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"What can I do ... maybe you can help me?"

Dear Friends of Catholic Charities,

At a recent visit to St. Luke Clinic, a single mom approached me with panic on her face and tears in her eyes: "Please don't say the c-word. I don't even have health insurance since I got laid off. I'm single just trying to raise my kids, make ends meet and I have so many school expenses waiting to be paid. What can I do ... maybe you can help me?" We hear similar heart aches about the lack of health care coverage afflicting people like you and me every day in Central Florida and Catholic Charities has done something about it.

After just four years, St. Luke's Medical and Dental Clinic in Eustis, Lazarus Medical Clinic in Wildwood and St. Thomas Medical Clinic in St. Cloud are working at full capacity and also helping to refer patients to labs and financial assistance. Our parish partners have made this medical ministry possible.

More than 106 health care volunteers treat some 3,000 uninsured patients annually, thanks to the volunteer services of 83 doctors, dentists and nurses and staff volunteers. Before Catholic Charities rolled out these new services, there really weren't any after-hours clinics that could care for the uninsured and there was a serious lack of critical care. Our service goals direct us to provide after-hours acute care services for our needy neighbors, who otherwise would end up in the emergency rooms of local hospitals, trying to get their cold or flu taken care of, which of course runs up a huge bill for them and our local communities. It's a vicious circle that degrades everyone.

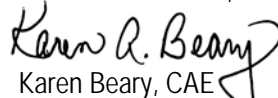
From Lazarus Clinic we have a great example of suffering laced with hope about Ray, a 28 year old husband and father of two very young children, who came to the clinic seeking treatment of a solid mass that was very swollen, red and tender. After an initial exam, our Medical Director, Dr. Steven Rivers, referred Ray to an urologist surgeon, who generously provided *pro bono* services. After a successful surgical procedure, Ray continued with chemotherapy. His treatment valued at \$30,000 was provided at no cost. The wonderful volunteerism of our clinic doctors convinced many of their peers to help this young dad and his two lucky children have their father alive this Christmas because of this life saving ministry.

Our dream is to help more deserving people like Ray. Volunteers are so willing. Financial requirements, though modest to operate our clinics including a new mobile clinic, remain a constant challenge.

May I ask you to please support Catholic Charities' Annual Fund that provides just such operating support? Enclosed you will find a list of ways that you and your family can adopt one of Catholic Charities' Clinics for the Uninsured for a day, a week, a month, a quarter or for a year. Please consider a gift or pledge that will give help to our infirmed and needy neighbors all year through this Annual Giving Appeal. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Our Lord told Jeremiah 30, 17: "For I will restore health to you, and your wounds I will heal, declares the Lord because they have called you an outcast." Thank you for remembering our needy sisters and brothers, sometimes considered outcasts even today, at this sacred time of new birth and hope for our world. Warmest Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

With a Grateful Heart,


Karen Beary, CAE

VP / Director of Health Care



Annual Gift / Pledge

Acknowledging the Gospel mandate to help the suffering, the poor, the hungry and the powerless; and recognizing also our need to help Catholic Charities of Central Florida fulfill its mission...

I/We pledge a total sum of \$ _____

to be paid over _____ months, or as follows:

Designation: _____

Gift / Pledge Summary:	Desired Payment Schedule
Total Pledge \$ _____	Beginning Date _____
Paid Herewith \$ _____	Preferred reminder schedule:
Balance Due \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Quarterly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly

I wish to pay by: Check (*payable to Catholic Charities*)

Credit Card *or* Direct Debit (see back)



Catholic Charities Annual Fund for the Needy
Providing Hope – Building Opportunity

Catholic Charities of Central Florida, Inc.
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Peace and Blessings!

Your email address: _____

American Express Master Card Visa Discover

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Signature _____ Date _____

One-time gift to be charged	OR	Charge a monthly gift of \$ _____
\$ _____		beginning in _____ for _____ months <small>(month)</small>

All credit card transactions will be made in the last business week of the month.

