



Geneseo Parish Outreach Center, Inc.

Affordable Health Care - Quality Service - Healthy Living

Newsletter



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Gracias, Senora Price!

As the GPOC Latino population continues to grow, we are grateful to have an in-house translator on call to help with various client appointments.



Yanelba Price brings her considerable experience with English-Spanish translation to the Center.

Originally from Puerto Rico, Yanelba moved to New York 15 years ago and now lives in Naples with her husband, native New Yorker Trevor, pastor of Heart Cry Christian Fellowship. They homeschool their five children ages 7-13. As a pastor's wife, Yanelba is deeply involved not only in the church, but in the children's many activities and the homeschool cooperative. She holds a Bachelor's in Education and several certifications which provide background in editing and translating.

Director Donna Flaherty is especially grateful to have Yanelba available to meet with those clients and the GPOC staff who value her expertise. Donna notes that Yanelba also "reaches out to those who need a compassionate ear....and has been instrumental in assisting some patients with appointments, obtaining secure shelter for the homeless, and praying with those struggling in life." Yanelba Price is, indeed, a blessing to GPOC.

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Services Provided for Clients at GPOC

- Primary adult and pediatric care
- Women's health
- Medication assistance
- Health education
- School and employment physicals
- Insurance navigation
- Spiritual direction (upon request)
- Grief support (upon request)

At our partner/referral organizations or agencies

- Laboratory screening
- X-ray services
- Mental health services
- Dentistry
- Vision and hearing evaluations
- Services provided by Livingston County Department of Social Services
- Services provided by Livingston County Department of Health (ex. immunizations)
- Services provided by Catholic Family Services

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Carol Thompson RN and Linda Weaver RN are honored to accept from Tim McMahon a check for \$1000 to the Geneseo Parish Outreach Center as the not-for-profit recipient of the 2024 Father Gordinier Community Service Award. Tim said, "The committee is confident that Father Gordinier would look upon your volunteer work with admiration and gratitude." The Center is most grateful for this award.

**Food & Goods
Donations Needed****Partner with****Personal Care Items not covered by food stamps, such as the following:**

- ◆ shampoo
- ◆ toilet paper
- ◆ deodorant
- ◆ tooth paste
- ◆ laundry detergent
- ◆ dish soap
- ◆ hand soap
- ◆ feminine hygiene products
- ◆ incontinence briefs

**Geneseo Parish Outreach Center is an
Emergency Foodlink Pantry****Health and Wellness Fair...August 2024**

GPOC continues to be a welcoming and valuable presence at the annual Geneseo United Methodist Church massive Yard Sale. For the second time this year, the Health and Wellness Fair offered numerous opportunities for new and familiar faces. The following data reflects the scope of services provided on that day:

B/P checks by Anna McCauley: 63

BMI screens by Judy Beeman: 10

Podiatry exams by Dr. Andrew Merkel from
Genesee Valley Podiatry: 9

Eye exams from Flaum: 15

Insurance Information by Nick DeMarte from CCSI:
7

Bags of treats (apples, mandarins, raisins, snack
bars) by Wegmans: 85

Once again, the Center appreciates the
professionals and other volunteers who made
these services possible.

GPOC Clinic Schedule***Tuesday mornings***

9:00 am to noon

***The first Thursday morning
of the month ~ once a month***

9:00 am to noon

***The third Thursday evening
of the month ~ once a month***

5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Office Hours***Monday through Thursday***

9:00 am to noon

Staff is there to schedule medical
appointments and serve patients who
need help with medication costs or dental
and other specialty care referrals.

Call for an appointment
(585) 243 - 3120

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Our Volunteer Hours

In the first ten months of 2024 the all-volunteer staff of the Geneseo Parish Outreach Center donated more than 4,400 hours of service towards bettering the health of our neighbors.

New Yorkers don't have to go without health coverage. We are here to help!

NY State of Health is committed to ensuring access to affordable, quality health insurance for all New Yorkers so they can get the care they need. New Yorkers who are without health insurance should apply now through NY State of Health.

There are three ways to apply:

- Online at nystateofhealth.ny.gov
- By phone at 1-855-355-5777 (TTY: 1-800-662-1220)
- With the help of an Enrollment Assistor

Find one by calling 1-855-355-5777 or visit

<http://info.nystateofhealth.ny.gov/findassistor>



\$\$\$\$ -- Make Donating Easier

Ever think about donating to the GPOC but forget to write the check? Consider setting up recurring payments via PayPal or Venmo; the payments will process automatically and you don't have to do anything.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!
WE NEED YOUR HELP!



