



Caring for our Neighbors in Need



2016-2017
Annual Report

We must all come together to **CARE** for our neighbors in need

In Henderson & Polk Counties...



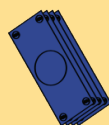
1 in 5 of our neighbors
qualifies for The Free
Clinics' Care



20% of adults
ages 18-64 have
no health insurance
according to the NC
Institute of Medicine



13% of the
population
lives in poverty



38% of the adult
population lives in
households with less than
\$34,000 in income, below
**200% of federal poverty
level**

With all the changes (*and potential changes*) to healthcare and healthcare funding, there has never been a greater need for The Free Clinics to be consistent, strong, stable—as the safety net for our vulnerable neighbors and a supportive partner to our community. One in five of our neighbors qualifies for our care.

Thanks to you, we are here to care!

“Caring for the Whole Person”

Almost 16 years ago, the vision for TFC became reality. Our original purpose was to ensure that low-income, uninsured patients had access to medical care. Our original clinic was (and still is) a free urgent care.

Our founders worked diligently to build resources to address the needs of patients—forming relationships with you, our community: with community pharmacies like Economy Drugs and Whitley’s Drugs; with hospitals like Pardee and Park Ridge for diagnostic testing; and with dozens of specialists. Thanks to your support and in response to patient need, some of these relationships evolved into whole programs, so that TFC now operates a Community Pharmacy and serves as the referral network for access to specialty care in Henderson and Polk Counties.

Every new resource, every new partner relationship, every new program stems from the same fundamental principle: we are called to ensure that low-income, uninsured patients have access to high quality care. More recently, as we have grown in our understanding of the impact of daily living upon our health and as we have listened to our patients describe the barriers they face, we have added new programming to address these barriers.

But throughout all our growth, we remain true to our original core clinic. Everything we do enhances the care we provide to our 1 in 5 vulnerable neighbors. And thanks to you, TFC continues to change lives, save lives, save resources, and deeply care for our neighbors in need.

You—our volunteers, donors, friends, partners, and advocates—YOU are TFC. Without you, TFC simply would not exist. To you all, we say a profound and deep THANK YOU! Thank you for your support! Thank you for your time, commitment, expertise, and passion! Thank you for trusting us to be the bridge between amazing community resources and tremendous community need, as the way in which you help ensure that our community truly cares for all our neighbors!



Judith Long
Executive Director

&

Marcus Jones
2016/2017 Board President



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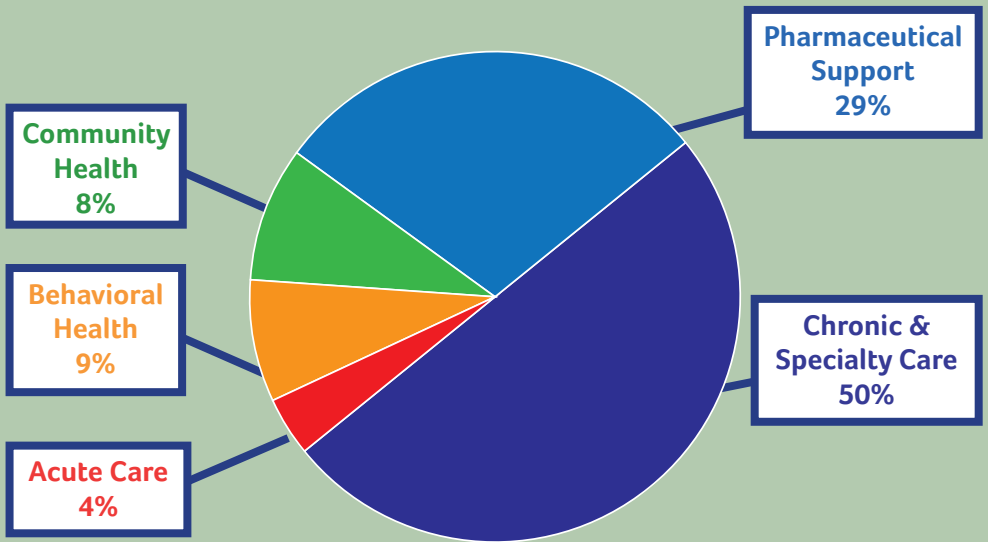
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Patient Interactions

In 2016-17, TFC provided a total of 22,434 patient encounters for 1,887 unduplicated patients:



