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CHRISTUS Health Southeast Texas

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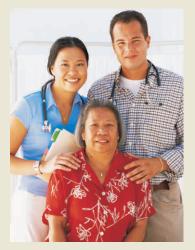
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According to the US Census Bureau, the number of uninsured persons in the United States increased by 1.3 million during fiscal year 2006. This increase brings the total number of uninsured in America to a record 46.6 million people when only five years ago, 38.7 million were uninsured. Of the 1.3 million additional uninsured, 961,000 reported working full-time but unable to afford the high cost of health insurance coverage. The number of children without health insurance rose from 7.9 million to 8.3 million during this same time period.

Of this 46.6 million, many are categorized as middle-class. Among households earning \$50,000 per year or more, 17 million people had no insurance during fiscal year 2006; this represents an increase of more than 1.5 million during fiscal year 2005.

Texas and Louisiana contribute to this crisis as these two states continue to lead the nation in percent uninsured with Texas ranking first and Louisiana ranking third. While only 15 percent of the total US population is uninsured, Texas and Louisiana report 25 percent and 20 percent, respectively.





Even while these statistics seem daunting, CHRISTUS Health Southeast Texas is committed to meeting the needs of the uninsured through the support of innovative programs. As a leading Catholic healthcare system, CHRISTUS Health Southeast Texas supports community-based programs providing Community Benefit in the Southeast Texas region.

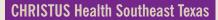
Charity Care is defined as the unpaid cost of medical services provided to low-income uninsured and underinsured. During fiscal year 2006, CHRISTUS Health Southeast Texas provided more than \$51 million in Charity Care. Of this amount, **Unpaid Government Indigent Care**, predominately Medicaid, is nearly \$24 million of unpaid costs for FY2006.

CHRISTUS Health Southeast Texas also contributed almost \$2 million in **Community Services** to the communities served in FY2006. Thus, CHRISTUS Health Southeast Texas provided more than \$53 million in total community benefits, which is 15.5 percent of Net Patient Revenue in fiscal year 2006. This equates to \$146,000 a day in community benefits.

In addition, cost of **Unpaid Government Sponsored Programs**, mostly Medicare, is reported to the State of Texas following the State's Community Benefit reporting requirements. This year the amount for CHRISTUS Health Southeast Texas was more than \$54 million or 15.6 percent of CHRISTUS' Net Patient Revenue. In accordance with CHA Guidelines, CHRISTUS Health does not include this amount in reports of community benefit provided to other agencies.

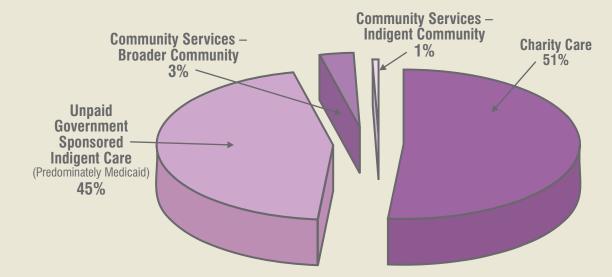






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FY2006 CHARITY CARE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES



CHRISTUS HEALTH SOUTHEAST TEXAS Community Benefit Fy2005 vs Fy2006		
	YEAR ENDED 06/30/05	YEAR ENDED 6/30/06
	UNPAID AS A Costs \$ % of NPR*	UNPAID AS A Costs \$ % of NPR*
CHARITY CARE		
Charity Care	36,643,581 11.7	27,442,514 7.9
Unpaid Government Indigent Care (predominately Medicaid)	27,088,631 8.7	24,105,277 7.0
Charity Care Subtotal	63,732,212 20.4	51,547,791 14.9
COMMUNITY SERVICES	1,815,136 0.6	1,981,054 0.6
Total Community Benefit As Per CHA Guidelines	65,547,348 21.0	53,528,845 15.5
UNPAID GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS (predominately Medicare)	58,361,490 18.7	54,187,810 15.6
Total Community Benefit Plus Unpaid Medicare Costs Per State Of Texas Rules	123,908,838 39.7	107,716,655 31.1
NET PATIENT REVENUE (NPR)*	311,866,144	346,469,607

*Includes Hospitals' Net Patient Revenues, Medical Group Net Patient Revenue, and Capitation Revenue.