

GRANT OVERVIEW

GRANTS AWARDED FY14
9/1/2013 – 6/30/2014

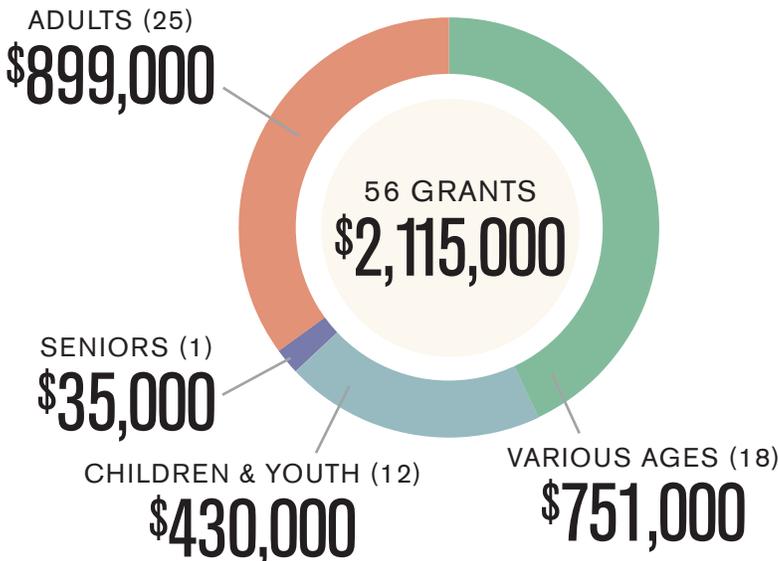
56 GRANTS \$2,115,000 + 2 SPECIAL INITIATIVES \$175,000

DEMOGRAPHICS

VNA Foundation responds to the needs of metro-Chicago's underserved communities. Our grants are awarded across populations, but we specifically avoid "pre-allocating" our grantmaking portfolio, to allow us to remain as fluid as possible and ready to respond to the often fast-changing needs and priorities of our grantee partners.

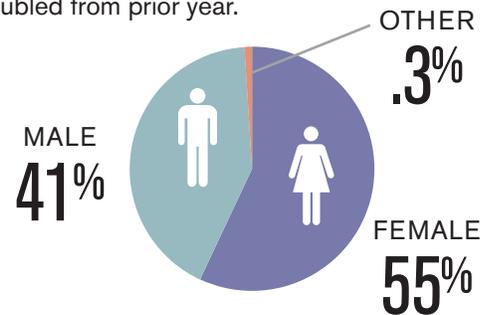
GRANTS BY POPULATION

VNA grantmaking supports the disenfranchised. With most children now covered by Medicaid, more than two-thirds of recent VNA grants supported healthcare services for adults and people of various ages – primarily the working poor and those who remain uninsured despite ACA implementation.



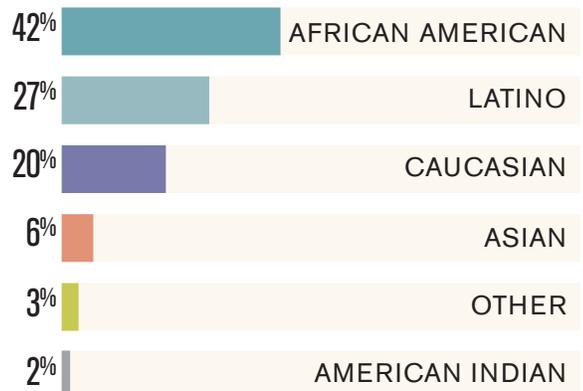
GRANTS BY GENDER

VNA grants awarded to agencies that serve gender non-conforming people more than doubled from prior year.



GRANTS BY ETHNICITY

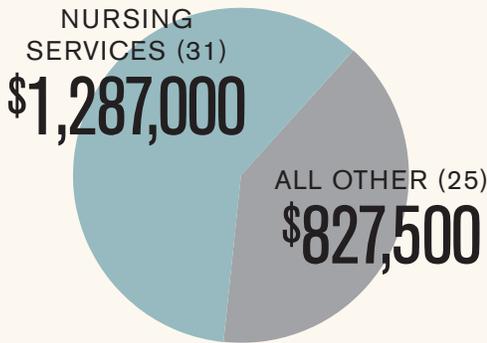
All grants awarded by VNA support services for medically underserved populations, many of whom are impacted by racial disparities.



