# CLEARWATER FREE CLINIC Health care for uninsured families

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## PATIENT SUCCESS IS OUR PRIORITY

BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS FOR A HEALTHY FUTURE

Just about every CFC patient and volunteer knows the friendly smile and compassionate demeanor of our Patient Care Coordinator, Bob. The many roles he takes on are all vital to maintaining the highest quality patient care in our expanding Clinic. The Patient Care Coordinator acts as a liaison between patients and the Clinic's health care team, ensuring that each patient receives quality care, understands their medical condition, and is educated about their personalized health care plan. Many patients who receive care at the CFC are coping with new diagnoses and lifestyle changes; Bob acts



### A FRIEND WE WILL NEVER FORGET MELANIE LEIMER

The Clearwater Free Clinic recently suffered a profound loss. After a brief illness, Clinic board member, volunteer and friend Melanie Leimer passed away. Melanie was fiercely committed to the Clinic, its mission and anyone in need. A devoted and caring nurse, Melanie touched thousands of lives with her healing gift and beautiful smile... she will be missed but never forgotten.

as a guide, coaching them along the way to a healthier life.

In getting to know patients and their conditions individually, the Patient Care Coordinator screens and encourages patients who could benefit to participate in various educational programs the Clinic offers, such as our Go Healthy program that has been extremely successful with many of our chronically ill patients. He works with patients who have trouble sticking to the Clinic's guidelines and their health care plan to identify their barriers to success, provides referrals for continuing care and locates community resources for patients who may qualify. With input from patients themselves, their families and our health care team, the Patient Care Coordinator helps patients achieve the best possible medical & behavioral health outcomes. This role has been instrumental in rounding out the comprehensive health care offered to uninsured families here at the CFC.





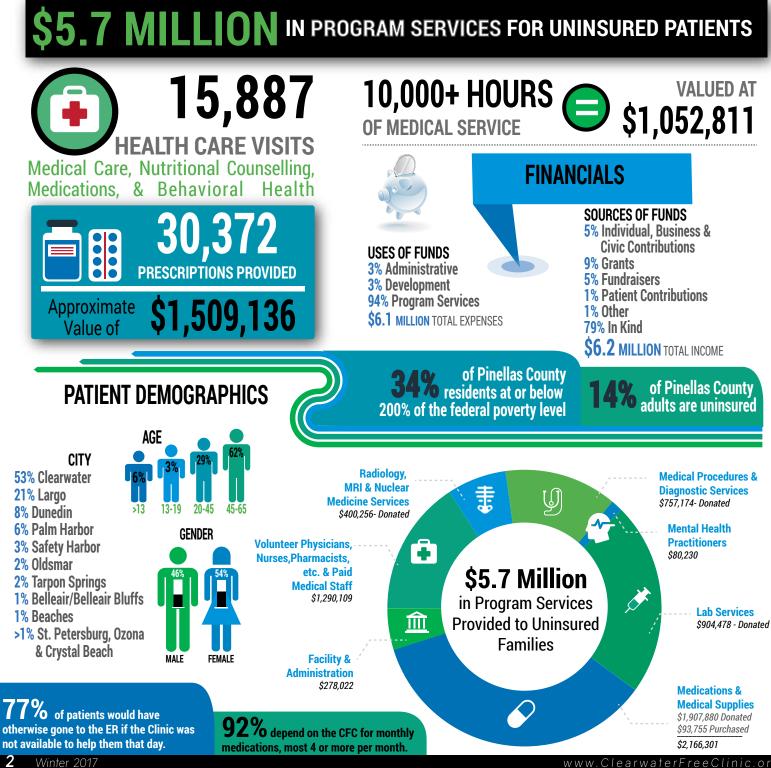
# ANNUAL REPORT SUMMARY JULY 2016 - JUNE 2017

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#### **OUR MISSION IS TO DELIVER COMPREHENSIVE MEDICAL CARE TO** UNINSURED FAMILIES THROUGH VOLUNTEERISM AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS... BUILDING HEALTHY COMMUNITIES







# January 20, 2018

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## **MEET OUR HONORARY CHAIRS** KATE TIEDEMANN & ELLEN COTTON

The Clearwater Free Clinic is honored to announce that Kate Tiedemann & Ellen Cotton will serve as Honorary Chairs of Martinis & Matisse 2018. Kate & Ellen are dedicated philanthropists who have shaped the landscape of our community and set forth an example of giving that is unprecedented.

