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WHAT HAPPENS, THANKS TO YOUR GENEROSITY

# Donna receives life-giving surgery because of donors like you

Not knowing what to do and believing she was not worthy to receive treatment, Donna began to pray.

She asked God to help her and show her what to do. Donna says with tears in her eyes, "He sent me some help." Donna attends Hanceville Church of Christ where several ladies decided to help Donna get the care she desperately needed. The process of treatment began when one of Donna's church friends printed the clinic's eligibility application from the website, and Donna filled it out. From that point on, the ladies from her church have been by her side, taking her to appointments and seeing her through surgery and recovery. When Donna's friends brought her to the clinic, Randa, the Clinic's Nurse Practitioner, knew that she needed medical attention quickly. After meeting Donna's immediate medical needs, Randa referred Donna to a specialist who could provide her with more specialized care. (Continued on next page)



Donna, three-weeks post-op, is blessed to have sweet church friends like Ms. Atkins to help her along her journey of treatment and recovery.

Donna encourages others without health insurance not to wait as long as she did before getting help from Good Samaritan. "There's no need to suffer the way I did. I didn't know there were so many people and resources available to help." To learn more about the eligibility requirements and how to apply, go to <a href="www.goodsamaritancullman.com">www.goodsamaritancullman.com</a>.

# 2017 SPRING NEWSLETTER

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The mission of Good Samaritan is to deliver sustainable, long-term health-care and all-around wellness to the uninsured members of our Community.

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**Ultimately, Donna had surgery to remove a 20-pound tu-mor from her abdomen.** Now, Donna comes to the clinic for her follow-up care. Donna is grateful to the staff not only for getting her the medical care she needed but also for helping her to overcome her fear. Donna was afraid she'd be judged because it (the tumor) had gotten so bad. She knew treatment would cost a lot, and she couldn't pay for it. Donna speaks fondly of the staff saying, "They will help you overcome the fear you may have. They are not judgmental and are very warm."

I'm very grateful to people who give money to this place (clinic) because I could never afford what they have given me.

None of this would have been possible without the resources available to our patients through your monetary support and donation of in-kind services. Donna says, "I'm very grateful to people who give money to this place (clinic) because I could never afford what they have given me." She truly believes her life has been given back to her. Just five weeks after surgery, she is able to enjoy doing things she used to do before like cooking, taking care of her mother, walking, and drawing.



Ms. Freeman shares in the joy of being able to help her friend get the care she desperately needed.



Clinic staff, Jessica and Randa, happy to see the progress Donna has made five weeks after her life-giving surgery.







MAKING A DIFFERENCE THROUGH COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

# Clinic partners with Cullman Church of Christ to provide health screenings

On March 21, Clinic nursing volunteers provided 117 health screenings (blood pressure, glucose, and body mass index) at Cullman Church of Christ in conjunction with their monthly community meal. In addition to receiving a delicious hot meal and health screenings, participants received free non-prescription medications, health education, and information on free medical care available for the uninsured through Good Samaritan Clinic. A special Thank You to the Cullman County Extension Office for joining our efforts to educate everyone on proper nutrition. We appreciate our community partners!

## Thanks to the support of the Cullman Community, Clinic expands services for our patients

Many of the Clinic's patients have chronic medical conditions which require routine office visits and maintenance medications; a key component of their treatment plan is education. Thanks to funding from the ALProHealth grant from the CDC, Good Samaritan Clinic is now able to better serve our patients by providing them access to much needed educational resources. Whether our patients have chronic conditions and need information on how to best manage their health or simply want to maintain a healthier lifestyle, Good Samaritan Clinic now has the resources available to help them. Thank you, Cullman County Extension Office, for providing our patients with these wonderful resources through this grant.



Nursing volunteers help educate our patients using teaching models and educational materials provided through County Extension grant.



Patients have access to on-line resources to complete their eligibility application or print medical information to help them better manage their health.

