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 Saint Vincent and Duchesne Clinics are United Way Agencies.



CARITAS CELEBRATES

April 26, 2014
KCI Expo Center
11730 N.W. Ambassador Drive
Kansas City, Missouri 64153

6:00 p.m. Doors Open & Honoree Reception
 7:00 p.m. Dinner

This fun-filled evening will include a silent auction, awards presentation and dancing. Summer lawn party or business casual attire encouraged.

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Saint Vincent Clinic Makes It Possible For Mother to Care for Her Sons *and* Herself

Linda, a patient at Saint Vincent Clinic, is a good mom in a challenging situation. Caring for her two special-needs sons has long been Linda's #1 priority, even above taking care of her own health. She felt sick for a very long time before coming to the clinic. While she tried to attribute her symptoms to being stressed and tired from caring for her sons, in the back of her mind she suspected it was something more.

medication through the clinic's Pharmacy Assistance Program. Like many people, Linda feared getting a diagnosis because she knew she couldn't afford medication or treatment. After coming to Saint Vincent Clinic, Linda learned that help getting her medications is available through the clinic.

"This is my primary care."

With no insurance, Linda ignored her symptoms. When she could no longer take the stress of not knowing what was wrong with her, Linda called the clinic, completed paperwork and scheduled her first appointment – intake exam and physical.

“ Without the clinic I could have died, gone into a coma, or had a stroke. I can't imagine what that would have done to my family. It is a good safety-net for the working poor. ”

- Linda, Saint Vincent Clinic Patient

Last year, the Pharmacy Assistance Program secured more than \$2.1 million worth of life-saving prescription medication for clinic patients like Linda... medication that they otherwise would have gone without.



Test results confirmed Linda's hunch that she has diabetes. She also learned she has high blood pressure. In her first month at the clinic, Linda's care team helped her get

Linda's job is to take care of her family. At the clinic, she's found an extension of that family whose job it is to take care of her, making it possible for her to continue to be there for her sons.

Clinic Counts

47,543 uninsured adults live in Leavenworth and Wyandotte Counties in 2014

In 2013 the clinics brought **Health & Hope** to **70 patients each day**

Contact either clinic to join us for a monthly Health & Hope tour and witness our mission in action.



MONTHLY GIFTS = DAILY HEALTH & HOPE

When you support the clinics through a monthly gift, you provide stability to clinic services and *Health AND Hope* to our patients.

It is easy to get started; just check the box on the enclosed envelope and return it to the clinics today.



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A Letter from the Leadership

Myth: The Clinics are walk-in clinics, similar to a school nurse's office.

Fact: Saint Vincent and Duchesne Clinics provide a wide range of complex medical care for our patients.

Myth: Most patients "milk" the system, getting whatever they can for free.

Fact: Controlling chronic conditions like diabetes and heart disease allows our patients to regain and retain employment.

And isn't that what we all want? Hope for a better life for ourselves and our families? Our patients need the health and hope for the future that you provide through Saint Vincent and Duchesne Clinics. You keep the mission of the clinics alive each day through your prayers, your gifts and your volunteerism.

A special thanks to those who give the gift of leadership through service on our Board of Directors. Thank you to retiring board members Rosalyn Brown, LaNora Hughes, and Curt Stillely for their leadership and guidance, and WELCOME to new members Anita Dunn, Ken Homan, Patrice Townsend.

The journey continues and we need you more today than ever. Please continue to walk with us.

Blessings,



Judy Scott, Board Chair



Amy Falk, Executive Director

Last year, 2,913 sick and uninsured people came to Saint Vincent and Duchesne Clinics for desperately needed medical care.

As we continue the work started in 1986 by our founders, the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth, we find ourselves facing many uncertainties in the ever-changing health care world. However, what is clearer than ever is the growing need for the quality, compassionate health care that Saint Vincent and Duchesne Clinics provide.

As we look to the future, there are several facts that you, our loyal friends and supporters, need to know.

Myth: State & Federal Programs ensure health coverage for everyone.

Fact: Over 47,000 people in Leavenworth and Wyandotte Counties will not have health care coverage in 2014.

300 Hundred Streak for Saint Vincent Clinic!

January 25th, 26 teams, many in costume, raised over \$35,000 for uninsured patients of Saint Vincent Clinic at the 1st Snowflake Streak. After being billed as "a one-mile walk on the coldest day of the year." Emcee Len Jennings of KMBC noted, "We missed the coldest day of the year, but I think everyone here appreciates that."

Each team was encouraged to raise at least \$750, the average cost for a full year of medical care for one patient at Saint Vincent Clinic. Demonstrating BOTH compassion and competitiveness, many teams well exceeded that amount.



RockStar Award - TenPenny Plastered Penguins

2014 Saint Vincent Clinic Snowflake Streak

Most Fun Team - St. John Hospital

Biggest Team - Cushing Caped Crusaders

Top Team - Team Citizens

Leavenworth Firefighters

Leavenworth Lions Club and Frosty

Walkers Enjoyed Post-Event Pancakes

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Sister Rosalie Mahoney Award
Greg Shondell

Champion for Duchesne Clinic



Caritas Award
First Christian Church
Christian Men's Fellowship

True Community Stewards



Award Winners



Giving Patients Something to Smile About

Moreno Family Dentistry
Business of the Year



Serving with Dignity and Compassion

Kansas City, Kansas Fire Department
Community Servant of the Year

HEALTH & HOPE

You are invited to experience our mission first hand! Please join us for an upcoming Health & Hope Tour to learn more about how the clinics are changing lives every day.

Upcoming Tours

Duchesne Clinic	Saint Vincent Clinic
3/18 @ 4:00 PM	3/25 @ 8:00 AM
4/22 @ 8:00 AM	4/15 @ 4:00 PM
5/20 @ 4:00 PM	5/27 @ 8:00 AM

Reserve your spot today by contacting Debbie at Deborah.Sparks@CaritasClinics.org or (913) 651-8860.

When it comes to helping those in need no donor or gift is too small. Each year students from Xavier Elementary School in Leavenworth save their change to fill empty pill bottles for the Saint Vincent Clinic Ca\$h for Care campaign. Last fall \$2,054.58 was collected, raising the 2013 campaign total to a record \$17,011.15. In addition to the school, each spring members of Sacred Heart & Saint Casimir, Saint Francis de Sales, and Immaculate Conception/Saint Joseph Parishes receive pill bottles of their own. Because of your generosity and the work of volunteers



Bert O'Connor and Kathy Forge, the money collected means 23 more patients will receive the care they need this year. Thank you!

Since opening the doors in 1989, Duchesne Clinic has provided a medical home for the uninsured poor of Wyandotte County.



In recognition of the thousands of patients cared for a year-long celebration has been planned. Thank you to all of the partners, friends and supporters who will be hosting events and supply drives in the clinic's honor. Your efforts this year will honor the past while looking forward, in the words of Sisters of Charity founder, Mother Xavier Ross "to the good that is yet to be."

Find the year-long calendar at www.DuchesneClinic.org or contact Karole at Karole.Bradford@CaritasClinics.org or 913-321-4706 to host your own celebration.