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displays for use at conferences and fairs around Vermont. "I think it is so great that there are people in our community who have taken on the unenviable task of raising money for our organizations and we are honored to be among those chosen," commented Beth Robinson, president of the Task Force board.

One funded project, Burlington R.U.I.2?, is a grass-roots effort to create a community center in the Burlington area. Its \$1,000 Samara award will help underwrite monthly substance-free coffee house events.

Three AIDS service organizations serving people with AIDS throughout Vermont — ACORN, based in the White River Junction area, the Brattleboro Area AIDS Project, and Vermont CARES, the state's largest ASO — received special project grants ranging from \$1500 to \$2,000. The Brattleboro Area AIDS Project funds will expand special services to the Bennington County area.

Two of the awards were designated as 'challenge grants.' Outright Vermont, an agency serving gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered and questioning youth statewide, and Mountain Pride Media each received \$4000 to use as matching funds during regular fundraising activities.

Although Samara awarded

four special inaugural grants totalling \$10,500 in the fall of 1998, the 1999 grants are the results of its first annual grant cycle.

"We are pleased to be able to increase our financial support for the lesbian and gay communities throughout Vermont in 1999," commented Mary Hurlie, president of the Samara board of directors. "Samara is committed to the wellbeing of our communities in all parts of Vermont, and is pleased to award grants this year all across the state."

One of a network of gay & lesbian community foundations across the country, the Samara Foundation of Vermont's mission is "to support and strengthen Vermont's gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered communities today and build an endowment for tomorrow."

Founded by Burlington attorney David Curtis and Bill Lippert, the current executive director, Samara received early support from the bequests of Robert Mundstock of Montpelier and the estate of Doug Howe and Frank Shivers of Hinesburg. Individual and corporate donors continue to make additional contributions and bequest commitments to increase Samara's current and future resources.

"We are deeply grateful to Doug Howe and Bob



The theme for Burlington R.U. I.2? Community Center's float for this year's parade was "Under Construction."

Mundstock, Samara's founding benefactors, and believe they would be proud of Samara's development," said Lippert. "Through their visionary bequests, they continue to support our community and inspire others today to add their support to fulfill Samara's mission." ▼

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

Coordinator of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, & Transgender Advocacy and Programming

Under general supervision advises and advocates on behalf of individual gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender students. Works with appropriate offices to coordinate a campus response to incidents of homophobia. Serves as an advisor to the Dartmouth Rainbow Alliance; compiles information and resources relevant to gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender issues; and annually coordinates events for Coming Out Week. Bachelor's degree in Health Education, Psychology, Sociology, or related field and two to three years of relevant experience; or the equivalent. Excellent communication skills. Working knowledge of issues facing college populations, especially sexuality. Awareness of and ability to address the intersections of gender, race, sexual orientation, and other significant aspects of individual and cultural identity. Familiarity with general development and other issues facing college-age women and men. Skill in working with gay, lesbian, and bisexual issues. Ability to advise and lead diverse student groups. Strong written, verbal, and organization skills. High energy. Willingness to work a flexible schedule including nights and occasional weekends. This is a part-time, twenty-hour-a-week position. There will be potential for the successful applicant to combine this with another part-time position.

Review of resumes will begin 7/7/99 and continue until position is filled.

Please submit resume and cover letter to: Carol Bushway Boardman, Dean of Student Life office, HB 6135, Collis 217, Hanover, NH 03755.