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THE BAPTIST HEALING TRUST AWARDS GRANT TO MERCY

FRANKLIN, Tenn. – Aug. 26, 2009 – Mercy Children's Clinic received a grant from The Baptist Healing Trust, which awarded funds totaling more than \$1.5 million recently to 44 charities for a variety of health related projects, according to President & CEO Erie Chapman. The mission of the Trust is to be a caring ministry devoted to healing with love in the Christian tradition.

The BHT grant was for \$61,500 and will be used for funding Disease and Case Managers for the Chronic Care Medical Home. The Chronic Care Medical Home for Pediatrics is the nationally recognized chronic illness management program instituted by Mercy Children's Clinic in November of 2008.

Recipients of the contributions include non-profit organizations from all over Middle Tennessee working to help create access to quality, compassionate health services for the community's vulnerable. This year's grants bring the collective grant making of the Baptist Healing Trust to more than \$46 million since 2002. The Baptist Healing Trust was created when Baptist Hospital in Nashville sold to Ascension Health in St. Louis, Missouri.

ABOUT MERCY

Mercy is a Franklin-based nonprofit organization that delivers comprehensive pediatric and mental health care, and social services to children from all socio-economic backgrounds including those without health insurance or enrolled in TennCare. The Mercy family consists of Mercy Children's Clinic, Mercy Family Services and the Mercy Chronic Care Home. Mercy has a staff of more than 40, including eight pediatricians and a psychiatrist, and sees an average of 100 new patients each month. Since 1999 more than 9,600 children from 32 Middle Tennessee counties have called Mercy Children's Clinic their medical home. For additional information visit www.MercyTn.org or call 615.790.0567.

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