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WORKING FOR WEST VIRGINIANS

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RAHALL ANNOUNCES FUNDS FOR RURAL HEALTH CARE

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- CONGRESSMAN NICK J. RAHALL, II (D-WV) ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (HHS) HAS AWARDED THREE GRANTS TO WEST VIRGINIA'S 4TH DISTRICT TOTALING \$263,505.

PROJECT TIME OUT, A PROGRAM THAT HELPS TROUBLED TEENS GET BACK ON THE RIGHT TRACK, HEADS THE LIST WITH AN AWARD OF \$189,533 FOR ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS AND SALARIES. THE TUG RIVER HEALTH ASSOCIATION ALSO GOT IN ON THE ACT WITH A GRANT OF \$21,892 TO HELP THEM PROVIDE BETTER RURAL HEALTH IN SOUTHERN WEST VIRGINIA, AND THE COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC. RECEIVED \$52,080 TO HELP FUND A COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER WHICH WILL SERVICE RALEIGH AND NORTHEASTERN WYOMING COUNTIES.

"BETTER RURAL HEALTH CARE IS ONE OF THE MOST PRESSING NEEDS IN SOUTHERN WEST VIRGINIA TODAY, AND I CANNOT STRESS STRONGLY ENOUGH HOW MUCH WE MUST PUSH TO INCREASE THE LEVEL OF HEALTH CARE IN THOSE REGIONS WHERE URBAN HEALTH CENTERS ARE NOT THAT ACCESSIBLE," SAID RAHALL.

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