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Representative Danny K. Davis (D-IL07) today announced two new grants to IL07 Community Health Centers funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). Lawndale Christian Health Center was awarded \$10,000,000 and PCC Community Wellness Center received 4,053,042.

Davis stated, "These two grants are only the latest support Community Health Centers in the 7th Congressional District have received through the ARRA. Together, Access Community Health Network, Alivio Medical Center, Circle Family Care, Erie Family Health Center, Lawndale Christian Health Center, Near North Health Service Corporation and PCC Community Wellness Center, all of whom serve populations in the District, have received over \$32,800,000."

Davis continued, "These dollars are among the most effective investments in the health of our community. Community Health Centers strive to provide services that are available and affordable for everyone, and especially to low-income individuals and families. Their coverage is comprehensive, including medical, dental, and mental health services, with emphasis on prevention and primary care. Community Health Centers are committed to providing high quality, cost-effective care to everyone, especially those who are medically underserved. I have been involved with the development Community Health Centers almost since their inception. Now, my role on the House Ways and Means Committee provides a means for me to advocate for a significant increase in the role of these centers and I have worked to ensure that the ARRA and the health reform legislation passed by the House made maximum use of the community centered health care model. The health care reform bill passed by the House would further expand the population served by the centers by almost tenfold and that would be a very good thing for the health of the American people."