



**Health Partners
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Annual Report 2007-2008



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Dear Friends

Health Partners Free Clinic was created in the late 1990s to provide medical care for the uninsured and underinsured of Miami County. Physicians and nurse practitioners volunteer their time. There is no cost to our patients. Most of our patients are employed – some at 2-3 jobs – but they are faced with the choice of unaffordable health insurance costs, or – in the case of high-deductible policies – unaffordable medical care.

During the first eight years of our history, working from space provided by the Miami County Health Department, we were able to provide a total of four hours of free medical care per week. Our expenses were met by grants from United Ways, every foundation in Miami County, a number of local organizations and gifts from many individual citizens.

The Health Partners Board responded to the huge and growing need for our services by purchasing land and constructing a new building, the Paul G. Duke Health Center, at 1300 North 25A, in Troy. This building was funded with lead donations from The Duke Foundation and the Troy Foundation, and contributions followed by many other foundations and individuals throughout Miami County. The cost of the building was fully subscribed shortly after we broke ground.

During the almost 18 months we have been privileged to work in the Duke Health Center, we have expanded our services dramatically.

- We have gone from providing 4-5 hours of care per week to providing 18-20 hours per week.
- We have tripled the number of patients for whom we provide care, and are now able to provide continuity of care for patients with chronic health problems, particularly diabetes, hypertension, and chronic lung disease.

Through the generous gift of volunteer time by physicians, nurses and others, we are able to provide care and services valued far beyond the monies received. How much more? Please see our numbers included in this report.

We believe that the judgment of the board in constructing the Duke Health Center has been confirmed by the increased depth of care we now provide to many more people. This has also, obviously, greatly increased our expenses. For the time being, we rely on individual grants and contributions, as we explore possible sources of continuing funding, both for our financial stability and to permit further expansion of our care. We are developing Endowment Funds to cover some of the operating expenses associated with the building.

We are grateful for the many individuals and organizations that have already provided support. We request your continued financial support and seek new financial and volunteer support. We also invite you to schedule a tour of the Health Partners Free Clinic to see firsthand the services we provide Miami County citizens and to see whether you may have time and energies to contribute to our mission.

Sincerely,
B. Mark Hess, MD , Medical Director
Jessica Minesinger, President of the Board



B. Mark Hess, MD



Jessica Minesinger



“We leveraged our dollars so that for each dollar spent, \$3.94 of free health care was given away!”

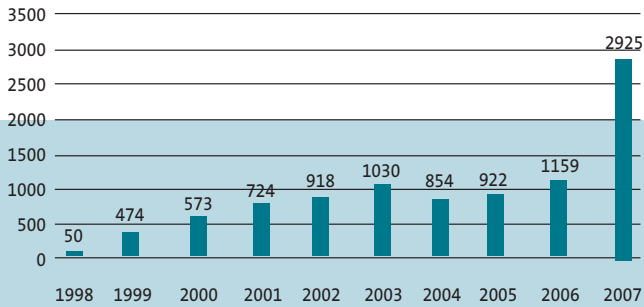
Five Fast Facts

- It is estimated that more than 20,000 Miami County Residents are uninsured or underinsured. 80% of these individuals are employed.
- Since opening our new facility 18 months ago we have tripled the number of patients for whom we provide care and have gone from 4-5 hours of care per week to 18-20 per week.
- In our fiscal year July 2007 through June 2008 Health Partners Free Clinic provided the following patient care at no charge to the patient or the Miami County community;
 - 2925 Patient Visits
 - 2132 Diagnostic Tests
 - 8,527 Free Prescriptions Dispensed
 - 5,000 Volunteer Hours Donated
- The total market value of care provided last year to Miami County residents was over \$949,429.
- For every \$1 invested in Health Partners we are able to provide \$3.94 in patient services to individuals in Miami County.

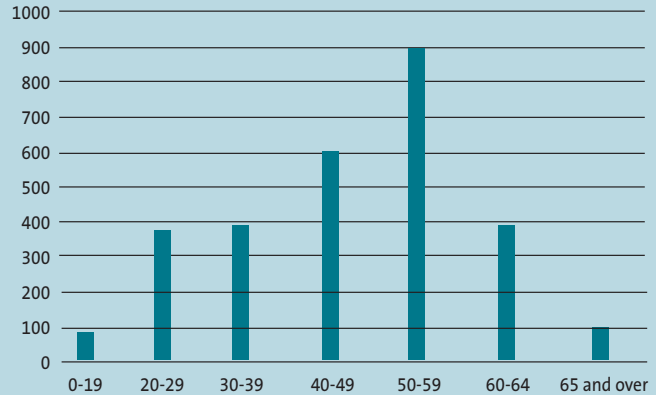


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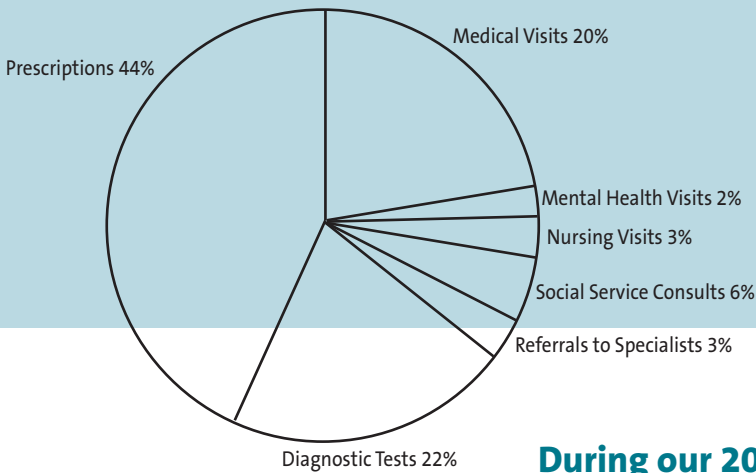
Patient visits by year