Bank _____

Name(s) on account _____

(please list both names if joint account) _____

Account No: _____

One-time gift to be charged	OR	Charge a monthly gift of \$ _____
\$ _____		beginning in _____ for _____ months <small>(month)</small>

X _____
Signature _____ Date _____

X _____
Signature of joint account holder _____ Date _____

* To authorize a direct debit from your account, you must include a blank check marked VOID. All direct debit charges will be made in the last business week of the month.



“He will rescue the poor man when he cries out and the afflicted when he has no one to help him, he will have pity on the poor and feeble, and save the lives of those in need.”

Psalm 72: 12-13

Healing Mission of Catholic Charities’ Clinics

As the healing hands and arms of Christ, Catholic Charities’ three Clinics annually serve some 3,000 uninsured single mothers, fathers and other families who have nowhere else to go for medical or dental help.

On specified evenings each week, our local volunteer doctors, nurses and staff treat hurting and struggling families and individuals from communities in N Seminole, NW Orange, Lake, Sumter, Marion and Osceola Counties.

All three of our regional free clinics each save their local communities more than \$1 million annually through the free access to high quality medical care that they provide.

Our clinics save lives and refer patients to neighboring health care providers depending on the severity of the illnesses presented.

Our doctors, dentists, nurses and staff selflessly volunteer their evenings, after full days of seeing patients in their own practices, and make themselves available to treat the poor and needy patients at our clinics, many of whom are struggling single mothers. We remain deeply grateful for their generosity and commitment to the poor and infirmed among us.

- Karen Beary, VP



Mobile Health Clinic

This “mobile health clinic” is available for use by Catholic Charities’ personnel and cooperating agencies throughout Central Florida in times of disaster, service for clinic start-ups, and medical testing and treatment services.

Civic and other social agencies are invited to partner with Catholic Charities in providing the valuable services of this mobile health bus, as need and cooperative opportunities suggest.



Our ...

- **Mission ...** Provide vital social services to people in need, regardless of their religious, social or economic background, to improve lives of individuals, families and the community.
- **Commitment ...** Join forces with Catholic Charities USA, and other partnering social service agencies as we continue to lead the charge in Central Florida to reduce poverty and the destructive forces that it creates in the family and community-at-large.
- **Vision ...** Create a more capable and connected social service agency focused on meeting today’s community needs and positioned to meet the challenges of tomorrow throughout the Diocese of Orlando.
- **Values ...** Dignity, Respect, Compassion, Commitment, Integrity, and Professionalism.
- **Gospel Motivation ...** *Matthew 25*

Works of Mercy are charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbor in his or her spiritual and bodily necessities.

Corporal Works of Mercy call us to service especially in feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned, and burying the dead. Among all these, giving alms to the poor is one of the chief witnesses to fraternal charity; it is also a work of justice pleasing to God.

He, who has two coats, let him share with him who has none; he who has food must do likewise. But give for alms those things which are within; behold, everything is clean for you. If a brother or sister is ill-clad and in lack of daily food, and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things needed for the body, what does it profit?

Spiritual Works of Mercy prompt us to be generous in instructing, advising, consoling, comforting, forgiving and bearing wrongs patiently.

For more information please contact:

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Catholic Charities of Central Florida
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Medical Clinics for the Uninsured



Volunteer Dr. Rafael Chas examines pediatric patient at Lazarus Clinic in Wildwood



Annual Fund Appeal – Christmas 2011 Suggested Program Adoption Levels

Thank you for considering the adoption of a service at one of Catholic Charities’ three Clinics for the Uninsured located in St. Cloud, Eustis and Wildwood, FL. Your financial support is vital to our ability to provide high quality medical and sometimes dental services that are critical to our neighbors who do not have access to primary coverage due to the lack of health coverage services.

