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## **CT Hospitals Invested \$1.2 Billion in Community Benefit Initiatives in 2012**

WALLINGFORD – In 2012, Connecticut hospitals invested \$1.2 billion in community benefit initiatives and provided more than 12.3 million services to individuals and families, according to the Connecticut Hospital Association’s [2014 Community Benefit Report](#). These include support services for cancer, diabetes, asthma, and other chronic conditions, mobile vans and clinics delivering primary and preventive care, healthy lifestyle education programs, and many other programs targeted to meet specific community needs. View an infographic [here](#).

In 2012, Connecticut hospitals spent:

- \$52.8 million - community services to improve the health of the community.
- \$26.1 million - research and programs to advance care for patients and the community.
- \$10 million - donations to help support community organizations.
- \$8.4 million - community building.
- \$3.2 million - subsidized health services to provide care needed by the community.\*
- \$222.5 million – incurred cost for uncompensated care.
- \$868.3 million – incurred cost due to unpaid government-sponsored healthcare.

“Hospitals in Connecticut are deeply invested in the health of our communities,” said Jennifer Jackson, President and CEO, CHA. “Connecticut hospitals not only care for the sick, but they also work with their communities to identify and address key health issues people are facing, so they can live healthier, better lives.”

Hospitals in Connecticut have been conducting community health needs assessments, frequently working collaboratively with local public health and community partners. The assessments are providing valuable information that is helping hospitals develop strategies to effectively address community health issues.

\* Most subsidized health services funds are reflected in the “unpaid costs of government programs” numbers.

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### **About CHA**

The Connecticut Hospital Association has been dedicated to serving Connecticut’s hospitals since 1919. Through state and federal advocacy, CHA represents the interests of Connecticut’s hospitals on key healthcare issues in the areas of quality and patient safety, access and coverage, workforce, community health, diversity, and hospital reimbursement.