

RYAN WHITE IN CALIFORNIA

"Without the **Ryan White** Care Act, by all accounts, I would be dead today. **Ryan White** funding has allowed me to receive the medications I need to stay alive. Since my diagnosis, I have held full time jobs, fed and housed myself and paid my fair share of taxes, I might add." "**Ryan White** funding has kept me a productive member of my community. I ask for continued funding for thousands of people just like me, living with HIV and AIDS. Ryan White's family and doctors did not give up on him. **Please do not give up on us.**" -Robert S., CA

"Without the **Ryan White Act** and **ADAP**, I would have easily become sick, homeless, even dead. Thanks to the **Ryan White Act** and **ADAP**, my every health concern was covered. All my quarterly blood labs, viral load tests, doctor visits were provided. After the two year waiting period, I now have Medicare. But it is important to note, even with Medicare, I need **Ryan White** and **ADAP**. Today, I am HIV undetectable with a high T cell count and mentally and physically healthy. I owe it all to **Ryan White** and am most grateful." -Lee S., CA

"I would like to implore that Congress fully fund the **Ryan White** Program. **Due to the stigma of this disease we are not helped by any other federal resource.** I am deeply afraid that without the carve-out for women that Ryan White provides, women such as me would not be alive." "**Ryan White** has impacted my life in tremendous ways. For example I have accessed transportation, child care, food sources, mental health, support groups, education presentations, and referrals through this funding source. Further, because I am on Social Security, I am unable to receive food stamps to feed my daughter and her new born baby." "The services that **Ryan White** provides are services that are vital in keeping me and my HIV-positive peers alive." -Cinnamon K., CA

- PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS 111,706
- FY2010 CLIENTS SERVED IN ADAP: 39,481
- RYAN WHITE PROGRAM FUNDING: 382,406,073



The **Ryan White Program** funds primary health care, support services and life-saving medications for more than one-half million low-income, uninsured and underinsured people living with HIV/AIDS each year.