Why Volunteer at Geneseo Parish Outreach center?

- Your contribution directly improves the health and well-being of our community.
- Gain valuable experience in healthcare and enhance your skills.
- Be part of a dedicated team working towards improving the health of our community.

Call the GPOC at (585) 243-3120
or
Email the office with your contact information and your area of interest at
GeneseoPOC@gmail.com

Donate to The Geneseo Parish Outreach Center


The Parish Outreach Center is a 501(c)(3). It is dependent upon the support of the community that surrounds us. Our mission is accomplished through the generous donations of time, money and equipment from our supporters.

Donations, fundraisers, in-kind donations and foundation supporters are welcome.

You may participate in several ways:

- ... donate "in honor of" or "in memory of" a loved one.
- ... remember GPOC in your will or bequest.
- ... consider matching gifts from employers.

To learn how you or your organization can help us to help others, please call us. 585-243-3120

- **All donations are tax deductible**
- **United Way donations can be made to number 2471** 
- We use **PAYPAL** to provide a secure transaction. Go to www.gpocenter.org and use the **PAYPAL Donate Button**.

Potential Clients:

*Those with no insurance.
Those who are under-insured.
Those who cannot pay for medications or specialty care.*

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Executive Director Donna Flaherty

Executive Director's Report**October 2024**

Clinic Statistics -Since January 1 2024, we have served 215 individuals, 96 since July 1.

118 CSBG; 81 United Way of Monroe and GLOW region; 6 from UW of Southern Tier; 31 Excellus

28 Amish; 2 Homeless; 16 Migrants; 62 Disabled; 55 without insurance; 47 Unemployed

95 Referrals to dental, vision, podiatry and other specialties; 51 for medical expenses including laboratory and diagnostic imaging, counseling and other costs.

Dr. Stewart is staffing medical clinics on both Monday and Tuesday mornings. Nadine Bailey, PA-C continues to staff a month Thursday morning clinic for Hispanic speaking patients. At other times, I will see pediatric patients as needed.

Grants –

No new grants have been received. We are now using 2024-2025 CSBG funds, as well as UW of Monroe and the GLOW region (which will be reduced to \$21K in January 2025 from \$28.5K) and the UW of the Southern Tier, a small grant from FF Thompson and others. We have still not heard from the Mt. Morris Solar Ridge Community Grant application for \$10K. Other agencies have also not heard from their applications for this grant opportunity.

Volunteers – With the coming winter months, we will experience a shortage in available volunteers. We are seeking quality people for nursing and office staff positions. Data entry, computer skills are a must. Thanks to Katelyn Picard for her Facebook appeal for volunteers. In the last week we have had two nurses and two SUNY Geneseo individuals interested in volunteering. Before they can be utilized to their full potential, they will need to be trained. We may need to cut back on office hours during the winter months in the interim.

Training for volunteers – I continue to train individuals when there is time. I will be asking Scott Pickard to assist with computer training and our seasoned nursing and office staff workers to orient new personnel.

Five-Year Plan –

Transitioning to EMR has been a slow process. We will still need a paper chart for documentation of Proof of Income and the Financial Form for CSBG audits.

Delegation of tasks is an ongoing issue. We have a grant writer, individuals that do quarterly reporting for the CSBG Grant, and a very competent office volunteer who takes care of billing. There are still many tasks that need to be delegated.

Medical Director – Dr. Tasaddaq has expressed her desire to step down as Medical Director. She is willing to stay on for a few more months until a replacement is found.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Flaherty, PA-C
Executive Director

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Are you a healthcare professional looking for a regular volunteer opportunity?

We are open Monday - Thursday in the mornings and would love to have you one morning every or every other week.

We would love to have you join our team at the GPOC!



How to find out more:
1. Call the GPOC at (585) 243-3120 or
2. Email the office with your contact information and your area of interest at GeneseoPOC@gmail.com

The Geneseo United Methodist Church provides the GPOC with a safe home space for our volunteers and clients.



VOLUNTEER



Newsletter Staff

Diana Harke	Pam Klingman
Bonnie Kreutter	Marilyn Lyon
Jackie McNall	Melissa Slater
Sandy Wilcox	

Adopt-a-Shelf/Assist with Medication

As more individuals are temporarily unable to work, their ability to obtain food, personal hygiene items, and medications becomes more difficult.

Our pantry is well stocked, but we do not get a price break on items such as toilet paper, shampoo, and laundry soap. If you or an organization that you are a member of would like to adopt one of these items and keep the shelf for that item stocked, it would be most helpful. Just let us know which item you are adopting and we will let you know when it is running low.

