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## COMMUNITY MEDICAL CENTERS DONATES \$100,000 TO NAME THE BIOMEDICINE LAB AT CENTER FOR ADVANCED RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY (CART)

Fresno, CA (September 23, 2002) – Center for Advanced Research and Technology Foundation announced today that it has received a \$100,000 pledge from Community Medical Centers to name the Biomedicine Lab. Community Medical Centers has a long history of serving the health-care needs of the people who live in central California.

Community Medical Centers provides a full continuum of care; from preventive education and outpatient services to intensive hospital treatment. With 13 facilities from Oakhurst to Firebaugh, Community has a strong health care presence in the San Joaquin Valley. Operating three acute-care hospitals, outpatient and ambulatory care facilities, rural clinics as well as long-term care facilities.

“We are appreciative of the generosity and commitment by Community Medical Centers. We look forward to working with them to further develop the Community Medical Centers Biomedicine Lab while we will continue our commitment to making a difference in the lives of our students and their families who have chosen to participate in this innovative educational reform effort here at CART,” commented, Steve Ward, Chief Operating Officer, CART.

### **ABOUT COMMUNITY MEDICAL CENTERS BIOMEDICINE LAB**

The Community Medical Centers Biomedicine Lab’s curriculum emphasizes the importance for students to understand the homeostatic mechanisms essential for human health. In order to understand this, students must have a foundation in human anatomy and physiological chemistry. In Advanced Topics in Medicine class students apply their knowledge of chemistry and anatomy as they work on their various projects. In every project emphasis is stressed on the medical personnel that treat the patients. Since critical thinking is essential for medicine, students work on

medical studies that give them the opportunity to go through the medical process. English is another essential component to the curriculum, therefore the medical and anatomical terminology is integrated throughout the English and science classes.

### **ABOUT THE CENTER FOR ADVANCED RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY**

CART ([www.cart.org](http://www.cart.org)) is an innovative learning environment that enables juniors and seniors from the Fresno and Clovis Unified school districts to make connections with their future. Students utilize technology to solve real world problems from their community under the mentorship of dedicated teachers and business partners. At CART students are connected with a range of possibilities for the present and future as they become immersed in a program of continuous improvement and begin to regard education as an opportunity to think, learn, do, and most of all, “become” vital members of their communities.

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