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**Saint Luke's Foundation Grants More Than \$1.3 Million; Funding Supports  
Public Health Initiatives and Capital Projects**

*Grants also provide operating support for new and existing programs and services*

CLEVELAND, October 8, 2010 -- The Board of Trustees of the Saint Luke's Foundation ([www.saintlukesfoundation.org](http://www.saintlukesfoundation.org)) has approved its third quarter grants for 2010, with thirteen organizations receiving more than \$1.3 million for public health, education and other capacity building projects.

“The economic downturn has impacted nonprofit organizations and people in a variety of ways. Many of this quarter's grantees embody some thoughtful approaches to coping with economic difficulty; education for individuals in our community and collaboration among service organizations,” said Denise San Antonio Zeman, President and CEO of Saint Luke's Foundation.

LaTida Smith, Senior Program Officer for Community Grants, added “the capital requests in this pool of grants are very much an extension of our ongoing focus on organizations that provide basic needs and core direct services to vulnerable populations.” The Foundation shifted its focus slightly in 2009 to reflect these basic community needs.

**Recovery Resources** received \$90,000 to support its merger with Spectrum of Supportive Resources, a collaboration that shows a deep commitment to serving the mentally ill. In another example of collaboration, a \$65,000 grant went to **Project: Learn** for a literacy program representing collaboration between Reading Health and the Visiting Nurse Association.

Two of the grants will be used toward capital building projects. **Positive Education Program** received \$250,000 toward their new Autism Center. **The Cleveland Hearing and Speech Center** also

received \$250,000 for their new building campaign. These new facilities will greatly enhance both organizations' abilities to serve.

Additionally, and in the spirit of its "Make It Stick" communications capacity building program, Saint Luke's Foundation is excited to award \$55,871 to **UHCAN Ohio**. This grant will bolster efforts to build the organizations' communications capacity and through that, expand the capability of Northeast Ohio healthcare consumers. With more healthcare reforms being implemented all the time, it is critical for the voice of consumers to be consistent, frequent and clear so that reforms benefit all stakeholders.

***The following list represents the complete 2010 third grant-making cycle of 2010:***

Business Volunteers Unlimited	\$85,000	Capacity Building Services to Nonprofits
Center for Families and Children	\$100,000	Operating Support
Central School of Practical Nursing	\$38,235	Updating Laboratory Equipment
Cleveland Hearing & Speech Center	\$250,000	Capital Building Support
Helen Keller International, Inc.	\$50,000	ChildSight® Program
HELP Foundation, Inc.	\$50,000	Supportive Housing for Disabled Adults
Northeast Ohio Neighborhood Health Services, Inc.	\$150,000	Operating Support for NEON Program
Positive Education Program	\$250,000	Capital Building Support
Project: LEARN	\$65,000	Health Literacy: Reading Health and VNA
Providence House, Inc.	\$75,000	Operating Support and Evaluation
Recovery Resources	\$90,000	Support for Merger with Spectrum
Transitional Housing Inc.	\$44,250	Renovation of Housing Units
UHCAN Ohio	\$55,871	Communications Support

**About Saint Luke's Foundation of Cleveland, Ohio**

With more than 13 years of grant making in the community, Saint Luke's Foundation of Cleveland is a community-based private foundation that collaborates with nonprofit organizations and community

leaders to address relevant issues and offer sustainable solutions in Greater Cleveland. The organization's mission is focused on improving the health and well-being of individuals, families, and communities. Since 1997, when it was established with the assets from the sale of the Saint Luke's Medical Center, the Foundation has awarded more than \$70 million in grants in Mt. Pleasant, Buckeye-Larchmere, Woodland Hills, and other neighborhoods in Greater Cleveland and throughout Northeast Ohio. Additional information on the work of Saint Luke's Foundation is available on the Foundation's Web site: [www.saintlukesfoundation.org](http://www.saintlukesfoundation.org).

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