

## Services for Individuals with Disabilities

Consistent with our primary funding focus, the Golisano Foundation supported a wide range of programs for individuals with disabilities - a self-help support group, alternative learning environments and educational techniques, adaptive equipment, and recreational opportunities. All funded programs share the Foundation's goal of providing services in an environment that emphasizes the dignity of every person, and creating opportunities for people with disabilities to be part of their general communities.

### Adoption Resource Network

\$10,000 for adoption/foster care conference

### Al Sigl Center

\$140,000 to support "A Gathering of Hearts Partnership Campaign"

### Alfred University

\$10,000 for enhanced services/building renovations for students with disabilities

### American Diabetes Association

\$2,000 for summer camperships

### ARC of Monroe County

\$75,000 to support family enhancement projects

### Arthritis Foundation (Upstate NY Chapter)

\$17,500 to support vocational training for youth with juvenile arthritis

### Catholic Family Center

\$29,865 for RecoveryNet - a collaborative project among local drug treatment providers

### Compeer

\$20,000 for a daily living and vocational skills program for mentally ill adults

### Continuing Developmental Services

\$50,000 for the Art & Music Therapy Program

### Daniel & Friends Summer Camp

\$5,000 for a summer camp for children who stutter

### Eastman Dental/Monroe2-Orleans BOCES

\$14,000 for dental services for developmentally disabled individuals

### Genesee Country Village & Museum

\$10,000 to enhance accessibility of trails and exhibits

### Happiness House(Finger Lakes United Cerebral Palsy)

\$10,000 for upgrade to agency phone system

### Health Association

\$20,000 to support services for the chemically dependent

### Heritage Christian Home

\$131,000 for Equestrian Riding Academy for the developmentally disabled

### Hope Hall

\$50,000 for renovation of school building for disabled children

### Ibero-American Action League

\$50,000 for building renovations for Day Habilitation Program

### Learning Disabilities Association

\$3,000 to support "Friends Helping Friends" - a self-advocacy group

### Lifetime Assistance

\$100,000 to renovate vocational center and warehouse

\$ 15,000 for the Family Assistance Program

\$200,000 for "Full Circle Careers in Caring" - a multi-media staff recruitment campaign



Independence

### Literacy Volunteers of America

\$3,400 for teaching basic literacy through alternative learning methods

### Monroe Community Hospital

\$15,000 for wheelchair equipped bus

### Rochester Children's Nursery

\$100,000 for renovations to pre-school special education center

\$ 15,000 for Inclusion Consultant for special needs pre-schoolers

### Rochester Rehabilitation Center

\$25,000 for adaptive equipment for driver training program

\$10,000 for SportsNet - a recreation pro-



Self-determination

## Education/Prevention

Education and learning takes many forms - from the more traditional institutes of higher education to community based programs that strengthen and support families. Last year, the Golisano Foundation supported a variety of "educational" programs designed to enhance individual achievement, teach new skills, and help young people make positive, healthy choices.

### Arts & Cultural Council for Greater Rochester

\$2,000 to fund summer employment training program for youth apprentices

### Big Brothers/Big Sisters

\$8,000 for prevention services for at-risk youth

### CASA - Court Appointed Special Advocates

\$3,000 to fund support for Peer Volunteer Advisor

### Catholic Family Center

\$10,000 for substance abuse prevention for children of abusers

### Center for Youth Services

\$10,000 for emergency shelter repairs

### Partners in Community Development

\$5,000 to support Project Earn - a youth development program

### Prevention Partners

\$2,000 to fund youth drug prevention conference

### Rochester Grantmakers Forum

\$10,000 for Rochester Effectiveness Partnership

\$ 5,000 for WILLpower, an educational program for planned giving

### South East Area Coalition

\$2,000 to support Team 2001 - a summer youth employment program

## Helping Those in Need

The Foundation funded a variety of programs providing assistance to individuals and families in the community. The programs share the Golisano Foundation's goal of helping individuals grow and develop their full potential and lead healthy, productive lives.

### Catholic Family Center

\$20,000 for computer equipment

### Family Service of Rochester

\$15,000 for computer upgrade for medical records system

### FOODLINK (Shared Harvest Center)

\$50,000 to renovate food distribution warehouse

### Interfaith Action

\$30,000 for the "Raise a Roof" initiative promoting home ownership and neighborhood revitalization

### Politics of Food Program

\$5,000 for a food delivery truck

### Rochester Landscape Technician Program

\$5,000 for employment and training program

### Salvation Army - Rochester Area

\$7,000 for camp scholarships for needy children

### Spiritus Christi Prison Outreach

\$10,000 for counseling and support for incarcerated women

### St Joseph's Neighborhood Center

\$10,000 for building renovation and equipment for neighborhood health clinic



Choice

## Senior Services/Health Care

The Golisano Foundation supported several programs designed to help senior citizens remain independent in their homes and comfortable in assisted living arrangements. The Foundation also funded health care services for those who are ill and without support from family or friends.