Patients by Age Group 2007-2008



Services Provided 2007-2008



During our 2007-2008 fiscal year, services included the following:

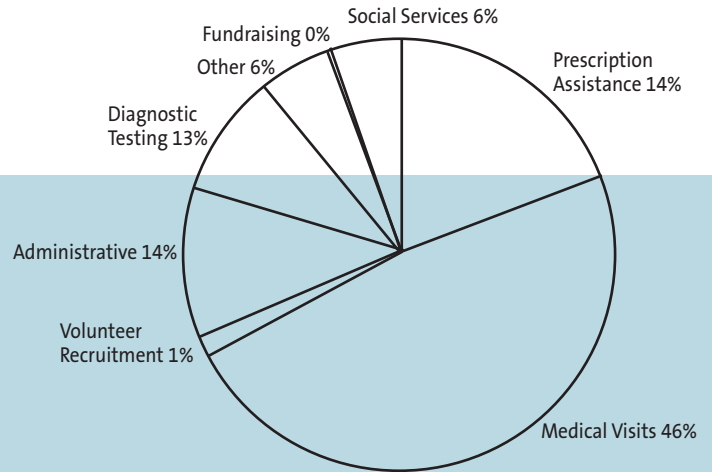
Service	Number	Value
Medical Visits	1,628	\$162,800
Mental Health Visits	150	\$15,000
Nursing Visits	446	\$22,300
Social Service Consults	554	\$55,400
Visits to Specialists	160	\$28,800
Diagnostic Tests	2,132	\$96,144
Prescriptions	8,527	\$468,985

Where does the money come from and go to?

Health Partners is also an organization that could spend every penny it gets. Great effort is put into fiscal responsibility. Several Board Directors are very active in overseeing all aspects of spending and money management. Program and administrative expenses for 2007-2008 were as follows:

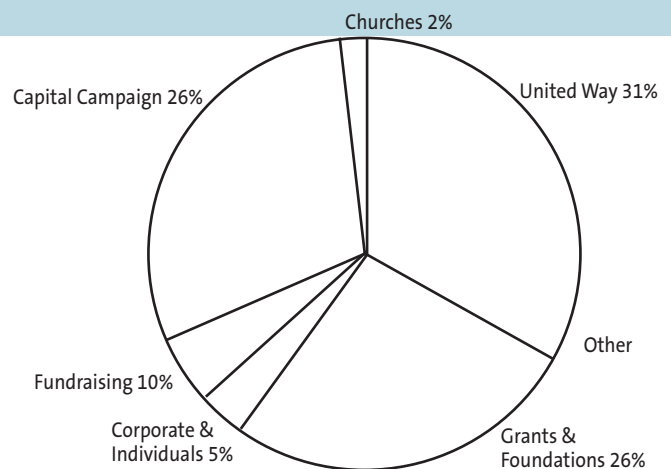
Prescription Assistance	\$37,584.00
Medical Visits	\$124,658.00
Volunteer Recruitment	\$3,521.00
Administrative	\$38,428.00
Diagnostic Testing	\$35,053.00
Other	\$17,448.00
Fundraising	\$1,322.00
Social Service Visits	\$16,469.00
Total	\$274,483.00

2007-2008 Expenses



Health Partners is not, and never will be, a revenue generating organization. All services are provided at no cost to the patient. We have worked hard to ensure diverse funding sources.

2007-2008 Revenue



Most of the money generated for this program is local dollars. Health Partners is very fortunate to be in a county with such generous individuals and organizations.

Value

Hello,



My name is Darlene Gibbs and I would like to share a story with you about Health Partners Free Clinic.

In 1999 – 2000 I was diagnosed with a chronic pain condition called fibromyalgia. This condition affects my life everyday. You never knew how your day would start; pain-free or in so much pain you had to stay in bed.

The medications that were prescribed for me came to a total of 13 medicines! I also have other ailments that come along with the fibromyalgia. These are tremors, nervousness, numbness and osteoarthritis in both hands. How was I going to pay for all these medications? I was disabled and my husband works at Wal-Mart.

Some years ago, I read a story in a local newspaper about a clinic that was going to give free medical help for those that had no insurance. I was so relieved!

My husband and I were there on the very first evening they opened. I think we both had the flu. When we met Deborah Miller it was like an angel coming to us in our time of need! We have built a great relationship with Deborah and her staff! They have helped us for many years.

I sometimes wonder where I would be if Deborah and Health Partners were not there to help us! I would probabl

With the help I received from Deborah and her great staff, I can lead a normal life.

Oh, by the way, I am only on 7 (seven) medications, thanks to Health Partners!

Darlene Gibbs
6-19-08

Health Partners has helped me in so many ways that it's hard to pinpoint just a few things of what they have done for me. Even though I don't have insurance or any medical coverage, Health Partners has never turned me away. I've been helped with my medication for Diabetes, Rheumatoid Arthritis and Underactive Thyroid. If it wasn't for Dr. Hess I wouldn't get the doctor care that I need. I was told that I could end up in a wheelchair if something wasn't done about the progression of my R.A., but here I am - still going strong, working at my job everyday so I can continue to support and take care of my family.

All the people that work or volunteer at Health Partners are so kind and have never treated me like I am less of a person just because of my financial situation.

Clarissa Lynn
July 2008

Appreciation



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