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CSUSB Palm Desert Campus street medicine program receives funding from RAP Foundation

PALM DESERT, Calif. – The Regional Access Project Foundation (RAP) has awarded the Cal State San Bernardino Palm Desert Campus a \$5,000 grant to support the campus's Street Medicine program.

The grant will be used to purchase much-needed supplies for the street medicine team to use in the field while providing healthcare services to the homeless and unsheltered populations in the Coachella Valley.

The Street Medicine program is a collaborative partnership between the CSUSB Department of Nursing at the Palm Desert Campus; the University of California, Riverside School of Medicine; Desert Regional Medical Center; Well in the Desert; and the Coachella Valley Volunteers in Medicine.

"We are so grateful to the RAP Foundation for this funding which will help us continue our efforts helping those in need in the Coachella Valley," said Diane Vines, street medicine grant

coordinator and CSUSB nursing faculty member. "The street medicine program provides healthcare to people who might not otherwise receive treatment except at an emergency room, and facilitates the opportunity for our nursing students to work with people from vulnerable populations with varying needs."

For more information about the Street Medicine program, contact Diane Vines at <u>diane.vines@csusb.edu</u>.

For more information about the RAP Foundation, visit <u>www.RAPFoundation.org</u>.

The CSUSB Palm Desert Campus offers bachelor's and master's degrees, a doctorate in educational leadership, and teaching credentials and certificates. With more than 1,600 students, it is the Coachella Valley's four-year public university and plays a vital role in educating and training the region's growing population.

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