InterFaith chosen as Humana grant recipient

InterFaith Health Clinic has been chosen as the recipient of the $350,000 Humana Communities Benefit charitable grant in Knoxville, funded by the Humana Foundation. Doug Haaland, Regional President of Humana, presented the supersized check to InterFaith at the clinic’s recent Trivia Night fundraiser.

“The Humana Foundation honors outstanding nonprofit organizations using transformative strategies to help prevent diabetes and congestive heart failure in their community,” said Virginia Kelly Judd, Executive Director, Humana Foundation. “We are delighted that the Humana Communities Benefit judging process selected InterFaith Health Clinic for the program’s top grant and are confident their work will improve health and well-being of residents throughout the Knoxville area.”

InterFaith, which currently serves around 8,000 patients in East Tennessee, will use the $350,000 Humana Communities Benefit grant to create a Healthy Lifestyle Classroom. The multi-purpose setting will have the capabilities to teach patients how to cook healthy meals, learn about local resources for affordable fresh fruits and vegetables, provide peer-to-peer support groups and execute wellness classes, including the Living Well with Chronic Conditions program created and endorsed by Stanford University.

“With more than 99% of InterFaith’s patients suffering from one or more chronic conditions, patient education and mentorship is critical,” said Melissa Knight, executive director, InterFaith Health Clinic. “The Humana Communities Benefit grant will enable us to provide a fully equipped space for patient education and wellness classes, which will combat these serious illnesses that plague so many individuals.”

Nonprofit organizations in Anderson, Blount, Cumberland, Knox, Loudon, Roane and Sevier counties were eligible to apply for this year’s grant in Knoxville, where the grant was offered for the first time.

“As an integral part of the Knoxville community for over 20 years, InterFaith is armed with the knowledge of what resonates with East Tennesseans,” said Haaland. “By providing a hands-on educational environment, the Healthy Lifestyle Classroom will empower patients to implement healthy changes in their daily routine which will improve chronic conditions in our community for generations to come.”

While InterFaith is thrilled to have been chosen and we look forward to the transformational health benefits this grant will bring about, we want our donors and supporters to understand that this grant did not provide for the clinic’s current operating needs. The Humana Communities Benefit grant will be used to fund new facilities and new programs; funding to support the clinic’s ongoing health care programs is still needed just like before. Visit www.interfaithhealthclinic.org to make your tax-deductible gift now!
health care for the working uninsured. Over 300 guests came out to compete in the team trivia competition, which offered the coveted “Golden Brain” trophy to the winning team, Brain Trust. Guests had other opportunities to walk away a winner, with eight raffle packages and even some surprise door prizes. Lest anyone leave hungry, a hearty spread of chips and dip, breadsticks, pizza and wings was provided by Domino’s Pizza and Sweet P’s. Join us next year to test your smarts for a great cause!

**UNIVERSITY CARDIOLOGY**

InterFaith would like to extend a tremendous thank-you to Bret A. Rogers, M.D. at University Cardiology. Dr. Rogers reviews our EKGs to confirm diagnoses. Prior to Dr. Rogers, Dr. Stephen Hoadley performed this service for countless years. Thank you, Drs. Rogers and Hoadley, for giving of your time to help the uninsured.

**Trivia Night Moments**

Give the gift of healing this holiday season with a gift to InterFaith Health Clinic. A gift to InterFaith is the perfect way to honor your colleagues, friends, and loved ones during this special time of year.

If you wish to mail in your donation with your list of honorees, please see the enclosed information sheet. Or, you may make your donation and submit your list of honorees online at interfaithhealthclinic.org.
InterFaith Health Clinic invites you to share the joyous spirit of the holiday season by partnering with us in our holiday card program. The holidays are a time for us to remember friends, colleagues, and loved ones and to share the blessings of the holiday season. We invite you to share our message of health and hope by sending holiday greeting cards to those on your gift list this year, with all the proceeds underwriting direct patient care for the underserved in our community.

Those you honor will receive an attractive, hand-addressed holiday card from InterFaith acknowledging that a gift has been made in the recipient’s name. All gifts are tax-deductible, and a minimum gift of $10 per honoree is suggested.

To participate in our holiday card program this year, please fill out the form below and mail it to the clinic along with your donation. Alternatively, you may submit your mailing list and make your donation online at www.interfaithhealthclinic.org/holiday-card. If you have questions, please contact Trudy at tbledsoe@interfaithhealthclinic.org or 865-243-3038.

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