Medications: *If clients need to choose which bills to pay, they may stop taking their medication to save money. This decision could worsen their condition and could increase the likelihood of more emergency room visits and hospital stays.*

Listed below are some of the drugs most-needed and the cost of each 30-day

Lantus, (insulin) commonly used to treat diabetes: \$35 (federal cap)

Trulicity, a newer non-insulin drug for diabetes which is injected weekly: Trulicity 1 box is \$853.

Symbicort, combination inhaler for asthma or COPD, taken 2 puffs twice a day: 1 inhaler is \$263 for the generic.

Spiriva, an inhaled drug for asthma or COPD, taken 2 puffs daily: Spiriva Respinat is \$150 for 1 inhaler.

Ozempic (injectable for diabetes): \$940

Eliquis (blood thinner): \$579

Xarelto (blood thinner): \$529

Trelegy (inhaler for asthma/COPD): \$640

Breo Ellipta (inhaler for asthma/COPD): \$277

If you or your organization can support shelf items and/ or medications, please respond to the GPOC ASAP with your wishes.

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Geneseo Parish Outreach Center Celebrates 20 Years

On Saturday, September 4, the Geneseo Parish Outreach Center celebrated its 20th anniversary in the Fellowship Hall of the Center's host Geneseo United Methodist Church. Since its inception and incorporation in 2004, GPOC has expanded its clientele and services provided by an all-volunteer staff. Through generous donations and grants, the Center continues to offer much-needed help to residents in Livingston County and beyond.

Thanks to the following sponsors of the 20th Anniversary t-shirts

BP Trucking
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Geneseo Rotary Club
Geneseo United Methodist Church
Genesee Valley Florist
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One Stop Tech Shop
Pickard Solutions
Quinlan's Medical Supply
Senior Care Connection
Special Tees
St. Michael's Episcopal Church
Touch of Grayce
United Women in Faith
Wegmans



Reception refreshments prepared by
United Women in Faith of GUMC



First and current Executive Directors of GPOC Linda Weaver and Donna Flaherty bookend parents of GUMC pastor Beth Malone, Sheila and Jim Swanger



Food Pantry supporters Laurie Perry, Pam and David Klingman, Jim Swanger, Marilyn Russell and Jerry Weaver



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Pantry Chair Pam Klingman, Board President Kirsten Galliford, and Treasurer Melissa Slater



Long-time volunteers Judy Beeman and Marilyn Russell

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October 2024

Dear friends,

As we celebrate the Geneseo Parish Outreach Center's (GPOC) 20th Anniversary, we continue to recognize and honor the numerous volunteers and faithful donors who have contributed to this impressive mission to the community. We applaud the vision and dedication of those who created GPOC 20 years ago and all those who have continued their work in this all-volunteer project.

As we move forward, we continue to seek grants and request donations from the broader public. The greatest challenge will be making up for the loss in United Way funding that will be phasing out over the next few years. Not only will this loss impact our clients' services, but it is also going to have a significant impact on our food pantry as FoodLink is also facing cuts in their United Way funding.

Only with your support can we continue to have a positive impact on our community and neighbors. Please make a tax-deductible donation by completing the form below or visiting our website. Together we can do great things!

Sincerely,

Donna Flaherty, PA-C
Executive DirectorAyesha Tassaddaq, MD
Medical DirectorKirsten Galliford, Pharm.D.
Board President*Clip and return this portion with your donation in the envelope provided.*

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State: _____

Zip Code: _____

Email address: _____

Donation Amount: _____

Please make checks payable to: **Geneseo Parish Outreach Center, Inc.****This Institution is an Equal Opportunity Provider**

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"I am writing to thank you so much for my medicine. I really don't know how to express my gratitude enough in words. I know so much goes into this kind of opportunity. The continued success of your endeavors will be in my prayers."

For the last 20 years the GPOC has provided health care, health education, disease prevention, and advocacy for people who are underinsured or have no insurance. We continue to offer reduced dental care, assistance with hearing aids and vision care and more.

"We want to thank you so much for all of the kindness and compassion you've shown us. You have helped restore our faith in people during these crazy times."

We continue to accomplish great things. Through September we have...

- ❖ Seen patients across 9 counties
- ❖ Staffed 36 medical clinics
- ❖ Seen over 200 patients for more than 350 visits
- ❖ Distributed 1,332 bags of food, for over 531 families
- ❖ Donated over 4,000 volunteer hours
- ❖ Spent over 90% of each dollar on patient care

"Just a note to thank you for providing my medication. It's a necessity for me and vastly beyond my budget. I am so very grateful...."

