The David and Lucile Packard Foundation

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Founded in 1964, The David and Lucile Packard Foundation is a family foundation guided by the business philosophy and personal values of Lucile and David Packard, who helped establish Hewlett-Packard, one of the world’s earliest technology companies. Today, their children and grandchildren continue to help guide the work of the foundation, focusing on issues its founders cared about most: improving the lives of children, enabling the creative pursuit of science, advancing reproductive health, and conserving and restoring the earth’s natural systems. Since its inception, the foundation has supported organizations and leaders working to protect and restore ecosystems for a world where all families can plan for their children and all children to reach their potential.

The foundation works in many different types of communities at the local, national, and international levels. Its grantmaking serves communities ranging from local counties in California to countries in Sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia.

Program Information: The David and Lucile Packard Foundation focuses its programming in six areas:
• conservation and science;
• population and reproductive health;
• children, families, and communities;
• local grantmaking;
• organizational effectiveness; and
• program-related investments/health priorities (including increasing children’s enrollment in public health insurance programs and access to reproductive health services for women and girls in the United States and targeted international regions).

Financial Information:
Total Assets: $5.5 billion (FY 2011)
Amount Dedicated to Health-Related Grants: $6 million not including grants for reproductive health (FY 2011)

Special Initiatives and/or Representative Health and Human Services Grants:
• Insuring America’s Children: Getting to the Finish Line Grantmaking Strategy – This initiative is providing policy and technical support to advocacy organizations in 12 states that are well-positioned to provide health insurance coverage to more children (approximately $2 million).
• MomsRising – This program aims to educate and engage families and diverse voices at the national and state levels in support of children’s health insurance coverage and in implementation of the federal health care law ($250,000).
• Center for Health Policy Development – This grant provides for technical assistance, policy analysis, and research to support state efforts to expand health insurance coverage for children and families ($500,000).
• America’s Promise: The Alliance for Youth – Funding supports policy analysis and communications on children’s health insurance and the federal budget ($400,000).
• Center on Budget and Policy Priorities – This grant supports policy analysis and technical assistance to states looking to increase rates of children’s health insurance coverage, particularly with respect to implementation questions related to the Affordable Care Act ($500,000).

Most Pressing Health and Human Services Issues:
“Guided by the values and the interests of our founders, The David and Lucile Packard Foundation has been a longtime supporter of healthy people and healthy environments. We believe that children deserve to grow up in places that support their health and their education in ways that really help them succeed over the long term. Our work to get more children the health insurance they need to thrive is characterized by innovative communications and a long-term commitment to policy goals.”

Carol Larson
President and CEO