

SPRING NEWSLETTER



**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY
CHRISTIAN HEALTH CENTER**



**DR. JEFFREY TRASK,
FOUNDER OF
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY
CHRISTIAN HEALTH
CENTER**

The healthcare system in the United States is in a constant state of motion. Countless moving parts translate into healthcare being provided to millions of people across the country every year. Unfortunately, too often, the system fails to provide healthcare to the uninsured and underinsured. At the state level, Illinois is working towards closing the gaps in care for the most vulnerable through various policies and proposals. One of the proposals being considered is continued funding for free and charitable clinics throughout Illinois given through the Illinois Association of Free and Charitable Clinics. Last year, Illinois budgeted \$9 million to be allocated to support the work of free and charitable clinics across the state. CCCHC received a small portion of it as part of that funding and anticipate receiving new funds after the next state budget is approved. These funds go towards paying a fantastic CCCHC staff, buying medical and dental equipment, covering patients' lab costs, health-based outreach events, and several other health services needed by our neighbors of Champaign County.

Additionally, funding beyond grant funds go towards paying for the wonderful new facility and associated building costs along with other vital support services to run the clinic.

As the founder of CCCHC, I am humbled by the growth of the clinic over the past couple of years and hope the clinic can not only continue providing needed healthcare, but expand the medical, dental, mental, and spiritual health care services to those in need. CCCHC will continue to press on until everyone in Champaign County has access to basic healthcare services.

While the road has been tread with many obstacles, for nearly 20 years, CCCHC has provided free healthcare for thousands of people in need. I hope more will join our efforts as there is still a need as many people are still falling through the cracks.



2023 SO FAR!



Last clinic night at temporary location



Moving into our new space!



OSF donates lab supplies



Turning a closet into a labroom



Received \$118,000 in state funding from IAFC



Carle prints our new brochures



Christie Clinic 5k Outreach



Setting up our nurse station!



Ebenezer Church Outreach



Patient Testimonial

"I've been a patient at CCCHC since you guys were at Salt and Light around 2004. You guys have been there for me to stand by me through my struggles every time.

Through the years, doctors, staff, and even students may have retired and moved on, but one thing that remains the same is the amount of care every staff has for the patients, and it's amazing. I can't speak enough about it. You guys have been a blessing. To tell you how far I came from when I first came to CCCHC, my anxiety and PTSD made me suffer so much that it affected me on my jobs. I would have anxiety and panic attacks almost every day at work. Now, with medications and the grace of God, I do outreach for my new job where I speak to senior and venture communities about products and services that help the deaf and the hard of hearing. Thank you Champaign County Christian Health Center!"

- CCCHC Patient



Nurse Testimonial

Volunteering as a nurse with CCCHC has been a great way to be able to use the professional skill set that God has given me in a way that serves people in our community. I have enjoyed the opportunity to work with the other local healthcare professionals and the healthcare student volunteers. I love seeing the whole team come together from many places, backgrounds, and skill sets to care for a diverse set of patients, helping these patients overcome the hurdles of obtaining healthcare when uninsured or underinsured.