# SPECIAL WAYS YOU CAN SUPPORT GOOD SAMARITAN'S MISSION:

- **Pray for our efforts** Join us in praying that we will be a blessing to the patients who come into the Clinic each day and that God will continue to provide the necessary resources for us to fulfill our mission.
- 2 Amazon Smile Shop through the Amazon Smile website (https://smile.amazon.com/) and select Good Samaritan Health Clinic of Cullman, Inc. as your charity of choice. Amazon will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to Good Samaritan. It's that easy!
- Mission Possible Bargain Center A Ministry of the Jimmie Hale Mission Every time you donate items to the Mission Possible Bargain Center on behalf of Good Samaritan Health Clinic, the Clinic receives Bargain Center credits that allow us to help our patients in need. As the donor, you will receive a tax-deductible donation receipt at time of drop off. The Bargain Center is located at 306 Main Street SE, Hanceville, AL 35077, (256) 352-6068.
- Legacy and Bequests You can have a real and lasting impact on the lives of many Cullman County residents by including Good Samaritan Health Clinic in your Last Will and Testament or through your life insurance, a charitable annuity, or retirements assets. Regarding these and other options, please consult your financial or tax advisor for advice on how you can have the maximum impact for Good Samaritan, while maintaining your specific estate planning needs.
- Volunteer If you are a Registered Nurse, we would love to have you volunteer by providing health screenings at community events. Join us as we go into the community to increase awareness of the Clinic as well as identify uninsured, at-risk patients who can benefit from our services. To print a volunteer application, go to <a href="https://www.goodsamaritancullman.com">www.goodsamaritancullman.com</a> and click on Giving to GSHC, then Volunteer.

For a list of additional Continuous Giving Opportunities, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.goodsamaritan-cullman.com/giving/give.html">www.goodsamaritan-cullman.com/giving/give.html</a>





## **3rd Annual Caring for Cullman Concert**

Save the date for the Clinic's benefit concert, Monday, September 18 at Cullman High School Auditorium.

Make plans to attend and support a worthy cause while enjoying a great evening of entertainment. Additional concert details are available through the Clinic's fundraising event line at 256-255-5965.



Traveling throughout the Southeast, Cullman's Bama Blu-Grace has been sharing their smooth gospel blue grass music for 17 years.



For a third year, the award-winning Triumphant Quartet with bass singer and Cullman native, Eric Bennett, will be headlining performers.

# **Want to be a Concert Sponsor?**

## Your concert sponsorship will make a difference...

#### \$5,000 (Platinum Sponsor)

Supplements 2 ½ months of medications for our patients

#### \$1,000 (Gold Sponsor)

Provides care for 13 patient visits

#### \$500 (Silver Sponsor)

Provides care for one Good Samaritan patient for an entire year

#### \$100 (Bronze Sponsor)

Supplements supplies and medication for three diabetic patients for an entire year

Sponsors contributing \$100 or more will receive two general admission tickets to the event (\$30 value). Sponsors will be recognized by their giving level at the event and on our website and social media. If you wish to remain anonymous, please let us know.

To be an event sponsor, please complete the enclosed **Sponsorship Form** with sponsor name (and contact name if different than sponsor) as it should be listed in event program and mail form, along with donation, in the self-addressed envelope provided. We will mail your two tickets to you prior to the event.

Thank you in advance for your support!



# In 2016, Good Samaritan Clinic:

**SERVED** 

2,986

PATIENT VISITS
INCLUDING
MEDICAL,
DENTAL,
HEARING,
AND LABS

**ACCEPTED** 

193

NEW PATIENTS
WHO QUALIFIED
FOR OUR
SERVICES (A
38% INCREASE
FROM 2015)

FILLED

11,015

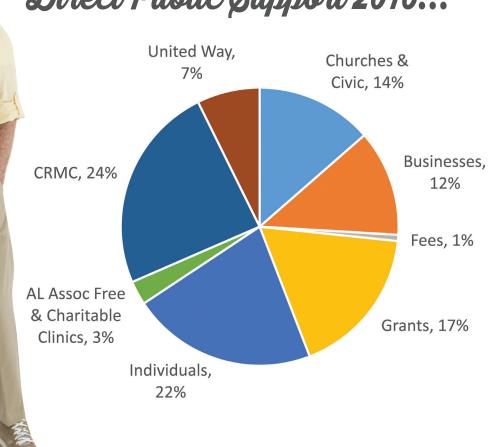
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VALUED AT
\$3.35 MILLION

HAD

1,325

TOTAL HOURS VOLUNTEERED AT THE CLINIC





## We gratefully acknowledge our supporters from April through September 2016

Good Samaritan Clinic is thankful for your generosity as we endeavor to meet the medical needs of the uninsured in our community. Whether you support us through monetary donations, volunteer service, or the donation of in-kind products/services, we appreciate the invaluable support each of you provide to the clinic.

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