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**Colorado Springs Health Foundation approves \$582,282 in grants to address child maltreatment-related trauma in El Paso and Teller Counties**

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO -- The Colorado Springs Health Foundation Board of Trustees recently approved \$582,282 in grants to nine organizations serving El Paso and/or Teller Counties. These grants address the prevention or healing of child maltreatment-related trauma. El Paso and Teller Counties have higher rates of child abuse and neglect than the rest of the state, and trauma, especially child maltreatment-related trauma, is linked to a host of life-long health concerns. Here is a list of grant awards:

Organization Name	Program or Project Name	Amount Funded
Community Partnership Family Resource Center	Strengthening Families Services	50,000
Court Care of the Pikes Peak Region	General Operating	7,500
Fostering Hope	General Operating	40,000
Joint Initiatives for Youth & Families	Preventing & Healing Child Maltreatment	138,523
Kidpower of Colorado	General Operating	50,000
Lutheran Family Services of the Rocky Mountains	KPC Respite Center	25,000
TESSA	Children's Play Therapy	79,000
TwoCor	General Operating	96,000
UCCS	Veterans Health & Trauma Clinic	96,259
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$582,282</b>

Year-to-date, Colorado Springs Health Foundation has awarded just under \$4 million in grants to support improved health within the Pikes Peak region.

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**About Colorado Springs Health Foundation**

The Colorado Springs Health Foundation was established in 2012 through the City of Colorado Springs's lease of Memorial Health System to UHealth. The Foundation's mission is to provide grants that target immediate healthcare needs and encourage healthy living. Approximately \$12 million in grants have been awarded or committed since inception, and grantmaking started in 2016.