November 20, 2019



Dear Friends:

We are writing to ask for your support in funding our mission. For over 27 years, Spectrum Health Care has been your leading HIV/STD/I prevention resource focused on education, early detection, compassionate care facilitation, and primary health care services in our large, mainly rural, 37-county service area.

Our mission is to provide comprehensive health education, early detection, and care services. We accomplish this by providing a full spectrum of case management, housing, prevention education, healthcare and insurance navigation, and clinical services for more than 9,535 individuals per year. Compassionate care provided by the culturally competent staff has always been a philosophy at the core of our mission since 1992. We believe that everyone should have access to affordable and accessible healthcare services provided by professionals who respect their needs and concerns.



Over the years, Spectrum Health Care has continued to respond to the needs of the community. In addition to opening a new full-service Primary Health Care Clinic in 2017, Spectrum added *Access for All*, a Missouri Foundation for Health-funded program which provides Certified Application Counselors (formerly Insurance Navigators) and Community Health Workers in the community to negotiate the process of getting

uninsured individuals insured, finding compatible service providers, and assisting those who are low-/no-income and under-/un-insured with referrals to providers and payment options. Since our new fiscal year began in July 2019, *Access for All* has helped over 400 individuals in locating and enrolling in healthcare insurance; negotiated over \$10,000 in savings for our clients through our negotiated rates with providers; and alleviated the financial burden by providing payments for health services on behalf of 73 clients.

In 2019, Spectrum conducted a Gap Assessment Survey of healthcare providers across the region to learn more about the individual providers in the service region, the associations, and partnerships between organizations, and to identify exactly where the service gaps are for our patients/clients/rural residents. Not surprisingly, transportation was confirmed to be a significant barrier for our rural residents in accessing healthcare and social services.

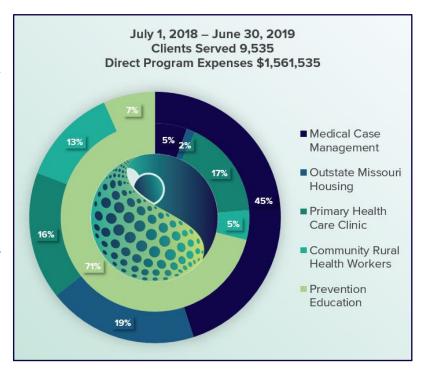
To that end, in 2020 we will be launching the HealthTran Program – *A Community-Based Solution to Health-Related Transportation Challenges.* The HealthTran program, in partnership with the Missouri Rural Health Association, targets low-income, uninsured, and marginalized individuals unable to access transportation through other channels, such as Medicaid non-emergency medical transportation, veterans' transportation assistance, and otherwise could not afford costs of needed transportation for health purposes.

Your Health in Full Spectrum!

Our Investment in **YOUR** Community

The graphic to the right depicts the percentage break down for 9,535 unduplicated individuals served by program entry for our fiscal year ending June 30, 2019 (outer ring); the graphic also shows the total cost of the program operation relative to the numbers served (inner ring).

Spectrum Health Care is committed to tackling health disparities and inequities in access to health care. We believe that if we can change the health care experience in our service region, everyone will feel safe, welcomed, and affirmed, and more likely to seek care.



Moving forward into 2020, we pledge to strategically:

Where better Health and Compassionate Care Meet

- Provide high-quality primary care services to improve and increase access to care for those not engaged in care due to stigma and other barriers.
- Support and make referrals to our rural network of primary care providers dedicated to providing culturally competent and affordable health care services for our clients.
- Meet gaps in primary care for all clients in our service region.
- Continue to provide accessible and cost-effective HIV/STD/Hepatitis C prevention education and testing services to at-risk persons and communities.

Spectrum appreciates your time and attention to our request and hopes that we have conveyed to you the impact that your support can make. You may complete the included form and mail your check (payable to Spectrum Health Care) to our office or make your donation online at www.SpectrumHealthCare.org.

Your generous support will ensure we can meet the health care needs of Mid-Missourians. We look forward to our ongoing partnership with you!

With much gratitude,

Executive Director



Where Better Health and Compassionate Care Meet

Primary Health Care • Medical Case Management • Housing/Utilities
Community Health Workers • Free HIV/STD/Hepatitis Testing
Free Educational Presentations • Select Co-pay & Medications Assistance



Counties where SHC provides services



Primary Care Clinic patients in 2019



FREE condoms distributed in 2019



The total number of persons engaged in health education sessions

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A FEW QUICK FACTS
ABOUT PROGRAMS THAT
SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY

The number of persons who can make a difference – Is that person you?



Clients enrolled in Medical Case Management in 2019



Individuals tested for STIs in 2019 – for a donation or NO COST!



Miles travelled to assist clients

25
Total number of staff who work for SHC

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