Orange County Free Clinic

"Community Based Care for Those in Need"

Spring 2022

Newsletter

15 Years Of Service

Photo by Jeanne Moon

May is Mental Health Awareness



15 years of Service...Moving Right Along

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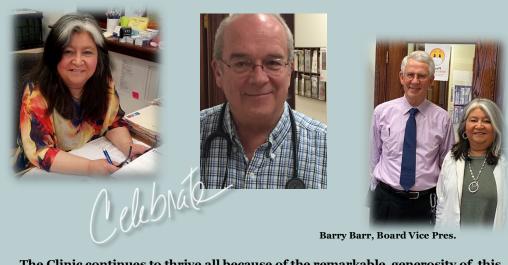
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Left: Dr. Randy Merrick, Medical Director /Board

...The Clinic continues to thrive all because of the remarkable generosity of this community and others! Thank You!

Since 2007, **the Orange County Free Clinic** has provided uninsured, underinsured and low income residents with their health care needs. According to VA Rural Health, a community's health is reflective of the resources available to its most vulnerable residents! The OCFC exists today, after 15 years, because of the Orange County community! People who saw the need then, still donate today and the Clinic stands strong because of new and ongoing supporters who recognize the importance of the service to so many. Statistically, healthcare clinics like ours don't last! ... The Clinic's mission and belief that everyone should have access to quality healthcare, ties us to this community! The commitment of our Board of Directors and Donors like you, make it possible !

Ask us what a Healthcare Safety Net means to our patients...

It means knowing that if you are uninsured, underinsured and living below the federal poverty levels, you have peace of mind with OCFC as your Primary Care Provider! We remain diligent in keeping health care services available and accessible to Orange County residents who find themselves in need, for any reason!

- Primary Chronic and Acute Healthcare /Open five days, with Provider appointments Monday-Thursday 9-5
- Corner Pantry (food, over the counter medicine and personal hygiene supplies)
- Women's Wellcare Services
- Medication Assistance –Rx/Medications and supplies
- MAP -Medication Assistance Program for higher costing generic and brand name medications that is also available to non-clinic patients
- Spanish Interpretation



Pictured above: Tatiana Cruz, Spanish Interpreter. Tatiana joined the Clinic to assist patients who may not be comfortable with English as their second language. This service is critical to communications resulting in optimum healthcare services!

Pictured Inset Above: Titiana with Lisa Wilson, Office Mgr.



This list includes gifts/ contributions for <u>Calendar year 2021</u>. We regret any omissions or errors. *Should corrections be necessary, please contact this office at 540-672-3530 (Kim)*.

Thank you for giving when you can, making the commitment to give in the future, and being ambassadors for the Clinic by asking others to make this important commitment that helps so many!

January 2021 through December 2021 !

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Gifts made in 'Memory" of the following friends and loved ones: January 2021– December 2021

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Patient Story

Patients tell us how having OCFC as their healthcare home has improved their lives:

RG is a 63-years-old male and had not been to a primary care provider for a few years because of a lack of funds and insurance. Several years ago, RG's wife had a horse-riding accident that left her wheel-chair-bound and with one hand amputated.

RG left his job as a prison guard to take care of his wife and they support each other on a small early retirement pension. He does not qualify for medicaid, does not have enough income to purchase insurance, nor is he old enough to qualify for Medicare. He explained that he's been doing it on his own!

He came to the OCFC in November 2021 for a skin problem and received a general check-up with lab work. When his Hemoglobin A1C came back as 11.1, he was given a new diagnosis of uncontrolled Type II diabetes mellitus and was started on Diabetic medications, given supplies and a glucometer to monitor levels at home.

Three months later, his Hemoglobin A1C is improved to 7.6, and RG is motivated to take care of his health, improve this number further, and be a healthy caregiver for his wife!



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May is Mental Health Awareness Month... after the last few years of living in pandemic times, many people are realizing that stress, isolation and uncertainty have taken a toll on their well-being! This, according to Mental Health America (MHA) is the reason that the theme for 2022 is "Back to Basics" ...fundamental knowledge about mental health and mental health conditions.

The Orange County Free Clinic provides a holistic approach to healthcare that includes assessing patients for signs of depression and other mental health concerns. Most often patients can benefit from understanding their own emotional and physical behaviors. There are resources available to see qualified counselors, and other mental health providers.



Speak with your Primary Care Provider for guidance and referrals to a mental health professional!

Not to replace professional care, but having an effective self-care routine has been shown to have a number of important health benefits. Some of these include:

- \Rightarrow Reducing anxiety and depression
- \Rightarrow Reducing stress and improving resilience
- \Rightarrow Improving happiness
- \Rightarrow Increasing energy
- \Rightarrow Reducing burnout
- \Rightarrow Stronger interpersonal relationships



Each year, many organizations choose to host awareness observances and campaigns throughout the month of May and over the course of the year. For more information: lehighcenter.com

Interesting Facts:

In the 1800's , green was the color used to label people who were considered insane! Mental Health Awareness Month was started in the United States in 1949 by **the Mental Health America organization** (then known as the National Association for Mental Health).