If you wish to adopt a program, write the name of the service you select on the “designation” line on the gift and pledge form that is attached to your letter. Complete your gift/form and return it in the self-addressed envelope provided. You may pledge over the next 12 months and honor your commitment by check, credit card, debit or bank account with a schedule that best suits your circumstances.

Together we can “provide hope and build opportunity” for the poor and uninsured in Central Florida. Thank you.

Suggested Annual Fund Clinic Adoption Levels



“For I will restore health to you, and your wounds I will heal, declares the Lord, because they have called you an outcast: ‘It is Zion, for whom no one cares!’”

Jeremiah 30, 17



Peace and Blessings!



Lazarus Medical Clinic

San Pedro de Jesus Maldonado Mission, lower level
210 Wonders Street, Wildwood, FL 34785
352-748-4567

Tuesdays- Urgent care, Thursdays- Urgent/Specialty care

This our first clinic opened in 2007 as a life-saving outreach of the San Pedro Mission for poor farm workers in rural Sumter & Marion Counties. Many had never seen a physician before. Medical Director Dr. Steven Rivers and clinic physician volunteers also help patients find referrals to specialists.

A non-profit partnership of Catholic Charities of Central Florida with San Pedro de Jesus Maldonado Mission – a mission of St. Paul Parish in Leesburg, and supported by St. Timothy Parish in Lady Lake, St Vincent de Paul Parish in Wildwood and St. Mark the Evangelist in The Villages.

Please consider adopting one of Lazarus Clinic’s operational costs noted below. Can you help with:

- \$5,000** Cost to operate the clinic for 1 month
- \$1,000** Cost to treat 20 patients
- \$500** Cost to provide lab services for 3 patients
- \$100** Cost of 10 prescriptions
- \$50** Cost of medical supplies for a single mom
- \$25** Cost of 2 prescriptions



Dr. Jose Diaz



St. Thomas Medical Clinic

510 Brown Chapel Rd., St. Cloud, FL 34769
407-593-1256

Located on the Campus of St. Thomas Parish
Wednesdays - Urgent & Specialty night

Dr. Peter Morrow and St. Thomas Aquinas Parish collaborated with Catholic Charities of Central Florida in the establishment of this primary care clinic in 2009 capable of also providing referrals to unique specialties and diagnostic care at St. Thomas Clinic.

A non-profit partnership of Catholic Charities with St Thomas Aquinas Parish, St. Cloud and the Osceola County Council on Aging.

Please consider adopting one of St. Thomas Clinic’s operational costs noted below. Can you help with:

- \$5,000** Cost to operate the clinic for 1 month
- \$1,000** Cost to treat 20 patients
- \$500** Cost to provide lab services for 3 patients
- \$175** Cost to operate clinic for one day
- \$50** Cost of medical supplies for a single mom
- \$25** Cost of diabetic test strips



Dr. Peter Morrow,
Medical Director



St. Luke Medical and Dental Clinic

722 S. Grove St., Eustis, FL 32726
352-602-4640

Mondays - Dental night
Wednesdays - Medical night

The history of St. Luke Clinic is a fascinating story of the power of inspired and remarkable leadership. Two proactive churches with five local dedicated doctors and one determined dentist started providing primary medical care and our first dental clinic in 2010. They also enlist other generous physicians who are willing to donate their valuable specialty care services.

A non-profit partnership of Catholic Charities of Central Florida with co-sponsors, St Mary of the Lakes Parish, Eustis and St Patrick Parish, Mt. Dora.

Please consider adopting one of St. Luke Clinic’s operational costs noted below. Can you help with:

- \$5,000** Cost to operate the clinic for 1 month
- \$1,000** Cost to treat 20 patients
- \$500** Cost to provide lab services for 3 patients
- \$175** Cost to operate clinic for one day
- \$50** Cost of medical supplies for a single mom
- \$25** Cost of a dental filling



Dr. David
Fernandez