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Planned Parenthood of Central Texas

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## PPCT RECEIVES TWO GRANTS FROM THE CENTRAL TEXAS AFFILIATE OF THE SUSAN G. KOMEN FOUNDATION:

**\$25,000 FOR MAMMOGRAPHY  
PROGRAM AND \$10,000 FOR  
FOLLOW-UP DIAGNOSTIC TESTING**

The Central Texas Affiliate of The Susan G. Komen Foundation granted \$25,000 to PPCT's mammography program to provide screening for 300 low-income women and an additional \$10,000 for abnormal mammography follow-up diagnostic testing for 2004/2005. PPCT has contracts with the Hillcrest Breast Screening Center and Waco Radiology to provide mammography to selected low income patients.

The grant of \$10,000 is to



*Komen Race PPCT Team 2004*

provide diagnostic testing for women who have an abnormal mammography. The patient must meet the same eligibility requirements. The grant pays for Diagnostic Mammography and Additional Views, Breast Ultrasound guided Core Biopsy, and Stereotactic Breast Biopsy.

2003 was the first year we received the follow-up grant from the Foundation. This allowed us to provide 65 diagnostic follow up procedures for our patients.

The Central Texas Affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Foundation held their

4<sup>th</sup> Annual Komen Race for the Cure in Waco on April 3. There were over 8,000 participants (over 2,000 more than participated in 2003). Planned Parenthood fielded a "team" of 26 for the race. It was a very successful fundraising event and means that the women of central Texas will continue to benefit from their good work.

**THANK YOU, CENTRAL TEXAS  
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Thanks to The Central Texas Affiliate of The Susan G. Komen Foundation, in 2003, \$25,000 was granted to PPCT's mammography program to provide screening to 300 low-income women and an additional \$10,000 for abnormal mammography follow-up diagnostic testing.

Recognizing that significantly less than half of uninsured women with low income have had a baseline mammography, we began providing this service in 1998. PPCT has contracts with the Hillcrest Breast Screening Center and Waco Radiology to provide mammog-

raphy to selected low-income patients.

Eligibility requirements: 1) must be age 40 or over 2) uninsured 3) low-income 4) never had mammography screening 5) no previous history of breast abnormalities 6) a recent gynecological exam.

These patients are women of mid-life age, uninsured, underserved, and low-income who benefit by having the opportunity to obtain a baseline mammography that otherwise would not be possible without this program. By detecting breast cancer early, treatment can be started that many times is life saving.

In the first six months of our 2002 grant, the mammogram of 30 of our patients indicated a need for further diagnostic testing. With no funds available for follow-up, they were left on their own to find a way to afford further testing.

This year the Foundation added an additional \$10,000 grant to enhance PPCT's program and provide diagnostic testing for women who have an abnormal baseline mammography. The grant will pay for Diagnostic Mammography and Additional Views, Breast Ultrasound Bilateral, Breast Ultrasound-guided Core Biopsy, and Stereotactic Breast Biopsy.

The Central Texas Affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Foundation held their 3rd Annual Komen Race for the Cure in Waco on April 12. There were over 6300 participants. Planned Parenthood fielded a "team" of 32 for the race. It was a very successful fundraising event and means that the women of central Texas will continue to benefit from their good work.