

GETTING TO KNOW AMERICA'S FREE & CHARITABLE CLINICS

Over 1,200 Free & Charitable Clinics are located throughout the United States. These clinics are truly the community's response to the healthcare needs in their area.

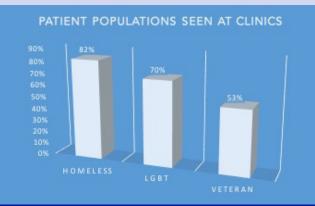
DID YOU KNOW... that Free & Charitable Clinics operate with little to NO state or federal funding?



WHAT IS A FREE OR CHARITABLE CLINIC? Free and Charitable Clinics are safety-net health care organizations that utilize a volunteer/staff model to provide a range of medical, dental, pharmacy, vision and/or behavioral health services to economically disadvantaged individuals. Such clinics are 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organizations, or operate as a program component or affiliate of a 501(c)(3) organization. Entities that otherwise meet the above definition, but charge a nominal/sliding fee to patients, may still be considered Free or Charitable Clinics provided essential services are delivered regardless of the patient's ability to pay. Free or Charitable Clinics restrict eligibility for their services to individuals who are uninsured, underinsured and/or have limited or no access to primary, specialty or prescription health care.

In 2015, Free & Charitable Clinics have seen

1.7 MILLION unduplicated patients & 5.9 MILLION patient visits and have utilized 160,000 volunteers, including over 30,000 medical providers, 21,000 nurses and almost 71,000 non-medical volunteers



- 43% of clinics have an operating budget under \$100,000
- Every **\$1 donated** to a member clinic provides a minimum of **\$5 worth of healthcare services**
- 47% of Free & Charitable Clinics report seeing patients that are insured - a result of unaffordable co-pays, medications, lack of dental & mental health coverage, etc.