

KOMEN MARYLAND GRANT RECIPIENTS 2011-2012

Cecil County Health Department (\$71,898) **Just Us! A Community Legacy for Breast Cancer Screening Grant**

Provides breast cancer screening services and direct supportive and patient navigation services for women being treated for breast cancer. A client-oriented Community Outreach Campaign will include post-cards, pamphlets and fliers which will provide benefits of breast cancer screening and local resources.

Center for a Healthy Maryland, Inc., MedChi (\$39,591)* **Improving Breast Cancer Screening and Compliance: Education for the Provider Community**

Promotes appropriate breast cancer screening for women in Baltimore City and Baltimore County through education for the provider community. Provides physicians with techniques and tools to improve their ability to perform preventive screenings for breast cancer.

Chase Brexton Health Services, Inc (\$76,500) **CARES (Cancer Awareness, Resources, Exams and Screenings)**

Provides wellness care and screening services to low-income, uninsured women. Increases the number of women that receive annual mammograms and clinical breast exam screenings and provides targeted outreach and education to medically underserved, minority (including GLBT, African American, and HIV-infected) women.

Franklin Square Hospital (\$74,525) **Survivors Offering Support (SOS)**

Provides a menu of peer to peer support services including on site hospital sponsored mentoring programs and Transition to Wellness Workshops at Franklin Square, Frederick Memorial, Harbor, Howard County General, LifeBridge Health (Sinai and Northwest) Hospitals and St. Joseph Medical Center. Survivor interaction with patients compliments current navigator programs and provides a heightened focus on the patients' emotional needs.

Harbor Hospital Foundation (\$123,219)* **Baltimore City MedStar Hospitals Community Collaborative to Improve Breast Health**

Three MedStar Hospitals (Harbor, Union Memorial and Good Samaritan) in Baltimore City will provide comprehensive outreach, education, screening, diagnosis and follow-up services. Through outreach at churches, community events, health fairs and senior living complexes, over the two year grant period, 5,000 women will be educated and 900 women will receive a screening mammogram.

Health Partners, Inc. (\$85,000) **Improving Breast Health of the Uninsured/Underinsured Women of Charles County**

Provides breast health education and clinical breast exams to 400 uninsured/underinsured women through community outreach projects. Partner with Civista Medical Center and Radiology Imaging Associates to provide 250 women screening and diagnostic mammograms.

Howard County Health Department (\$85,000) **Bicultural Patient Advocacy and Breast Cancer Services Project**

Aims to decrease disparities in breast cancer screening, diagnosis and treatment for low-income, medically underserved ethnic minority women with limited English proficiency. Bicultural patient advocates work with nurse case managers to educate women about breast cancer screening, dispel myths about breast cancer, and link clients to screening services.

MAC Inc. (\$74,200) **Life After Breast Cancer: Return to Independence**

Provides direct access for survivors living on the rural Eastern Shore who are underserved, to treatment that enables return to functional independence and improvement in quality of life. Forty-four survivors will receive ten weeks of Acupuncture followed by twelve weeks of Aqua Therapy and/or land based exercise.

Mercy Medical Center (\$75,000) **Be Well Stay Healthy: Programs for Breast Cancer Survivors, Families, and Women at Risk**

Provides holistic group-based psycho-educational support programs for breast cancer survivors, family members, and women at increased risk of breast cancer due to a strong family history or a known BRCA1/2 mutation. Expanded offerings to women with metastatic disease and the growing number of women diagnosed with ductal carcinoma in situ. Offers programs where children and teens can share concerns in a supportive yet relaxed and fun environment.

Meritus Healthcare Foundation (\$100,000) **Washington County Hospital Make a Difference Project**

Provides breast health services to uninsured and underinsured women in rural Washington County. Conducts 42 breast care clinics annually at strategic locations throughout the county to educate women and provide clinical breast exams and mammograms to uninsured and low-income women.

Moveable Feast, Inc. (\$75,000) **Providing meals to women in treatment for breast cancer and their families**

Prepares and delivers groceries and prepared meals to breast cancer patients who are undergoing treatment, and their families. The purpose of the program is to reduce the emotional, financial, and nutritional challenges for women in treatment and recovery and improving their chances of surviving breast cancer.

Nueva Vida, Support Network for Latinas with Cancer (\$150,000) **Comprehensive Support Program for Latinas with Breast Cancer**

Provides outreach activities and promotes awareness to encourage Latina women in the Baltimore metropolitan area to get annual clinical breast exams and screening mammograms. Bilingual, bicultural patient navigators, along with transportation, childcare, peer support, and mental health services, are among the services offered by NV.

Shore Health System (\$67,536) **Expanding Breast Health Services on the Mid-Shore**

Provides breast cancer screening, diagnosis, and treatment to 250 under or uninsured women who are under 40, 65 and older, or Latina. Case management will be provided for all; those with abnormal findings will be treated in the Shore Regional Breast Center (SRBC) breast problem clinic.

St. Mary's Hospital (\$33,349) **Pink Ribbon Project**

Provides breast care services to financially eligible women in St. Mary's, Charles, and Calvert Counties. Women who qualify are those who are under 40 years of age, uninsured, and are symptomatic or have a significant family history of breast cancer.

The Pro Bono Counseling Project (\$71,914) **Beyond Breast Cancer**

Provides free mental health treatment, links to support services in the community and transportation to therapy appointments for uninsured and low-income breast cancer survivors and their caregivers/family members, during any phase of their cancer from diagnosis to post-treatment or survivorship.

The Red Devils (\$85,000) **Supporting Maryland Breast Cancer Families**

Provides essential support services for breast cancer patients and their families living or being treated in Maryland. Funds roundtrip treatment transportation, meals and groceries, house cleanings, prescription and medical equipment co-payments, complementary therapies, and emergency living expenses. Patients are referred through network of 31 hospitals.

University of Maryland Medical System Foundation (\$149,905) **Make a Difference: Changing Baltimore's West Side Story**

Provides breast health education and screening to address disparities for uninsured women in the 21216 zip code of West Baltimore. The objectives of this program are to reach women with breast health information, provide free screenings for breast cancer and to provide case management to all women with abnormal findings.

University of Maryland, School of Nursing (\$204,738) **The Komen Maryland Affiliate Nursing Partnership: Advancing Education and Practice**

The goal of the Partnership is to heighten the awareness, knowledge, and skills of nursing students and other health professionals about the state of the science concerning the prevention, screening, diagnosis, treatment and survivorship of people with breast cancer. Expansion to the UMB Schools of Social Work and Pharmacy as well as Coppin, Bowie and Salisbury State Universities continues.

Wicomico County Health Department (\$75,000) **Closing the Gap: Hispanic Women and Breast Cancer**

Provides culturally appropriate education, outreach and referrals and breast cancer screening to rural Hispanic women in Wicomico, Somerset, and Worcester Counties. A Hispanic outreach worker and an interpreter locate, educate, and enroll participants and also provide case management services such as interpretation, translation and transportation.

Clinical Trial Enrollment (CTE) Grants

CTE Grants encourage participation in clinical trials. These grants allow programs to expand clinical trial offerings, educate providers and patients regarding the benefits of trial participation, and increase enrollment. Five medical institutions receive CTE funds:

- **Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine (\$75,000)**
- **Mercy Medical Center (\$74,987)**
- **Peninsula Regional Medical Center (\$74,956)**
- **Shore Regional Cancer Center (\$52,004)**
- **The University of Maryland Marlene & Stewart Greenebaum Cancer Center (\$75,000)**

*New Grant Program