

# CARE CLINIC ANNUAL UPDATE January-December 2024

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#### Message from CARE Clinic Board Chair, Jim Larson

CARE Clinic has made a significant impact on community health, thanks to the generosity of our donors, volunteers, and partners. In 2024, patient visits rose from 5,630 to 8,152, and we expanded critical medical, dental, and mental health services to Wabasha County. The launch of the CARE-a-VAN brought dental care to those in need, while school-based dental visits grew by 60%. The Fresh Food Farmacy and prescription programs distributed \$575,000 worth of medications. Our bilingual mental health services continue to support the community. Because of our amazing staff and volunteers, our 2024 Survey shows high overall satisfaction (4.7/5), with most patients praising CARE Clinic and the care they received. 2025 marks CARE

Clinic's 15th year anniversary, and we couldn't have sustained the clinic without your support!

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#### **CARE-a-VAN**

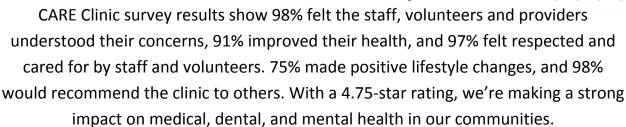
In November 2024, CARE Clinic launched the CARE-a-VAN, a mobile dental clinic serving Goodhue and Wabasha Counties. It provides important dental services at schools and community sites from spring to fall, thanks to donors like Delta Dental of Minnesota Foundation, Goodhue County Health and Human Services and people like you!



# Wabasha County

In September 2024, CARE Clinic expanded to serve Wabasha County, offering qualifying residents the same vital services as those in Goodhue County. This expansion allows us to reach more individuals and make a broader impact. We're excited to enhance community health and serve even more people!

## 2024 Patient Survey Results



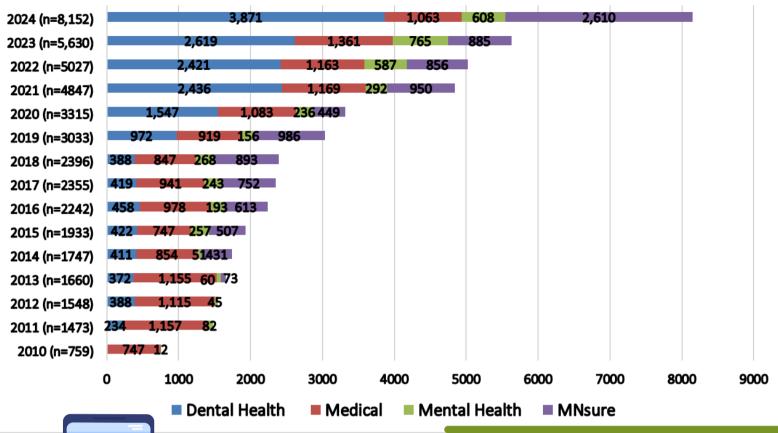






## **OVER 42,000 ENCOUNTERS IN 15 YEARS!!!**

**Patient Encounters By Service** 





In rural Minnesota, the high cost of prescriptions is a challenge for uninsured and underinsured individuals. CARE Clinic's Prescription Assistance Program (PAP) offers no-cost medications to eligible patients. In 2024, the clinic provided \$575,000 worth of medications to uninsured and underinsured residents of Goodhue and Wabasha Counties.

Thank you to CARE Clinic's 2024-25 Board of Directors for your commitment, dedication, and hard work during this tremendous period of change and growth. Pictured from left to right (front row): John Dimunation, Gordon Hansmeier, Julie Malyon (Executive Director), and Jim Larson (Board Chair). Left to right (back row): Alejandra Sievers, Sarah Reichert, Kelly Hassemer, Dr. Carrie Kern, Cyndi Reese, and Barb Haley.

Not Pictured: Gary Iocco, Yaneth Santiago, Dr. George Noesen, Karina Herran, Dr. Dann Heilmann, and Chris Gulden





Students served at schools **160** 



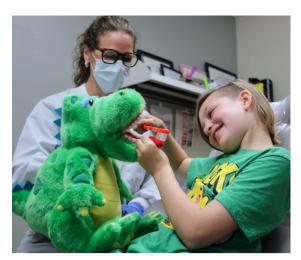
Children served in dental program 632



Procedures at schools 546



Services on the CARE-a-VAN **22** 



## **Dental Visits to Schools**

CARE Clinic expanded dental care to nine (9) Goodhue County schools, serving nearly 60% more students. We are proud to offer these essential services and significantly improve the dental health of so many children!

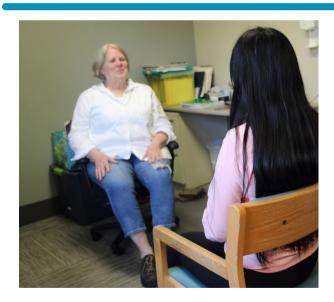


# **MNSure Navigation**

In 2024, CARE Clinic MNSure Navigators completed 870 applications, helping individuals and families access affordable health insurance. Their dedicated support ensured many could navigate the complexities of MNSure and secure essential coverage.



In 2024, CARE Clinic provided bilingual mental health services both in clinic and in four (4) area schools. Through counseling and outreach, we reduce stigma and help individuals make healthier choices for a stronger community.



#### CARE Bear Volunteer of the Year

Lori Naylor, the CARE Clinic's Volunteer of the Year, plays a key role in running the laboratory for precise diagnostics. Her technical skills and compassionate approach create a supportive environment for patients during stressful procedures. Congratulations on the well-deserved CARE Bear Volunteer of the Year Award, Lori!



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#### **Retail Value of CARE Clinic in 2024**

For every \$1 donated to CARE Clinic

CARE Clinic and its partners are able to provide \$2 worth of goods and services

#### **2024 Patient Services**

Unduplicated Patients: Dental 1,568 (44% NEW)

Medical/Mental Health 542 (42% NEW)

	Medical/Mental Health	Dental
Ages	14% Under 18 56% 18-44 30% 45+	39% Under 18 39% 18-44 22% 45+
Employment	41% Employed 18% Not in Labor Force 26% Unemployed	29% Employed 41% Not in Labor Force 16% Unemployed
Income	Federal Poverty Level 34% <100% 11% < 100%-149%	Federal Poverty Level 32% <100% 17% < 100%-149%
Race/Ethnicity	76% Hispanic 13% White 2% African American	32% Hispanic 48% White 6% African American

#### **About CARE Clinic**

CARE Clinic is a nonprofit clinic caring for uninsured/underinsured residents of Goodhue and Wabasha Counties. Our mission is to contribute to the Community by improving health care, Access, connecting people to Resources, and promoting health Education.

We provide the following services:

- Dental Home: Open Monday-Thursday
  - Free care for kids!
  - Call for Friday and Saturday availability
- Medical Care
  - Walk-in clinic 4-8pm Tuesday
  - Specialty services: Women's health, diabetes education, ophthalmology, orthopedics/PT, podiatry, dermatology
- Mental Health Services Tuesday and Wednesday by appointment
- MNsure Assistance Monday-Friday
- Connection to state and local resources
- Legal Aid: monthly walk-in clinic