Named as Philanthropists of the Year in 2016 by the Association of Fundraising Professionals Suncoast, Kate & Ellen's giving spirit has touched numerous nonprofit organizations in the Tampa Bay community and allowed for the expansion



of many impactful and enduring programs. Kate & Ellen are the lead donors in The Clearwater Free Clinic's Capital Campaign for a new campus and they have generously funded the Clinic's Behavioral Health Program, now nearing its fourth year.

The Clearwater Free Clinic is grateful to Kate Tiedemann & Ellen Cotton for their continued support of our mission and this signature event.

## MEET OUR FEATURED ARTIST GAIL GAMBLE



Gail Gamble has been a supporter of Martinis & Matisse and the Clearwater Free Clinic since the very beginning, and we are proud to honor her talent this year as she presents her featured art piece. "It gives me pleasure to help the Clearwater Free Clinic and to donate my artwork for this successful event. I am very impressed with the funds that are raised at Martinis & Matisse," she explains. Gail has lived in Dunedin, Florida for 40 years and draws inspiration from her surroundings. She loves to document

through her paintings the beauty of what is here in Clearwater area, especially the breathtaking landscapes. Gail's specialty is small oil paintings, but her style is always evolving and she likes to experiment with different mediums. We can't wait to see what she has in store for Martinis & Matisse 2018!

2018 HONORARY CHAIRS Kate Tiedemann & Ellen Cotton

FEATURED ARTIST Gail Gamble

HOSTED BY Frank & Brenda Crum at FrankCrum

#### For tickets and sponsorship info: www.MartinisandMatisse.org or 727-443-3504

Martinis & Matisse is a unique, fun-filled event that draws 800 attendees each year and has consistently sold out for the past five years. Enjoy unique art, local chef specialties, cool martinis, fine wine and live music while supporting an organization committed to providing vital services to the community. When the evening ends you will have experienced a memorable night...and you might just win a beautiful piece of art.



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#### THE CFC IS GRATEFUL FOR THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS:

#### **IN MEMORY OF:**

Robert & Dorothy Cole Helen Devere Lisa Chapman Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Deal Lawrence Dimmitt Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Deal Newt Hardgrave, MD Dr. & Mrs. J. Wayne Phillips Melanie Leimer Jan Humphreys Chris Paige Dr. & Mrs. Richard Murbach Mrs. Brandi Miliziano John Meek II Mr. & Mrs. Robert Metz, Jr. Joe Melendez Mr. & Mrs. Mark Hodges Leo Moran Chuck & Parilee Brenchley **Christine & Robert Wiggins Doris Vargus** Sister Jon Sullivan

IN HONOR OF:

Linda Chamberlain Mr. David Lillesand **Clearwater Free Clinic Volunteers Douglas Mesnard** Trace Meek's Birthday Tom Aide Charlotte Cummings Alex & Laren Jansen **Missy Meek** Eric Rall **Beth Slattery** Andy Tess Dr. & Mrs. Julian Melamed Michael Miller & Chavarah-Kol Ami Lisa and John Schaaf Dr. & Mrs. Douglas Spriggs Jean & Mike Williamson Mr. William Hale

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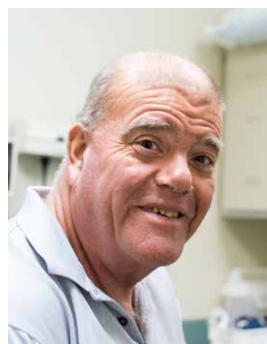
## "IF I DIDN'T HAVE THE CLINIC, I DON'T THINK I WOULD HAVE LIVED."

### **BACK ON TRACK** HOSPITAL REFERRAL PROGRAM MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Robert, just like many CFC patients, was dealt a difficult hand. Despite doing the best he could, things didn't turn out as planned and he was left without health care coverage. Because he had been out of work for years while caring for his dad who passed away in 2014, he couldn't find a job and became homeless. He was staying at a local shelter when he developed a blood clot in his leg and was rushed to Morton Plant Hospital. Once treated there for his emergent condition, he was referred to the Clinic for follow-up care and medications. With the Clinic's help and care, Robert has now turned his life around and is in control of his health.