-Alyssa Brewer, RN, Nurse Supervisor



Student Testimonial

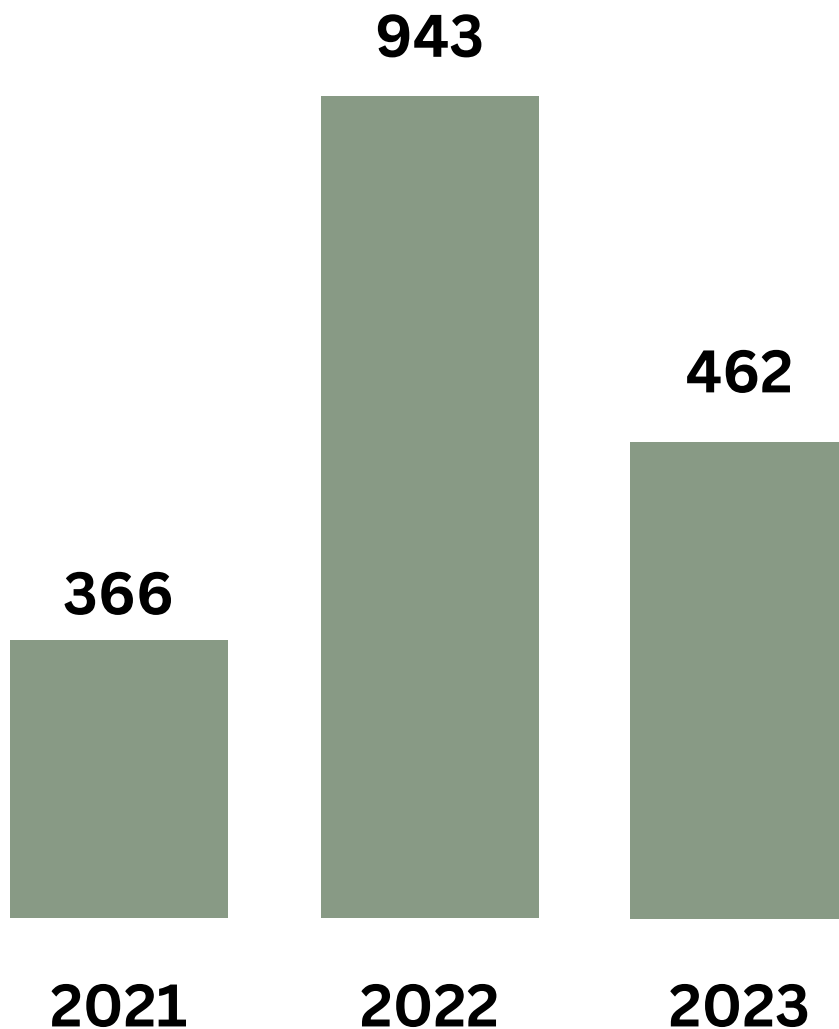
"I love volunteering at CCCHC because of the people. All the volunteers are friendly, welcoming, and extremely giving. I truly enjoy every little interaction I have with the patients and having the opportunity to scribe for the amazing providers at CCCHC. I've been a volunteer for about 2 years now and I don't regret my decision to volunteer at CCCHC! I am glad to be able to continue giving back to the community through this role and working with the volunteers I love."

-Sani Kimura





Total Patients Served



Our patient numbers are increasing! We are on our way to surpassing our 2022 patient number served this year. We hope to continue this trend till the of the year!





CHAMPAIGN COUNTY CHRISTIAN HEALTH CENTER

Open House & Health Fair

COME AND CELEBRATE OUR MOVE TO OUR NEW BUILDING WITH US!

WE

MOVED!

- FOOD
- MUSIC
- GIVEAWAYS
- TAKE A TOUR OF OUR CLINIC
- MEET OUR VOLUNTEERS
- FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS
- SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT
- SCHEDULE A SCHOOL PHYSICAL

There's No Place Like Home!

JUNE 24TH 2023
TIME 2PM-7PM

1401 S STATE ST, SUITE B
CHAMPAIGN, IL 61820

[HTTPS://WWW.CCCHC2003.ORG](https://www.ccchc2003.org)
APPOINTMENT LINE: 217-407-5683
OFFICE LINE: (217) 398-2914

We'd also like to invite the community to our Openhouse/Health Fair on Saturday, June 24th. We will have food, music, giveaways, and prizes. This is a great opportunity for people to take a tour of our new building, learn more about us, and meet our wonderful volunteers.



"CCCHC Pharmacy assistance program extends a helping hand to the uninsured, bridging the gap between affordability and access to vital medications, ensuring that no one is left behind for having good health. Through our partnership with GoodPill, a non-profit pharmacy, we were able to support various patients. One patient diagnosed with Diabetes, Hypertriglyceridemia, and hypertension received the medication at an incredibly affordable cost. With a mere payment of \$12, the patient experienced substantial savings amounting to \$334.22. It brings us great satisfaction to have contributed to the patient's well-being and financial relief through this collaborative effort"

Josselyn Velepucha, MD

Nurse Assistant/ Pharmacy Assistance Coordinator



"As the outreach coordinator, it's my job to make sure that as many people as possible know about our services. This past month, we have been reaching out to local churches and leaders that serve the immigrant population. We recently met John, the President of the Congolese Community of Champaign County, a group that serves the Congolese community. Through his help, we have been able to share our services with many of the people he serves. We are also working to build our connections with Churches that serve the immigrant population. We had the opportunity to visit Eben Ezer on May 21st, a church where the entire population speaks French. With the help of Pastor Cesar, his wife, and a few other members, we were able to share our services with everyone and collected contact info for 20+ people to see a doctor!"

Teddie Hill, M.S.

