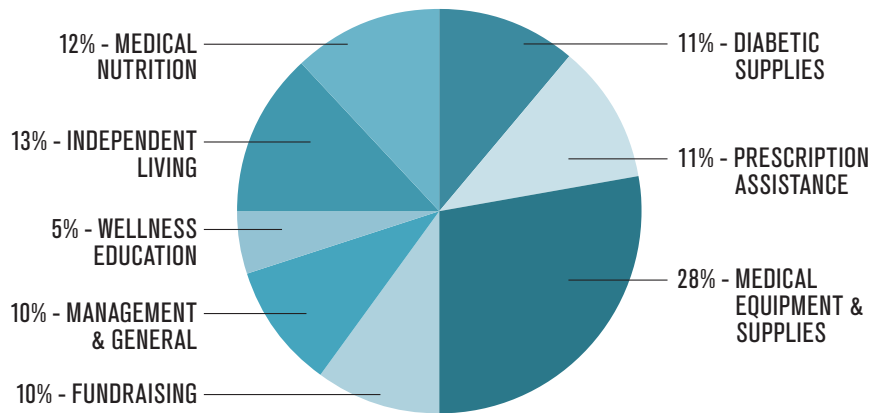
Chris found CARE Chest when he needed medical hygiene supplies that he could not afford, despite having disability insurance. Chris was running the risk of infection, and had no confidence leaving the house. He came to CARE Chest because he needed catheter supplies, and we helped him with these and a variety of additional items that make his life more manageable and dignified.

Chris just started a new job and is able to begin providing for his family. Our services kept Chris out of the hospital with subsequent infections, and have ensured that he is supported on a path to recovery. He tells us he has no way to express his gratitude, other than letting others know about how important the help has been to him. The smiles of his family say more than we ever could about how CARE Chest has changed their lives for the better.

Financial Statement

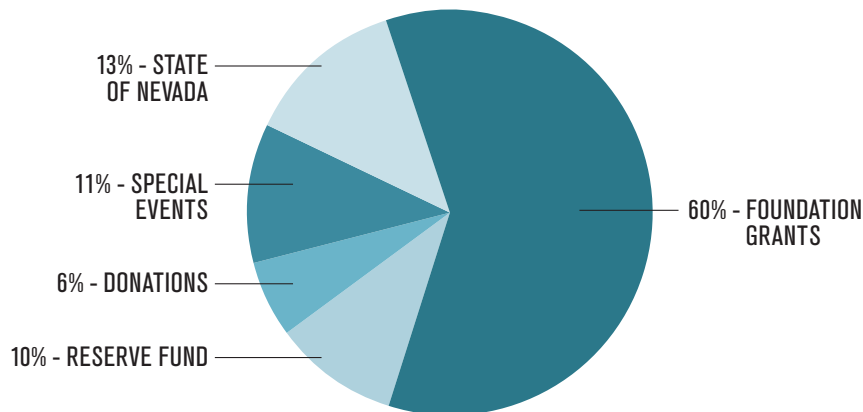
EXPENSES

\$998,263



REVENUE

\$998,263



Ensure a Caring Legacy

CARE Chest relies on local support to change lives here in Northern Nevada.

Consider including CARE Chest in your estate plan to give the gift of independence to the next generation of Nevadans.

To learn more about CARE Chest or to discuss your estate planning priorities, call 775-829-2273 ext. 115 or log on to CAREChest.org

11,534 PEOPLE HELPED – MOST OF ALL TIME

34% MORE PEOPLE SERVED THAN 2015

43% OF OUR CLIENTS ARE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 30 & 64

10% OF OUR CLIENTS ARE OVER THE AGE OF 80

49% OF CLIENTS ARE UNINSURED

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