When he first arrived, Robert was angry because he didn't understand his diagnosis. Clinic nurse practitioners took the time to explain to

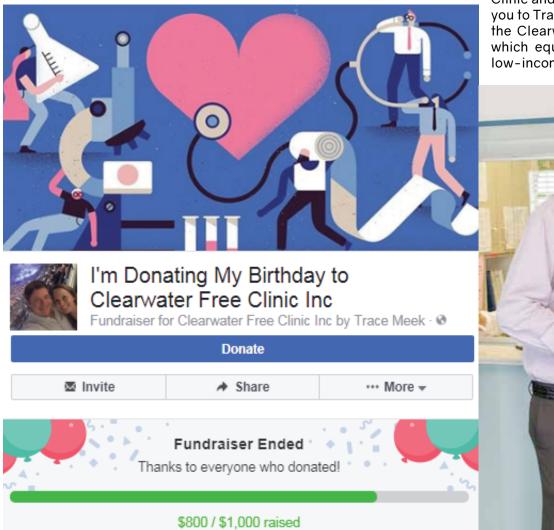
him his diagnosis so that he knew what he had to do to get better and take the first steps to finally get back on his feet. "She explained everything in detail and told me, 'Look, you have to pay attention." Robert is now healthier than ever and receives many medications and treatments each month from the Clinic and its community partners. He is no longer living in a shelter; he rents a home and has a job at one of the major hotel chains in the Clearwater area. "You wouldn't believe the care I receive here," he proclaims. "If I didn't have the Clinic, I don't think I would have lived."



MEMORIALS & HONORARY GIFTS

# **SHOUT OUT TO FACEBOOK FUNDRAISERS!**

It's easy to be a fundraiser! In today's digital world, there are several online tools available to Facebook users to help raise money and awareness for their favorite worthy causes, like the Clearwater Free Clinic! You can start your own fundraiser or even donate your birthday to the Clinic. All of your friends will be able to participate and come together to make a huge impact! Thank you to everyone who has taken the initiative to start fundraisers of their own for the Clearwater Free



Clinic and our programs. A very special thank you to Trace Meek for donating his birthday to the Clearwater Free Clinic and raising \$800 which equates to nearly \$5,000 in care for low-income, uninsured families. You rock!

Happy Holidays and a Healthy New Year

In lieu of a holiday gift and in keeping with

the spirit of the season,

Fred & Aleta Fisher have made a donation in your honor to

a non-profit organization that provides access to quality medical & mental health care to the low-

income, uninsured families of our communities.

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## **MAKE A DONATION IN LIEU OF A HOLIDAY GIFT GIVE THE GIFT OF HEALTH!**

Are you struggling to figure out what to get your friends and family for the holidays? Give the gift of health to an uninsured local family.

Make a donation to the Clearwater Free Clinic in honor of someone, and we will send them a holiday card letting them know of your generosity. Go to www.ClearwaterFreeClinic. org/holiday or call 727-443-3504.



PHYSICAN OF THE YEAR Dr. Richard Murbach

## **VOLUNTEER LUNCHEON** OUR VOLUNTEERS SHINE!

Our volunteer luncheon is a wonderful opportunity for the Clinic staff and board to honor and thank the volunteers who provide over 10,000 hours of annual assistance. We recognize that the Clinic's doors only remain open because of our volunteers' generous gifts of their time and expertise.





**VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR** Joy Collman Mary Tittle, RN



HELPING HAND AWARD Cyndi Heller



**NIGHTINGALE AWARD** Carol Toscani



ABOVE & BEYOND AWARDS Deborah Kerker, RN Dr. Greg Arsenis









## WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS JOHN PETERSON



John Peterson, originally from Minnesota and with an impressive educational and professional background, is an exceptional candidate for a member of the Board of Directors at the CFC. As a paramedic, he has a passion for helping people and hopes to make a direct impact on the lives of the people the Clinic serves. He currently serves as the Chief Administrative Officer at Sunstar Paramedics, where he will become the Chief Operating Officer in January 2018. His focus for the Clearwater Free Clinic is to ensure its sustainability for future generations and the high quality of care it provides to those in need. "The Clearwater Free Clinic saves lives! There is no doubt about this," he says. We are proud to have him serving as a member of our board!

## **ELIZABETH WINTER**

A Clearwater native and UCF Knight, Liz Winter has worked as a health care professional for BayCare Health System for the past 16 years and currently serves as an Administrative Special Projects Coordinator for Morton Plant Mease Health Care. "The Clearwater Free Clinic is an invaluable resource to our community. Without it, many local residents would not have the ability to access much needed health care services," she states. Along with her extensive knowledge and expertise in the health care field, she was drawn to serve on the Board of Directors at the CFC for the opportunity to be a part of an outstanding organization that works tirelessly to improve the health of our community.



## WELCOME NEW CLINIC VOLUNTEERS

#### PHYSICIANS

Dr. Eric Steckler Dr. Julia Jenkins Dr. Alexander Sochet

CLERKS

Morgan Cashman Alexis Perez June Weber

**BSN STUDENT** 

Patty Leslie Jovana Misic Marlena Buitrago Lorena Webber

## JOIN OUR VOLUNTEER FAMILY





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