Acute Care:
967 Encounters
Medical Clinic

Chronic and Specialty Care:
11,210 Encounters
Endocrine Clinic
Eye Clinic
Women's Wellness Clinic
Bridges to Health
Community Case Management
Diabetes Program

Mental Health Care:
2,119 Encounters
Counseling
Psychiatric Care Navigation
Psychiatric Clinic

Pharmaceutical Support:
6,424 Encounters
Community Pharmacy
Medi-Find Prescription
Assistance
Medication Therapy
Management

Community Health:
1,715 Encounters
Bikes 4 Life
Community Garden
Diabetes Education
Flu Shot Clinics
HealthWays
Patient Health Advocacy
Smoking Cessation
Wellness Screenings

TFC experienced an **11% increase** in patients and a **15% increase** in patient encounters over the prior year. Since 2008, TFC has experienced a **23% increase** in patients and a **689% increase** in patient encounters.

2016-17 Income & Expenses

The value of professional services given in 2016-17 was approximately **\$9M** with an annual cash budget of approximately **\$1.2M**

OUR RETURN ON INVESTMENT IS 7.5 TO 1!
TFC MULTIPLIES EVERY \$1 RECEIVED BY MORE THAN 7.5 TIMES WITH THE VALUE OF CARE WE PROVIDE

Total Income
\$4,869,588

In-kind Contributions
\$3,604,023

Grant Revenue
\$909,508

Contributions & Events
\$302,140

Other Income
\$53,197

Total Expenses
\$4,386,272

Program Services
\$4,132,300

Management & General
\$154,709

Fundraising
\$99,263

Please note: The figures that appear in this financial summary are derived from consolidated financial statements contained in an unqualified audit by Carland & Andersen, Inc. Our complete financial report is available upon request; please call Cassie Ashworth at (828) 697-8422.

Dane's Story



An Unlikely Alcoholic

Dane is your average young man. He is calm, down to earth, educated, and honest. He is a graduate from West Henderson High School and an Eagle Scout. He earned his B.A. in Forestry from Western Carolina University in 2008. Dane is driven and naturally talented in both wood-working and computer work. He longs to succeed as a responsible, hardworking adult. But beneath all this, Dane struggles with alcoholism every day, since his late teens.

He Hit Bottom

After graduating from college in 2008, Dane found it hard to find work in NC and decided to move to Florida. Unfortunately the economy was not any better in Florida at that time and even after submitting hundreds of resumes Dane was unable to find a job. In Florida, Dane spiraled and after three years of non-stop drinking, he hit rock bottom.

Dane moved back to Hendersonville to try and change his situation. Dane felt being with his family was a step in the right direction, even if he was still drinking. He managed to get a job, but had no health insurance. Unfortunately, his alcoholism had damaged his relationships with his family, his girlfriend, and friends. He knew in his heart he could not keep living the way he was, but he did not know how to make things better. He knew he needed help.

From Detox to The Free Clinics and BTH

Dane got the help he needed by going through the detox program at the Neil Dobbins Center. After completing detox, knowing Dane had no insurance, Neil Dobbins referred him to The Free Clinics.

At The Free Clinics, Dane participated in the Bridges to Health (BTH) program. In BTH, the healthcare team and the other patients in the program cared for Dane and helped him build his bridge to a healthier life.

Compassion and Quality Care

Dane was met with compassion in the BTH program. He could talk freely about his struggle without fear of being judged. The Free Clinics allowed Dane to receive the medical care he required, the prescription medications he needed, and weeks of individual counseling. BTH and TFC gave Dane the tools to help him stay sober and make his way forward. He is still using those tools today.

Relapses and Ongoing Inner Drive

Dane relapsed more than once while in the BTH program, but the BTH team never gave up on him. Dane did not give up either. When he needed to go through detox again, the doctor found a way for Dane to do it around his work schedule so he would not lose his job.

Today Dane works as a chef and owns his own business. Even though it is a daily struggle, Dane is proud to have been sober since Thanksgiving of 2016.

TFC's Bridges to Health Program

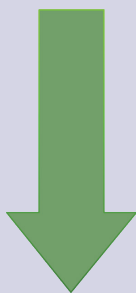
2016: A top-three finalist for the Kate B. Reynolds
Innovations in Rural Health Award

2017: The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation recognized Dr.
Steven Crane as the **2017 Health Equity Leader** for his vision
and leadership of BTH

Bridges to Health Patient Results since July of 2010

**Total Clients
over 600**

**55% Reduction
in
ED visits**



\$750,000

Reduction in uncompensated
hospital charges per year

\$5,250,000

Reduction in uncompensated
hospital charges since July
2010

Improvements among Enrolled Patients



91%

Housed instead
of Homeless



47%

Employed instead of
unemployed



55%

Displayed improvement
in at least 2 out of 4
Domains in their
Function Status

62%

Experienced reduction in
PHQ-9 Depression Score

87%

Patients with Diabetes
Healthy A1c<9

35%

BMI between
18.5-24.9

76%

Patients with Hypertension
with Healthy BP<140/90

Why Community Health?

