

Prospect Home Care Hospice

The Prospect Home Care-Hospice was formed in 1982 to offer supportive care to patients for whom a cure is not a probability and who prefer to live the remainder of their lives in the familiar surroundings of their home with loved ones. Prospect also provides home care when an illness can be managed in the home. Their Helping Hands program provides in-home assistance to area residents who need assistance in daily tasks such as housekeeping, shopping, laundry and meal preparation. In 2002 Prospect served 154 patients, and Helping Hands assisted 82 clients.

Prospect also participates in "Kids Camp", a grief camp for children ages 8-15. The camp is a weekend retreat held two times a year for children who have lost a loved one. There is no cost to the campers.

In February, CC&V donated \$1300 to Prospect for the purchase of a CoaguChek machine. The machine enables the staff to check blood levels for those on anticoagulation therapy with a simple finger stick. This allows the patient to have their blood tested in the home, eliminating a trip to the doctor's office. Prospect performs 50+ such tests every month.

In addition to reimbursement from insurance, and payments from clients, Prospect relies upon donations and fund raising to keep their services available to those who are in need. One of the largest fundraisers is the annual art auction, which features works from local and national artists. Art works are sold through both a silent auction and live auction. This year the auction will be held on June 21 at the Ute Pass Cultural Center. For more information and tickets call 687-0549.