

## **Saint Vincent Hospital - FY2005**

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### **Summary Narratives**

#### **Community Benefits Mission Statement**

Saint Vincent Hospital's Board of Trustees-approved Mission Statement reads, in part, "to participate in the creation of healthier lives within the community." To fulfill this mission, the hospital works collaboratively with other community organizations to identify the health needs of people in the community. Saint Vincent meets these needs by systematically allocating resources to develop and support programs and services that effectively improve the health and well being of the community.

#### **Program Organization and Management**

Oversight for the Saint Vincent Hospital Community Benefits Program is the responsibility of the Hospital's Board of Trustees. The Community Benefits Committee of the Board of Trustees oversees the development and implementation of the Community Benefits Plan. The Committee is chaired by a consumer representative of the community, who is also a member of the Hospital's Board. The committee was staffed by a Hospital employee who reported directly to the Hospital President and CEO. Other members of the committee include community members who represent different constituencies, as well as another member of the Board. Committee recommendations are reported to the hospital Board of trustees for approval.

Information on Community Benefits programs is shared with hospital employees through the bi-weekly employee newsletter, InPulse. For the external community, press releases are sent to local daily and weekly newspaper. All activities are reported to the Board of Trustees.

#### **Key Collaborations and Partnerships**

The following is a list of members of Saint Vincent Hospital's Community Benefits Committee:

- Sheilah Dooley, Chair, Saint Vincent Hospital Board of Trustees Member, Executive Director of Pernet Family Health Service
- Stephen Burke, CFO, Family Health Center
- John Hess, VP, Planning and Development, Greta Brook Valley Health Center
- Lisa Piehler, Executive Director, American Red Cross of Central Massachusetts
- Elizabeth Rodriguez, Supervisor, Interpreter Services, Saint Vincent Hospital
- Monsignor Edmond Tinsley, Saint Vincent Hospital Board of Trustees Member, Roman Catholic Diocese of Worcester
- Carlton Watson, Executive Director, Henry Lee Willis Community Center

The Community Benefits Committee implements the Community Benefits Plan by:

- Developing the Community Benefits mission statement
- Evaluating the health requirements of the community and recommending initiatives
- Soliciting community participation in the development of initiatives
- Evaluating community programs
- Ensuring volunteer involvement
- Reviewing, recommending and monitoring Free Care policies
- Reviewing the annual report of Community Benefits submitted to the Attorney General's Office

#### **[Community Health Needs Assessment](#)**

To help determine community needs, the Community Benefits Committee agreed to be guided by the findings and recommendations from the Common Pathways, (CHNA 8) "Healthy Communities" initiative, and the results of requests for proposals.

#### **[Community Benefits Plan](#)**

The Hospital's Community Benefits Committee agreed that its Community Benefits Plan would be guided by the assessment of community needs conducted by Common Pathways and its recommendations. Common Pathways organized itself and initiated planning for, but did not conclude this process in the period January 1- June 30, 2005. As a result, and given the abbreviated fiscal year, the Committee decided to roll its FY 05 community benefit budget into FY 2006.

### Key Accomplishments of Reporting Year

#### Health Education

In addition to events such as the National Cancer Survivors Day, and the Healthy Heart Fair, Saint Vincent Hospital offered a number of health education programs.

#### Booster Buddy Program

Staff in the Center for Women and Infants work with volunteers from the RSVP program to educate mothers regarding immunizations and Hepatitis B.

#### Childbirth Education

Childbirth Education programs are provided for prospective parents who will deliver at Saint Vincent Hospital.

#### Community Education

Fifty-two community education programs involving injury prevention, child passenger safety, and trauma and airbag safety were presented throughout the community.

### Plans for Next Reporting Year

On an annual basis, the Community Benefits Committee will determine project expenditures for the next reporting year. Community Benefits initiatives will be based on data from the RFPs, input from Common Pathways "Healthy Communities" initiative and other indicator data.