Outreach Coordinator



"As the volunteer coordinator, my role is to oversee our volunteer staff and day-to-day clinic operations. Our clinic would not be able to operate without the support of dedicated volunteers with a passion for serving our community. I ensure that our volunteer team made up of students, nurses, providers, etc. feels supported in order to be able to provide quality patient care. Most of our patients have not been to a healthcare facility in years and have had negative experiences trying to seek care elsewhere. Our goal is to make every patient feel welcomed, heard, and respected as soon as they walk through our doors. The positive feedback we get from patients after their visits is encouraging to continue doing what we do! We are always looking to grow our volunteer team in order to be able to meet the needs of the community!"

Crystal Mercado, B.S

Volunteer Coordinator

Fundraising



Our goal is to raise
\$425,000
over the next 2 years
to pay off our building.
With your help we can!

Will you help us reach our goal?

Save the Date!

Join us at our Fundraising Dinner
IHOTEL Chancellor Ballroom
October 28, 2023



From our Executive Director

During this beautiful Spring season, I want to take this time to thank all of our supporters who continue to support our mission year after year. Because of you, we now have our own building, a place that our patients can call home. We are still working towards resuming all of our services since the pandemic hit, and still fixing up exam rooms, ordering medical and dental equipment, but we are almost there. However, we are still very much in need of funding to help maintain this beautiful new place, so we continue to fundraise, and appreciate all our supporters who keep giving their time, talents and treasures to support the work that we do for the CU community.

Words cannot express how grateful I am for all of our doctors, nurses, students, staff and partners in the community who love the work that we do so much that they continue to support our mission which is to share and show the love of Jesus Christ by providing free holistic quality healthcare services to the uninsured and underinsured patients in our community.

I hope you will consider taking a tour of our new building during our open house on Saturday, June 24 and/or attending our fundraising dinner on October 28th in the Chancellor ballroom. More information will follow.

Thanks again for supporting Champaign County Christian Health Center!

Warm regards,

Crystal

Crystal Hogue, MBA

New Address:

1401 S State St, Suite B,
Champaign, IL 61820

Clinic Operative Hours

5:30 - 8:30 pm
Every 2nd & 4th of the month
weeks vary based on providers
availability

Mailing address:

PO Box 5005, Champaign, IL 61825

Phone Number:

Appointment Line: 217-402-5683
Office Line: 217-398-2914
Email: ccchc2003care@gmail.com
Website: ccchc2003.org

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: WHO CAN BE SERVED BY CCCHC?

A: ANYONE WITHOUT HEALTH INSURANCE OR WITH A LACK OF SUFFICIENT HEALTH INSURANCE

Q: WHAT CARE IS OFFERED AT CCCHC?

A: BASIC PRIMARY CARE, DENTAL CARE, HEALTH EDUCATION, SOCIAL WORK, LAB WORK, NUTRITIONAL AND MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING, PHARMACY ASSISTANCE, INFORMATION ON HEALTH SCREENINGS, HOPE, PRAYER, AND MORE

Q: HOW CAN I VOLUNTEER?

A: PLEASE FILL OUT A VOLUNTEER APPLICATION AT CCCHC2003.ORG/VOLUNTEER OR EMAIL US AT CCCHC2003CARE@GMAIL.COM

Q: HOW CAN I CONTRIBUTE TO CCCHC?

A: BECOME A MONTHLY DONOR BY SENDING CHECKS MADE OUT TO CCCHC AT P.O. BOX 5005. CHAMPAIGN, IL 61825. YOU CAN ALSO DONATE ONLINE AT WWW.CCCHC2003.ORG/DONATE

YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE AND GREATLY APPRECIATED.

CCCHC Board Members

- Dr. Patricia McNussen, Board President
- Barbara Pritchard, Board Secretary
- Rev. Terrance Thomas, Board Member
- Rev. Elisa Wilson, Board Member
- Dr. Clif Burdette, Treasurer
- Jonathan Woods, Board Member
- Dr. Thomas Koehler, Board Member

Thanks for your support!

THANKS TO OUR



CHRISTIE CLINIC



and many more!

Because of YOU we have had over 14,000 client visits
Because of YOU we can provide basic medical healthcare for free to
the uninsured and underinsured

Because of YOU we have a place where are patients can come and
feel comfortable

Because of YOU we can offer counseling and provide support for
patients with mental health issues

Because of YOU we can provide medical and dental care to all
different walks of life

Because of YOU we can provide nutritional counseling

Because of YOU we can expand our services to meet more patient
needs

For that we say Thank you. Thank YOU for your continued support!
May God bless you!

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