SERVICES

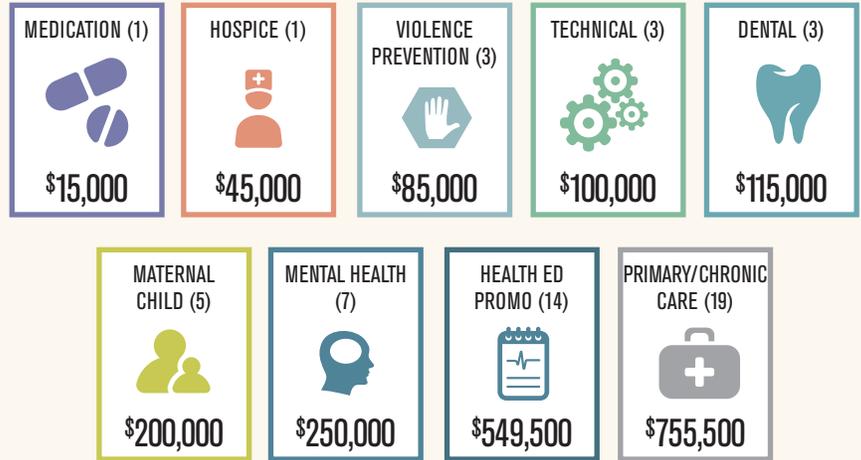
NURSING SERVICES

The needs of medically underserved persons are varied, yet just as in the days when VNA was a service provider sending nurses into the homes of those in need, many health issues today are still best addressed through nursing services.



