



The promise of a better life.

For immediate release:
February 5, 2009

**\$100,000 DONATED TO ST. DAVID'S COMMUNITY HEALTH FOUNDATION
TO SUPPORT LOCAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS**

AUSTIN, TX – February 5, 2009 – St. David's Community Health Foundation is pleased to announce a generous donation of \$100,000 to support their mission of providing access to health care for all Central Texans.

The contribution, made anonymously by a generous donor, will be directed to Lone Star Circle of Care, an area safety net clinic which provides access to quality health care for uninsured and underinsured Central Texans.

"The work of the safety net clinics such as Lone Star Circle of Care is more important now than ever before," said Earl Maxwell, Chief Executive Officer of the Foundation. "These funds will allow us to lend additional support to partner agencies to improve their ability to provide access to quality health care."

Pete Perialas, Chief Executive Officer of Lone Star Circle of Care said, "As increasing numbers of Central Texans are affected by job loss and cutbacks, the need for our services is growing at an alarming rate. In order to meet this demand, Lone Star Circle of Care has plans for considerable expansion in 2009. This contribution will help us to increase access to primary health care for those in our community who desperately need it."

St. David's Community Health Foundation continues to give financial grants to organizations that increase access to health care, improve health outcomes and provide health-related education to Central Texans. In December 2008, the Foundation awarded \$5.15 million in grants to area nonprofit organizations.

The vision of St. David's Community Health Foundation is to keep the promise of a better life by improving health and health care for all Central Texans. The Foundation's mission is to work with commitment, integrity, and respect to achieve our vision in our hospitals, programs, and community partnerships. For more information on St. David's Community Health Foundation, visit www.sdchf.org.

For more information, contact:
Lisa Trahan, Director of Communications, St. David's Community Health Foundation,
512-879-6612, ltrahan@sdchf.org