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Chest of Sierra Nevada

Dedicated to providing northern Nevadans in need with medical resources, free of charge.



Annual Report
2009

Program Highlights for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2009

CARE Chest helped a record breaking number of people (9,714) and provided 15,228 medical items during the fiscal year. The following are highlights of our work to improve the lives of northern Nevadans in need:

- The Diabetic Program helped 3,291 individuals with the glucose meters, test strips, lancets, syringes and medications they need to monitor and maintain optimal health.
- The Emergency Prescription Program assisted 2,676 people with 4,272 emergency prescriptions to cure infections, prevent seizures, control asthma and heart disease. This service also prevents costly emergency room visits, long term health problems and negative financial consequences.
- The Durable Medical Equipment Program provided 2,721 northern Nevadans with 4,053 items including wheelchairs, ramps, walkers, transfer benches, shower chairs, safety grab bars, adult diapers and much more. These items improve mobility and independence for those with injuries or disabilities and keep seniors safe in their homes.
- 938 people received liquid nutrition with instant breakfast and enteral products. These costly items help malnourished adults and seniors get the nutrition needed to maintain health and avoid dangerous weight loss.
- The CARE Loan Fund Program secures bank loans for individuals with disabilities to purchase assistive technology devices that make living independently easier, such as van and home modifications, specialized computer keyboards, speech and hearing aids and more.
- CARE Chest contracted with Philips Lifeline to market the Lifeline Personal Response System and CARE Chest programs throughout the community.

It's all about the people we help...

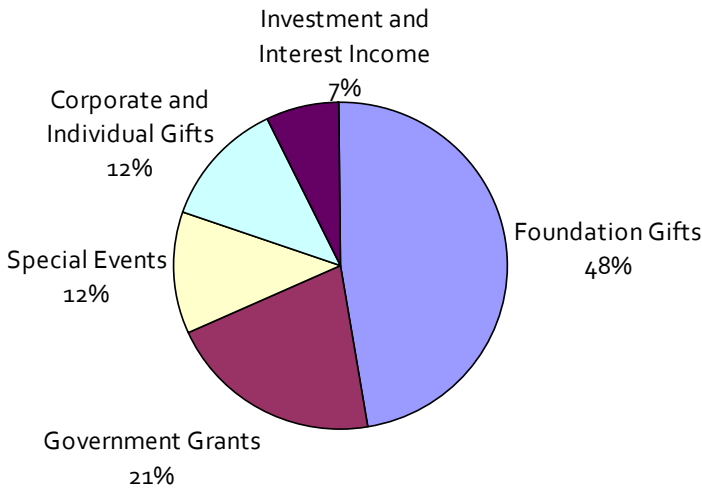
- 68% are uninsured
- 64% earn less than \$1,100 a month with an average of 2 people in the household
- 10% are children, 70% are between 19-64 years old & 20% are 65 or older
- 45% are unemployed, 18% disabled & 13% retired



68 year-old Wilfred is an amputee. While he has insurance, it doesn't cover all his needs. He received help through CARE Chest with a wheelchair, prescriptions for high blood pressure, and insulin and test strips for diabetes.

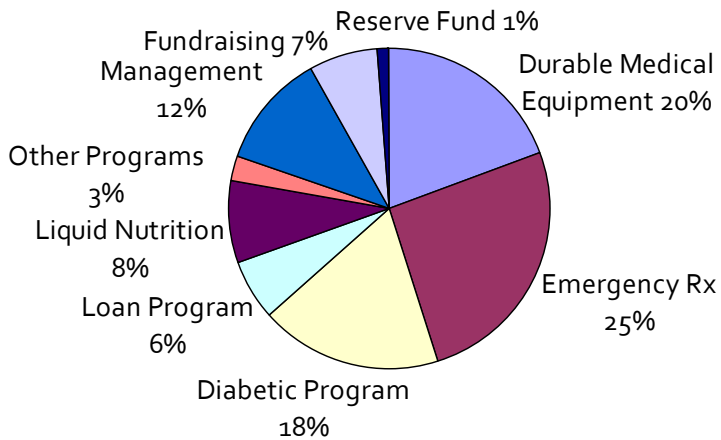
Fiscal Year Ending 6/30/2009
Audited Financial Statements

Income



Total Revenue - \$716,541

Expenditures



Total Expenses - \$716,541

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The retail value of items provided to northern Nevadans was more than **\$826,277**, including:

- Durable Medical Equipment \$540,121
- Emergency Prescriptions \$69,225
- Diabetic Supplies & Medications \$159,068
- Liquid Nutrition \$42,271
- Diapers and Bed Pads \$15,592



Genesis' mom couldn't afford the medication to cure her painful ear infection - CARE Chest paid for the antibiotic so she could be a happy, healthy baby again.



Overwhelmed with high medical bills, Stephanie, who has had cancer since she was an infant, couldn't afford medical equipment that would help her recover from her latest surgery. CARE Chest helped with a walker, commode, grab bars, and wound care supplies.

THANK YOU

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Your donations make a difference:

- \$100 buys 10 safety grab bars that prevent seniors from falling in the tub.
- \$200 buys 1 year's worth of diabetic testing strips.
- \$500 cures infection, prevents seizures and controls asthma for 5 local children.
- \$1,000 helps 13 ill, injured and elderly Nevadans with all the medical resources available at CARE Chest.

Did you know....

5% of your estate can be the difference between sickness and health for people in desperate need of free medical supplies. Please consider a charitable bequest to CARE Chest of Sierra Nevada in your estate planning. For more information call 775-829-2273.