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Foundation Grants \$120K for Dental Care in Irving

The Board of Directors for the Irving Healthcare Foundation (IHF) voted in February to grant \$120,000 to Community Dental Care. This grant will fully fund two of the total six dental stations that are set to open soon at the new Irving Health Center.

“We are so pleased to be able to fund these much-needed dental stations,” notes Angela Enright, Chair, IHF Board of Directors. “Access to medical and dental care is a top priority in Irving and IHF is proud to be a partner in making these services available to the community.”

Community Dental Care (CDC) currently operates 10 dental centers in Dallas and Collin counties. Last year, these dental centers served more than 14,500 low-income, uninsured adults and children who required almost 47,000 patient visits to restore dental health. Three of every four CDC’s patients are children under 18 years of age.

“Good dental hygiene begins in childhood, and we are very excited to bring low-cost dental care to the residents of Irving, especially children,” explains Paul Hoffmann, Executive Director of CDC. “The Irving Independent School District reports that tooth pain is the leading cause of absenteeism. We hope that our clinic at the Irving Health Center will help promote good dental health so children can get back to school and focused on their studies.”

Established in 1982, Community Dental Care (formerly Dental Health Programs) is Texas’ largest nonprofit provider of quality, routine and preventative dental care and dental health education to low-income individuals. CDC’s clinics serve children, adults, senior citizens, patients with HIV/AIDS and the homeless. They have partnered with Parkland Health and Hospital System and the Baylor College of Dentistry to offer patients access to specialty care. For more information, visit www.communitydentalcare.org.

IHF is a public charity that raises funds and then disburses grants with a vision of creating a healthier Irving. Baylor Medical Center at Irving, the city's only nonprofit hospital, is the foundation's primary beneficiary. Other recipients include Our Children's House at Irving, a therapy and childcare facility for children with special medical needs and the Irving Interfaith Clinic, a volunteer physician-led clinic which provides low-cost primary medical care to residents of Irving. More information is available at www.irvinghealthcare.org.

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