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RAHALL ANNOUNCES \$757,978 FOR RURAL HEALTH CARE

HUNTINGTON, WV -- U.S. Representative Nick Rahall (D-WV) announced today that the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services awarded \$757,978 to the Tug River Health Association in Gary, West Virginia.

This grant is an annual award which Tug River Health Association has received for the past several years, because the association provides basic, outpatient, primary health care to indigent, under-insured, Medicare, & Medicaid patients. This grant money helps cover the portion of the hospital's operating costs for these services which the patient is unable to pay and which is not covered by a third party.

"While this grant will help West Virginians in the Gary area get the health care they need," stated Rahall, "a national health care program is truly what is needed to insure that all West Virginians have access to health care."

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