Stacey Barbas

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As a senior program officer for Health, Stacey Barbas manages the grantmaking portfolio for the Health team’s Emerging and Promising Practices area. The Kresge Foundation initiative supports grantees engaged in innovative, cross-sector, interdisciplinary efforts to mitigate the social and environmental factors leading to health disparities. Stacey invites and reviews grant requests from nonprofit organizations and safety-net health institutions addressing the social and environmental factors that disproportionately affect at-risk communities.

“As a member of the Health team, I feel privileged to help provide resources to organizations that are working with vulnerable, disenfranchised populations and improving the health of their communities,” says Stacey, who makes site visits to grantees in underserved urban and rural areas. “Through Kresge’s grantmaking, these communities often are given the opportunity to have a voice and choices in their health that they may not have had before.”

Stacey has been involved in charitable work since 1985. Prior to joining the foundation in 2008, she served for five years as executive director of the Michigan AIDS Fund, a statewide grantmaking organization. Earlier, she worked 16 years at the United Way for Southeastern Michigan, where she held various positions, including director of information services and manager of the 2-1-1 call center, an around-the-clock information and referral service.

After graduating from Wayne State University, Stacey earned a master of science in administration degree from Central Michigan University.