### Select Community Benefits Programs

#### National Cancer Survivor's Day

<b>Brief Description or Objective</b>	Co-sponsored by Saint Vincent Hospital and Fallon Clinic. Cancer survivors, caregivers, health professionals, friends and family members celebrated life after cancer. Included speakers, educational materials, giveaways and a luncheon.
<b>Program Type</b>	Community Education
<b>Target Population</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Regions Served:</b> County - Worcester</li> <li>• <b>Health Indicator:</b> Other: Cancer</li> <li>• <b>Sex:</b> All</li> <li>• <b>Age Group:</b> Adult</li> <li>• <b>Ethnic Group:</b> Not Specified</li> <li>• <b>Language:</b> Not Specified</li> </ul>
<b>Partners</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fallon Clinic</li> </ul>
<b>Contact Information</b>	Dennis Irish Director, Managed Care and Marketing Saint Vincent Hospital 20 Worcester Center Boulevard Worcester, MA 01608 Phone: 508-363-9394
<b>Detailed Description</b>	Not Specified

## Healthy Heart Fair

<b>Brief Description or Objective</b>	Provided an opportunity to learn more about heart health and heart disease prevention. Included free health screenings, lectures, demonstrations, health information and giveaways.
<b>Program Type</b>	Prevention
<b>Target Population</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Regions Served:</b>County-Worcester</li><li>• <b>Health Indicator:</b>Other: Cardiac Disease</li><li>• <b>Sex:</b>All</li><li>• <b>Age Group:</b>Adult</li><li>• <b>Ethnic Group:</b>Not Specified</li><li>• <b>Language:</b>Not Specified</li></ul>
<b>Partners</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fallon Clinic and the Fallon Clinic Foundation Lifetime Center</li></ul>
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<b>Detailed Description</b>	Not Specified

## Booster Buddy Program

<b>Brief Description or Objective</b>	Staff in the Center for Women and Infants work with volunteers from the RSVP program to educate mothers regarding immunizations and Hepatitis B.
<b>Program Type</b>	Community Education
<b>Target Population</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Regions Served:</b>County-Worcester</li><li>• <b>Health Indicator:</b>Immunization</li><li>• <b>Sex:</b>All</li><li>• <b>Age Group:</b>All Children</li><li>• <b>Ethnic Group:</b>Hispanic/Latino</li><li>• <b>Language:</b>Not Specified</li></ul>
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<b>Detailed Description</b>	Not Specified

## Childbirth Education

<b>Brief Description or Objective</b>	Childbirth Education programs are provided for prospective parents who will deliver at Saint Vincent Hospital.
<b>Program Type</b>	Community Education

<b>Target Population</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Regions Served:</b>County -Worcester</li> <li>• <b>Health Indicator:</b>Other: Pregnancy</li> <li>• <b>Sex:</b>Female</li> <li>• <b>Age Group:</b>Adult</li> <li>• <b>Ethnic Group:</b>Hispanic/Latino</li> <li>• <b>Language:</b>Not Specified</li> </ul>
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<b>Detailed Description</b>	Not Specified

### Injury Prevention

<b>Brief Description or Objective</b>	Fifty-two community education programs involving injury prevention, child passenger safety, and trauma and airbag safety were presented throughout the community.
<b>Program Type</b>	Community Education
<b>Target Population</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Regions Served:</b>County -Worcester</li> <li>• <b>Health Indicator:</b>Injury and Violence</li> <li>• <b>Sex:</b>All</li> <li>• <b>Age Group:</b>Not Specified</li> <li>• <b>Ethnic Group:</b>Not Specified</li> <li>• <b>Language:</b>Not Specified</li> </ul>
<b>Partners</b>	Not Specified
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<b>Detailed Description</b>	Not Specified

<b>Program Type</b>	<b>Estimated Total Expenditures for FY2005</b>	<b>Approved Program Budget for 2006</b>
Community Benefits Programs	<a href="#">Direct Expenses</a> Not Specified <a href="#">Associated Expenses</a> Not Specified <a href="#">Determination of Need Expenditures</a> Not Specified <a href="#">Employee Volunteerism</a> Not Specified <a href="#">Other Leveraged Resources</a> Not Specified	Not Specified  * Excluding expenditures that cannot be projected at the time of the report.
Community Service Programs	<a href="#">Direct Expenses</a> \$3,100 <a href="#">Associated Expenses</a> Not Specified	

	<a href="#">Determination of Need Expenditures</a>	Not Specified	
	<a href="#">Employee Volunteerism</a>	Not Specified	
	<a href="#">Other Leveraged Resources</a>	Not Specified	
Net Charity Care		\$1,106,725	
Corporate Sponsorships		\$8,200	
	<b>Total Expenditures</b>	\$1,118,025	
<b>Total Patient Care-Related Expenses for FY2005</b>			Not Specified
Comments: None			