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Congressman Pete P. Gallego (second from left) presents a check to Rachel Gonzales-Hanson (center), CEO of Community Health Development Inc. in the amount of \$147,649. Others present (left to right) include board members and employees Vale Rodriguez, Kevin Dittmar, Jesse Ybarra, Mayela Castanon, and Reyes Lopez.

Gallego brings plus-sized check

CHDI to use part of \$147,848 to increase education, outreach

U.S. Congressman Pete Gallego, who represents Texas' 23rd Congressional District, was in Uvalde on Tuesday to present a check to Community Health Development Inc.

Accepted by CHDI board members and Chief Executive Officer Rachel Gonzales-Hanson, the \$147,649 check was awarded by the federal government and

issued through a grant from Health Resources and Services Administration.

A portion of the money will be used to add two new positions at CHDI, and the two new employees will focus on educating the public on how the health exchanges are going to affect them once the Affordable Healthcare

Act goes live.

The advisors will be there to help families decide what type of insurance coverage they need and to help them pick the appropriate plan.

Also on Tuesday, Gallego took a tour of CHDI facilities located at 201 S. Evans St. and 908 S. Evans St., and held a town hall meeting that afternoon.