### AIDS Rochester

\$10,000 to support harm reduction/syringe exchange program

### BENINCASA

\$5,000 to support hospice services for the terminally ill

### Mercy Center with the Aging

\$7,800 for the "Care for the Caregiver" support program

### Serenity House of Victor

\$20,000 for comfort care equipment for the terminally ill

### Sisters of Mercy

\$10,000 for equipment upgrade

### Sisters of St Josephs

\$11,000 for Sisters Care - a home health service for the elderly and disabled

Our lives are enriched every day by programs and services provided by nonprofit organizations in our community. All involved in the field of philanthropy are concerned with how best to support the wonderful work going on in the nonprofit community. The Golisano Foundation is no exception.

Like the rest of the world, the nonprofit world is changing. These changes present both opportunities and challenges. The Foundation believes that the job of running a nonprofit organization is getting more complicated. Increasingly, we look to human service providers for innovation solutions to solve complex social problems. To respond effectively, nonprofit leaders today must be especially enterprising. They must look at what makes good business sense and what fulfills the organization's social mission.

The future vitality of the nonprofit community depends on strong collaborative partnerships among the nonprofit community, philanthropic community and business community.

Together, we can create and support innovative endeavors that move beyond the traditional boundaries and social service techniques. Together, we must ensure that nonprofit organizations become the vehicles that will take our communities and program participants into the future.

The Golisano Foundation recognizes that effective philanthropy requires partnership. We're proud of our partners, their devotion and commitment to sustainable results.



Dream a little...

Live a lot...

## About the Golisano Foundation

### Purpose

The Golisano Foundation seeks to be a proactive partner with providers, organizations and the community to create an environment of dignity and care for those in need, particularly disabled individuals and their families.

The Golisano Foundation is primarily interested in funding programs that will have a long lasting, positive impact in the area of disabilities. The Foundation's definition of "disability" is quite broad, covering a wide range of conditions and circumstances including persons with developmental disabilities, mental illness, learning disabilities, neurological disorders and health related conditions.

### Primary Funding Interests

The Foundation's financial resources will be targeted to:

- Programs and initiatives that result in long lasting, positive impact in the area of disabilities.
- Programs that create opportunities for people with disabilities to be part of the typical communities and have choices about the nature and level of participation in those communities.
- Programs that help people with disabilities achieve their maximum potential through increased self-determination, independence, productivity and integration in all facets of life.
- Innovative endeavors in the disabilities field, driven by the spirit and characteristics of social entrepreneurship. (Contact Foundation office for more detailed information).

**Other Funding Interests** With limited and targeted funds, the Foundation will consider funding a program in a field other than disabilities if it demonstrates positive results. Applicants should call the Foundation office for further clarification.

**Geographical Distribution of Grants** Primarily, the Rochester Metropolitan Area. Grants may be considered for programs in surrounding counties addressing the Foundation's primary funding interest.

**Eligibility/Limitations** Must be a 501© (3) organization whose activities and programs meet the Foundation's philanthropic priority areas. The Golisano Foundation does not generally contribute to endowments, fund raising events, grants to individuals, fellowships, medical research, municipal programs.

### Financial Summary for Fiscal Year 2001

**Total Assets:** Over \$25 million

**Total Grant Distribution:** \$1.5 million (with 80% to disability services)

**Total Number of Grants:** 57

**Largest Grant:** \$200,000      **Smallest Grant:** \$2,000

**Average or Typical Grant Range:** \$10,000 - \$30,000

### Application Procedures

**Initial Approach:** If applicant is confident that request falls within the Foundation's primary area of funding, send a proposal using Common Application Form; otherwise, respective applicants are encouraged to call for further clarification.

**Form of Funding Request:** 2 copies of Common Application Form included in the Guide; 2 copies of most recent audited financial reports. Applicants may be contacted for additional information.

**Personal Conferences Permitted:** Yes, by invitation.

**Proposal Deadlines:** Applications must be received four weeks prior to each board meeting to be considered by the board in that quarter.

**Acknowledgement of Proposal:** Yes

**Board/Committee Meeting Dates:** Quarterly (generally the 4th Wednesday in January, April, July, October).

**Final Notification:** Within two weeks of board meeting.

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