

OUR CASE FOR SUPPORT: RESTRUCTURING & EXPANSION FOR VITAL SERVICES



WE HAVE THE SKILLS TO CARE, AND THE SPIRIT TO HEAL...

The Montgomery County Free Clinic offers high-quality medical care to residents who lack insurance, fall within 300% of the federal poverty guidelines, and do not qualify for Medicaid. We focus on disease prevention and medication management to improve quality of life and reduce strain on the healthcare system. We also utilize restricted funds to support needs that extend beyond the Clinic's services, including support for breast cancer patients through FAITH Alliance. Our clinic is a descendent of the Christian Nursing Service, founded in 1968 by Dr. Mary Ludwig and seven other women as a volunteer-run clinic housed in an old church. In 2009, community partners came together to form the Montgomery County Free Clinic, Inc., a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization, which operates the Dr. Mary Ludwig Free Clinic at 816 Mill Street, Crawfordsville. The Clinic is staffed by healthcare professionals and volunteers who donate their time and talents to improve the health of our community. Decisions are guided by the Board of Directors.



EVERYONE DESERVES HEALTHCARE...



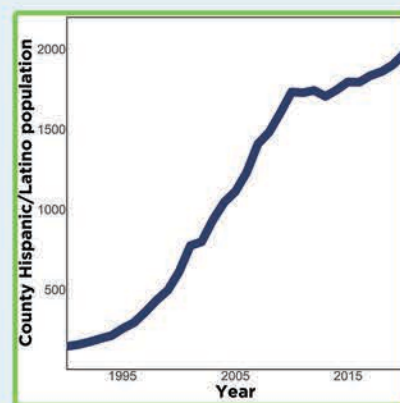
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"I became convinced there was a great need for a very specific population here – the working poor. These are individuals who work hard, but they just don't make enough money to afford insurance. I still remember the first day we operated the dental clinic and tears came to my eyes. We are doing so much good in our community, and I really see that we are needed."

- Bill Doemel, Founding Member and Annual Supporter of the Montgomery County Free Clinic, Wabash College Emeritus Professor of Biology

GROWING NEEDS ...

Though we serve nearly 200 patients, there are an estimated 2300 uninsured adults in Montgomery County who do not receive proper medical care. This includes veterans, as well as a rapidly growing Hispanic and Latino population who utilize interpreting services. Read on to see what your support will accomplish!



NOWHERE ELSE TO GO...



Patients who are uninsured and don't have access to the assistance they need will put off pursuing care until a problem is severely affecting them. Most of our patients' health situations are complicated by multiple diagnoses and/or lack of preventative health care over time. In the long run, they face mounting obstacles to a good quality of life. Without the Clinic, their options are severely limited by both access and cost. Not only do we remove the most common barriers to access, but we provide hope that improved health is possible!

WE HAVE A GOAL AND A PLAN ...

Our goal today is to raise \$150,000 for operational restructuring that will lead to the future expansion of our vital community services. The Board of Directors has identified the need to update the current staffing from an interim Executive Director and a combined Office Manager/Medical Interpreter to three permanent positions. With your generosity, we can build upon the valuable foundation we already have and serve even more Montgomery County residents!

NECESSARY STAFFING

- A permanent **Executive Director** to provide oversight of the clinic, community outreach, and lead annual fundraising efforts.
- A dedicated **Office Manager** to supervise the work of running the clinic so medical staff and interpreters can focus on serving patient needs.
- A dedicated certified **Medical Interpreter** will assist our growing population of residents for whom English is a second language to ensure proper care.



Recently, our dental clinic staff noticed a suspicious lesion during the dental exam of a veteran. The patient was referred to a specialist and was found to have oral cancer. Thankfully, the cancer was found early and has been treated successfully. Today, this veteran is doing great, and he credits the Clinic for saving his life! Scanning the QR code to the left will show you many more stories of the impact the clinic is making. Through your support, the Montgomery County Free Clinic can reach more members of our community and produce more of these success stories!

How You Can Help...

Thank you for considering a special gift to the Montgomery County Free Clinic to ensure that we are able to continue to provide excellent care and improve the lives of those who qualify for our services. You can contribute to our operating funds by donating securely online after scanning the QR code to the right or via check made payable to: Montgomery County Free Clinic, Inc. Mail to: P.O. Box 86, Crawfordsville, IN 47933. The Free Clinic also gratefully accepts gifts through wills/estates, direct donations from an IRA, as well as stocks donated in-kind. Please contact our office for more information. With your help, we can improve and save more lives right now, right here in our community.



Give Today!