

Verizon Foundation invests in projects that put innovative technology to work to provide better healthcare services and information to underserved ethnic and geographic populations, diverse age groups and people with disabilities.

WE ARE ADAPTING TECHNOLOGIES TO HELP HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS IMPROVE THEIR ACCURACY, EFFICIENCY AND REACH.

- > *University of Virginia Telemedicine Program* uses innovative workstations to provide clinical and educational outreach services to patients in underserved areas of western Virginia.
- > *Harbor Hospital Foundation Bedside Documentation* puts “computers on wheels” to work at the Henderson, Texas facility to reduce administrative time and improve patient care.
- > *Medical College of Georgia Research Institute* is testing the effectiveness of wireless technology for transmitting electrocardiograms from anywhere in the community.

WE ARE HELPING PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES LIVE PRODUCTIVE, INDEPENDENT LIVES.

- > *California State University – San Bernardino’s Assistive Computing Resource Center (ARCH)* provides access to adaptive technology workstations for people with disabilities so they can access information they need for daily living.
- > *American Foundation for the Blind’s (AFB) Senior Site* teaches aging adults with limited or declining vision and their caretakers how to maintain independent and productive lives (www.afb.org/seniorsite).

VERIZON FOUNDATION IS COMMITTED TO PROVIDING FINANCIAL, HUMAN AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT TO PROGRAMS AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT IMPROVE HEALTHCARE SERVICES AND INFORMATION FOR DIVERSE POPULATIONS.

- > Reliable health information is potentially the single most cost-effective and achievable strategy for sustainable improvement in healthcare. (World Health Organization)
- > Timely access to information helps significantly lower costs and shorten hospital stays. (*Journal of the American Medical Association*)
- > Health, nutrition and population programs often fail to reach those poor people who need them the most. (World Bank report: “Reaching the Poor: What Works, What Doesn’t, and Why”)
- > Approximately 25 percent of the U.S. population lives with some level of disability, and people with disabilities are almost three times more likely to live in poverty than any other group. (World Institute on Disability)

WE ARE IMPROVING ACCESS TO CRITICAL INFORMATION AND SERVICES.

Our focus is on supporting projects that deliver critical information about health issues to people who need it.

- > *Sister to Sister* provides free heart screenings and produces targeted health tips for seniors, African Americans, Hispanics and Asian Americans.
- > *Volunteers of America’s Home Guardian* uses sensor technology to help senior citizens live independently by monitoring their daily routines and sending reports to healthcare providers.
- > *Martha’s Village Medical Clinic*, in Indio, California, provides medical care, psychiatric evaluations and information about injury protection and resources available to help domestic violence victims and their family members.

Find out more about our support for healthcare and accessibility programs.

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