A common question lately is why The Free Clinics has expanded our services to include offerings such as Patient Health Advocacy, Community Garden, Bikes 4 Life, and now HealthWays?

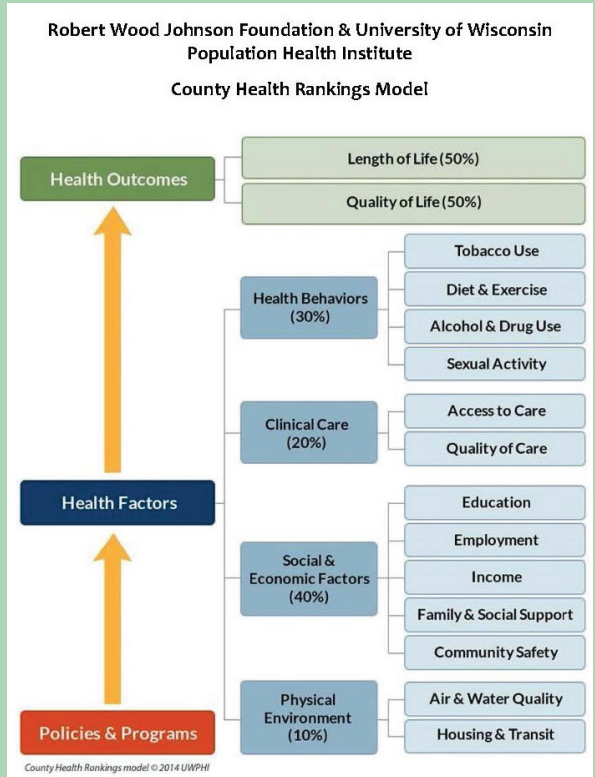
Quite simply: Health experts and leading research tell us that many factors affect our ability to get and stay healthy. (See Diagram right)

Diving further, socio-economic status determines 50% of health; access to healthy food, meaningful employment, safe housing, and reliable transportation directly affect our health.

The vulnerable patients TFC cares for need more than access to a doctor or prescription. Patients with diabetes on insulin need refrigeration which requires housing and electricity. Patients with cardiac concerns need access to food that does not have a high sodium or fat content. Patients with pulmonary issues need housing free of mold, vermin, or other pests. All need reliable transportation, safe housing, and healthy food.

TFC piloted our Patient Health Advocacy Program in 2015 to address the most common barriers faced by our vulnerable patients. As the patients engaged with our PHA and set personal goals to address their barriers, they advocated for, launched, and continue to volunteer with the Community Garden and Bikes 4 Life. Patients initiated these programs as creative, resourceful, low-cost, high-impact means of addressing barriers.

As they learned about and engaged their own health, they sought ways to share what they had learned with their neighbors. HealthWays is an award-winning, international, evidence-based project of peer education and support to make “healthy living contagious.”



Community Health Results



Patient Health Advocacy

addressing barriers to healthy living

- 11% of TFC's patients
- Personalized goal setting
- 86% of patients reported improvement in the circumstances that made them vulnerable to poor health



Community Garden

providing healthy food

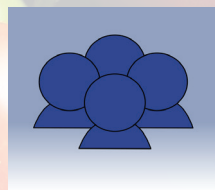
- Expanded from 3 beds to 10
- Maintained by patients
- Hundreds of pounds of food
- Distributed to all TFC patients, especially at pharmacy window
- Over 500 patients have received food from TFC's garden
- Added gleaning projects in 2017



Bikes 4 Life

offering reliable transportation

- Launched in November 2016 as pilot take-back to receive donated, used bikes
- Over 20 bikes distributed between January and June
- Ran out of bikes by summer, so another take-back scheduled for fall 2017



HealthWays

supporting healthy choices & living

- 20 people trained in March 2017
- Four groups underway by June
- 47 people engaged by June
- 100% report increase in physical activity
- 62% already experienced reduction in weight, blood pressure, and/or blood sugar
- First US site for Spanish-language program

Truly caring for our neighbors in need cannot stop with a doctor visit or a prescription. It means helping them to address barriers like food insecurity, homelessness or unsafe housing, and lack of transportation, as well as empowering them to make healthy living contagious—to make Henderson and Polk Counties healthy places to live, work, learn, and play.