Significance of the Butterfly, The symbol for Mental Health Awareness is also the Butterfly. According to Mental Health America, Butterflies often represent a natural growth and transformation, starting life as a caterpillar then developing into a vibrant, colorful insect with the power and freedom to fly. This shows us that we always have the ability to change and evolve into something greater.



Above: The endangered Monarch Butterfly is from Jeanne Moon Photography. Jeanne has supported the Clinic through her beautiful photography over the years.





Left: Leslie Raiford,FNP Right: Kim Sargent, FNP

Thank You to our Nurse Practitioners!

FNP's Leslie Raiford and Kim Sargent are very often the first to hear about a patients' mental health concerns and take steps to reassure each patient that help is available!



Moving Right Along-

Thank You to our In-Kind donors (January 2021– December 2021)

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Thank You for Investing in a life!

All the time and every day!! Our *Health Care* Partners provide essential and lifesaving services for our patients

Referrals, Labs and diagnostic testing, Specialty care including dental, diagnostic and medical procedures...*Partners include:*

- Culpeper Wellness Foundation
- Direct Relief International Funding support and medical and personal hygiene supplies
- Dermatology PLC
- District Supply
- District Healthcare
- Dr. Randolph V. Merrick , Innovative Health Care & Laser Therapy
- Every Woman's Life
- UVA Mammogram Mobile Unit
- FAHSS
- LabCorp (all labs and testing)
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- Rapidan Rappahannock Community Services Board
- Radiologic Association of Fredericksburg
- Sentara Martha Jefferson Hospital
- UVA Culpeper Medical Center
- Virginia Department of Health
- Virginia Health Care Foundation (VHCF)
- The Virginia Association of Free and Charitable Clinics (VAFCC)



April 2022-Colon Cancer Screening Day at the Clinic– Early Diagnosis is key to survival!

Thanks to the Phillips Cancer Center at Sentara MJH.

OCFC patients were evaluated and sent home with a "FIT Test" to screen for Colorectal Cancer. Patients really appreciated the opportunity to learn more about prevention and the importance of screening and risk factors. As Cancer Program Manager Crystal Chu mentioned, 1 in 5 colon cancer patients are diagnosed under age 54 and usually early colorectal cancer does not cause pain.

Pictured left to right: Susan Driskell, RN Patient Navigator, Catherine Kipps, RN, OCFC, Crystal Chu, RN Cancer Program Mgr. and Steve Wikoff, RN Research Nurse/

OCFC is a healthcare safety net for residents in Orange County...providing crucial services like this everyday!

sentara.com/coloncancer

ColonCancerCoalition.org/Get Screened

Thank you for your investment in our work and in the Orange County Community Consider supporting the Clinic in the way that feels right for you...

The need is greater than ever! There are multiple ways to show your support of the clinic's work and help sustain services for residents who look to us for a hand up!

> Please go to our website to find out more! www.orangecountyfreeclinic.org

Endowments and Estate Requests help sustain services

Give Monthly through Pay Pal : An Opportunity to help pay for life saving services... www.orangecountyfreeclinic.org

Challenge Grants...

Consider participating in the Five for Five Challenge or offer another challenge to donors to support the Clinic's work!

Support Events





Dedicate A Room or Space at the Clinic: Below: Front Waiting Room and Patient Room





Don't forget...**Our bi-annual newsletter** is one way to say that we appreciate your gifts of support. Hopefully we reach those who need us...please continue to send in your gifts to help keep services available in our community!! Thank You for your on-going support!



Tee Up for

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Healthcare ...Golf 2022!

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday October 16, 2022- Meadows Farm Golf Course, Locust Grove ,VA

"Shotgun start at 12:00"...Doug Ponton and Elaine Fogliani are inviting golfers back to Meadows Farms Golf Course for the **19th Annual Tony Fogliani Memorial Golf Tournament** to *benefit the Orange County Free Clinic!!*

We're back to Sunday Golf...All for a very good cause! Look for "Save the Date" postcards coming soon

Sponsorships are available to help us make this a successful fundraising event!! Contact OCFC for more information... or **www.orangecountyfreeclinic.org**

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WHAT WE DO

We do Healthcare... Creating the best possible environment to bring healthcare to our community by providing access to free primary medical care and prescription assistance.

WHO WE SERVE

The Underserved...Low income Adult residents of Orange County who are un-insured and medically underinsured.

WHAT WE OFFER

Peace of Mind ... Everyone deserves quality, equitable, accessible healthcare regardless of ability to pay.

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Save the date

🚹 Hartland

Benefit Concert

May 20, 2022–Orange Baptist Church 7:30

The Hartland College Choir, the Orange Baptist *Church Bell Choir*, and guest musicians present "Sing the Story"—a musical narrative journey through the religious history of Virginia, the cradle of American religious liberty. Friday, May 20, 7:30 pm. Light reception to follow.

Donations will be accepted to benefit the work of the Orange County Free clinic.

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