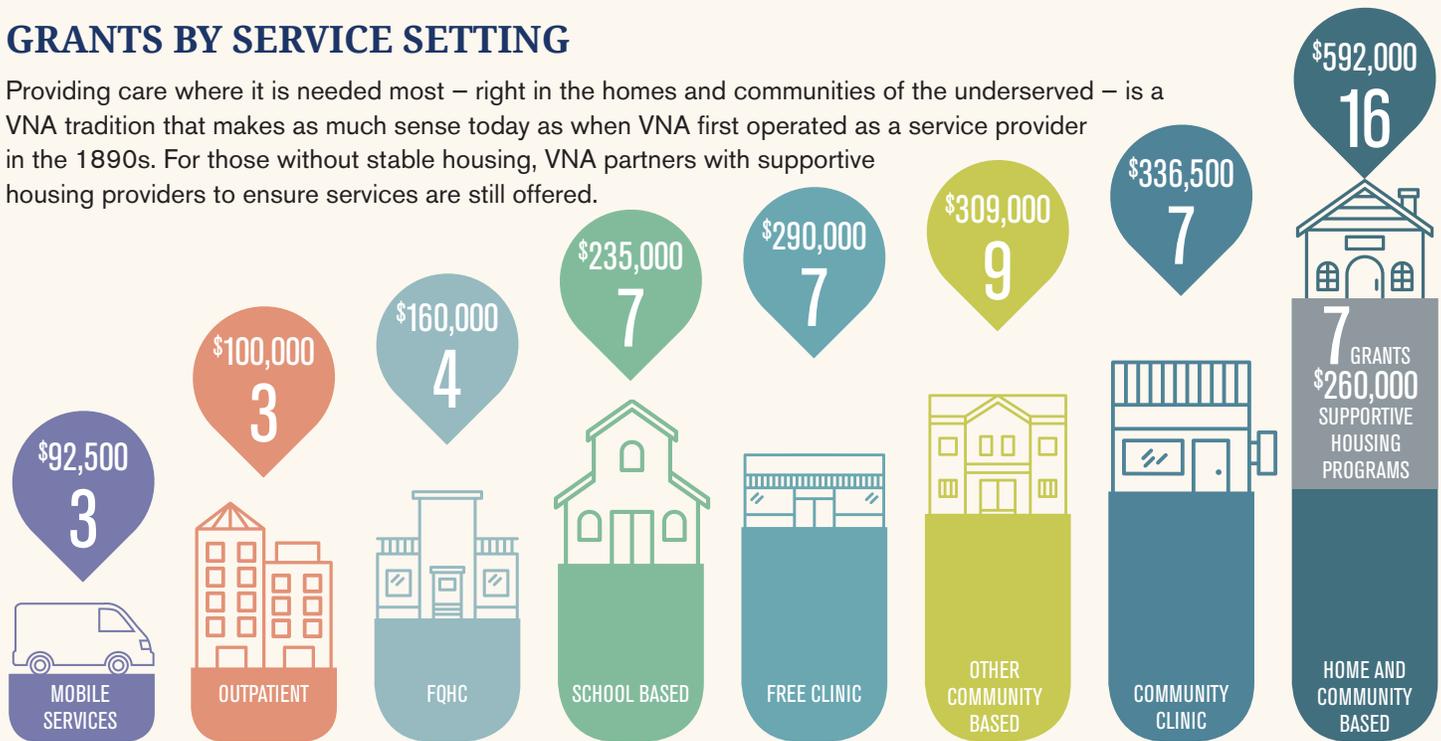
GRANTS BY SERVICE PROVIDED

VNA grants awarded for mental health and health promotion services increased by 71% and 21%, respectively.



GRANTS BY SERVICE SETTING

Providing care where it is needed most – right in the homes and communities of the underserved – is a VNA tradition that makes as much sense today as when VNA first operated as a service provider in the 1890s. For those without stable housing, VNA partners with supportive housing providers to ensure services are still offered.



GRANTS BY TYPE OF SUPPORT

VNA recognizes that sometimes the most effective grants are ones that provide general operating support. About 9% of VNA grants awarded over the past 3 years were for general operating purposes. We look forward to expanding our grantmaking in support of general operating and capacity building to best address the needs of our grantee partners.



GEOGRAPHY

GRANTS BY GEOGRAPHIC AREAS

As impoverished populations have spread from the city to the suburbs, so have VNA grants in support of healthcare services for the underserved. Grants awarded to agencies that serve clients city-wide decreased by 5 percentage points from last year and grants to city- and suburban-serving agencies increased at a corresponding rate.

NORTH

\$380,500

10

CHICAGO CITY WIDE
\$830,000

WEST

\$150,000

5

20

3

SOUTH
\$140,000



CITY & SUBURBS
\$419,500



SUBURBS /
COLLAR COUNTIES
\$195,000



LESSONS LEARNED

ACA AND MEDICAID EXPANSION: A Good Start but Still a Long Journey Ahead

“Obtaining Medicaid used to be a cause for rejoicing here, but there have been some unintended consequences... the number of practices and providers taking Medicaid has not expanded, making a capacity issue even worse. What has happened is that many of our patients are no longer eligible to come [to our free clinic], but cannot find another provider.”

“While we are strongly supportive of the [ACA] and the Medicaid expansion, free and charitable clinics need to continue to be nimble and be able to identify those who are still in need in the community. These may be the most difficult to reach, and may be some of our hardest patients. But the need for the free and charitable clinics continues to be felt, and we must evolve to meet the changing demands of those who would otherwise go without care.”

– Suzanne Hoban, *Family Health Partnership Clinic*

THE FUTURE IS NOW: Trauma-Informed Services, Healthcare Access are Key Potentiators for Underserved Children

“Trauma is a very pervasive and common issue present in intensive home visiting programs, as many families qualify for services specifically because of existing levels of high stress, limited resources and negative relationship experiences.”

Additionally, adversities that impact the well-being of our children are also relevant to their educational experiences, and ultimately their futures. “The major health challenges that impact Chicago’s Public Schools students have been compounded by poverty, environment and access to care. These factors shape home and school experiences to a huge degree; they influence what families are able to provide, and what social and educational capital schools are able to draw from to supplement classroom teaching.”

– Ebony Harris, *Children’s Home & Aid Society of Illinois*
– Nora Garcia, *Communities in Schools of Chicago*

CHANGE IS IN THE AIR: Reactive, Responsive Programming Now Necessary for Greatest Impact

“As our society changes and is able to provide for the community in a more broad fashion, agencies like ours need to be adept at adapting to those changing conditions. Our program has been affected by the Affordable Care Act, which is ultimately a good result. We will continue to provide [prescription assistance and other services] but we won’t need to do so at the same level. In the meantime, we must be prepared to meet the health needs of our clients in different ways.”

– Carl Wolf, *Respond Now*

AGENCIES RENEWED

\$75K



\$60K



\$55K



\$50K



\$45K



\$40K



\$30K



\$25K



\$20K



Pilsen Homeless Services



\$10K

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OUR MISSION

Our mission today is the same as it was in 1890: To support home- and community-based healthcare for the medically underserved in the Chicago metropolitan area.

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