Community Partnerships

The Free Clinics exists as a bridge between amazing community resources –like 274 volunteers, 178 health and community partners, and millions of dollars of donated goods and services—and tremendous community need—with one in five of our neighbors qualifying for our care. We care for almost 2,000 patients directly. And sometimes our best care is working through and with our partners. A few examples include:



Henderson County Detention Center

- \$277,000 worth of psychotropic medications dispensed to detainees in 2016
- Creating new Bridges to Health group in 2017

HopeRX

- Serving as fiscal agent for the project, including receiving grant funding for program expansion with Safelight
- Being the original pharmacy in WNC and still only free site for Naloxone distribution

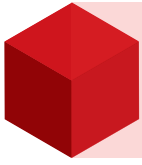


Safelight and Family Justice Center

- Partnering with Safelight and Park Ridge Health to create a new Sexual Assault Response Team for the moment of crisis and immediate aftermath, which includes TFC providing case management, appropriate medications, and referral for additional treatment
- Serving as a neutral, non-emergency department clinical space for forensic exams following a sexual assault

Polk County

The Free Clinics has cared for vulnerable patients
in Polk County since 2008



2017

All programs
and services
available



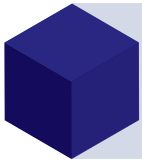
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Wellness
screening *locally*
in **Columbus** and
Saluda



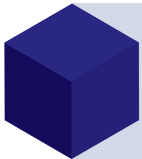
2015

Medi-Find Prescription Assistance Program,
Patient Health Advocacy and Community
Health Programs; and Pharmacy delivery
locally at **St. Luke's Hospital**



2014

Bridges to Health Program
and dedicated *local* Case
Manager in **Columbus**



2013

Community Case Management
Program and access to
specialists and diagnostic
testing



2012

All Clinics: medical, dental,
psychiatric, endocrinology,
ophthalmology, and physical
medicine & rehabilitation



2011

Smoking
Cessation
Program



2008

Community
Pharmacy

**Value of Care to vulnerable
Polk County residents in
2016-17:**

\$1,017,600

Unduplicated patients:
174

Prescriptions delivered:
2,719

**Specialty Care Appointments
(on and off site):**
106

Our Health & Community Partners

TFC is a collaborative network, deeply inbedded in our community, enabling care for the most vulnerable in Henderson & Polk Counties. We celebrate our 178 amazing partners. In 2016-17 TFC made **230 referrals to specialists** who generously provided free or reduced fee services and arranged **62 surgical procedures**.

4 Principal Hospital Partners

Value of Care Provided 2016-17: \$338,535

Mission Health System
Pardee UNC Health Care

Park Ridge Health
St. Luke's Hospital

174 Medical, Specialty & Community Referral Partners

Value of Care Provided 2016-17: \$512,731

ABC Podiatry
Allergy Partners of WNC
Asheville Cardiology Assoc.
Asheville Eye Associates
Asheville Gastroenterology—
Hepatology
Asheville Orthopedics
Dayle Benedetti, LPC
The Bicycle Company
Biggerts Hearing
Instruments
The Blood Connection
Blue Ridge Bicycle Club
Blue Ridge Bone and Joint—
Hendersonville & Asheville
Blue Ridge Community
College—Pharmacy Club
Blue Ridge Health—7th
Avenue, Arden, Brevard,
Chimney Rock Road,
Hendersonville Family, Polk
Wellness, Stokes Dental
Blue Ridge Medical Assoc.
Blue Ridge Plastic Surgery
Broughton Hospital
CareShare
Carolina Anesthesia Assoc.
Carolina Hand and Sports
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Physicians
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Flat Rock Vision
Foothills Health Network
Foothills Medical Associates
Four Seasons Compassion
for Life
Garrison Family Dentistry
John Godehn, MD
Janet Hall, LCSW
George Hartman, MD
Henderson County
Department of Public
Health
Henderson County
Department of Social
Services

Henderson County
Detention Center
Henderson County Mental
Health Faith Collaborative
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Hendersonville Family
Dental
Hendersonville Hermatology
& Oncology at Pardee
Hendersonville Housing
Authority
Hendersonville Lions Club
Hendersonville Orthopedic
at Pardee
Hendersonville Radiological
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Hendersonville Rescue
Mission
Holleman Surgical
Homeward Bound
HopeRx
Hope Women's Cancer
Center
Ty Hornsby, DDS
The Hub
Tom Hummert, DDS

Housing Assistance Corporation	Park Ridge Anesthesiology Services	Shelton Pharmacy
Interfaith Assistance Ministries	Park Ridge Cardiology	Skyland Prosthetics & Orthopedics
Joseph's Outreach Ministry	Park Ridge Ear, Nose & Throat	Smoky Mountain Center
Jim Kessar, DDS	Park Ridge Health at Laurel Park	Society of St. Andrew
Laborde Eye Group—Macular Center	Park Ridge Health Endocrinology	Southeastern Sports Medicine
Lamond Family Medicine	Park Ridge Health General Surgery	St. James Medical Loan Closet
Laurel Park Chiropractic	Park Ridge Health Neurology	St. Luke's Surgical Assoc.
Lincare Home Medical Systems	Park Ridge Health Obstetrics & Gynecology	The Storehouse
Looking Glass Eye Center	Park Ridge Health Wellness on Wheels (WOW)	John Strickland, DDS
Pamela Lowe-Hoyt, MD	Park Ridge Health Wound Care	TASK Treatment Accountability
MAHEC	Park Ridge Hearing and Balance	Thrive
MAHEC Family Health Center at Lake Lure	Park Ridge Medical Assoc.	VMAC Anesthesia Assoc. at St. Luke's
MAHEC Women's Center	Park Ridge Medical Assoc.: Division of Surgery	Vocational Rehabilitation-Hendersonville
The Meeting Place	Park Ridge Oncology and Infusion	Wake Forest University Baptist Medical
Mountain Counseling	Park Ridge Psychiatry	Walgreen's Pharmacy—Hendersonville (Spartanburg Rd., Asheville Hwy)
Mountain Diabetes and Endocrine	Park Ridge Pulmonology and Sleep Medicine	Walmart Pharmacy — Hendersonville
Mountain Faith Initiative	Park Ridge Urology	Western Carolina Community Action
Mountain Kidney & Hypertension Assoc.—Hendersonville	Park Ridge Women's Services	Western Carolina University— School of Nursing
NAMI Four Seasons	Partnership for Health	Western North Carolina Rheumatology
NC Cooperative Extension	Pathologist Medical Laboratory	Wingate University
NC Division of Services for the Blind	PATHS at Pardee	WNC AIDS Project
NC State University, College of Agriculture and Life Science	PBJ	WNC Community Health Services
Neurological Assoc.—Rutherfordon	Piedmont Rheumatology	WNC Dermatological Assoc.
Pardee Center for Women's Health	Pisgah Legal Services	WNC Family Medical Center
Pardee Family Medicine Assoc.—Bat Cave, Etowah, Hendersonville	Pisgah Physical Therapy & Sports Rehab, Inc.	WNC Rheumatology
Pardee Fletcher Medical Assoc.	Polk County Department of Social Services	WNC Surgical Associates
Pardee Mills River Family Medicine	Polk County Transportation Authority	YMCA of Western North Carolina
Pardee Neurological Assoc.	Recovery Venture	
Pardee Pain Center	RHA Health Services	
Pardee Rehabilitation & Wellness Center	Rheumatology at Pardee	
Pardee Surgical Assoc.	Richards Dental Care	
Pardee Urological Assoc.	Rockcliff Oral Surgery	
Pardee Wound Care Center	Rosenberg Bone & Joint	
	Safelight	
	Saluda Senior Center	
	Salvation Army	

These volunteers CARE about our Neighbors in Need!

*During 2016-17, 274 volunteers
donated countless hours of service and
enabled every patient encounter at TFC.
We celebrate with profound
gratitude the incredible generosity of our
community of volunteers.*



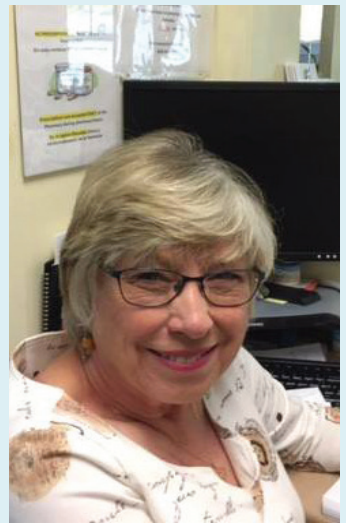
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