

# Grace Healthcare Services Corp

2021

## ANNUAL REPORT



### Mission

Our mission is to provide healthcare and related services, including pharmaceutical products and supplements, for underserved populations and needy individuals.

### Diversity, Inclusion, Equity Statement Affirmative Action Policy

At Grace Healthcare Services Corp we fight the battle against healthcare disparity. We believe healthcare starts with compassion and respect for our patients and each other. We embrace and nurture the underserved, uninsured and homeless. We do not discriminate. All are included, all are served.

Grace Healthcare Services Corp provides services to patients, and opportunities for volunteering and employment, to qualified persons without regard to age, gender, sexual orientation, ability/disability, race or color, education, religious or political views, economic status, or national origin.

## Our Story

We are a 501(c)(3) Florida Non-Profit Corporation established to provide healthcare and related services, including prescriptions and other pharmaceutical products, for underserved populations and needy individuals.

Grace Pharmacy, “the pharmacy without a cash register,” was established in 2017 by Grace Healthcare Services Corp to supply prescribed medications at no charge to qualifying patients who otherwise could not afford them. Since that time, we have dispensed over 20,000 prescriptions.



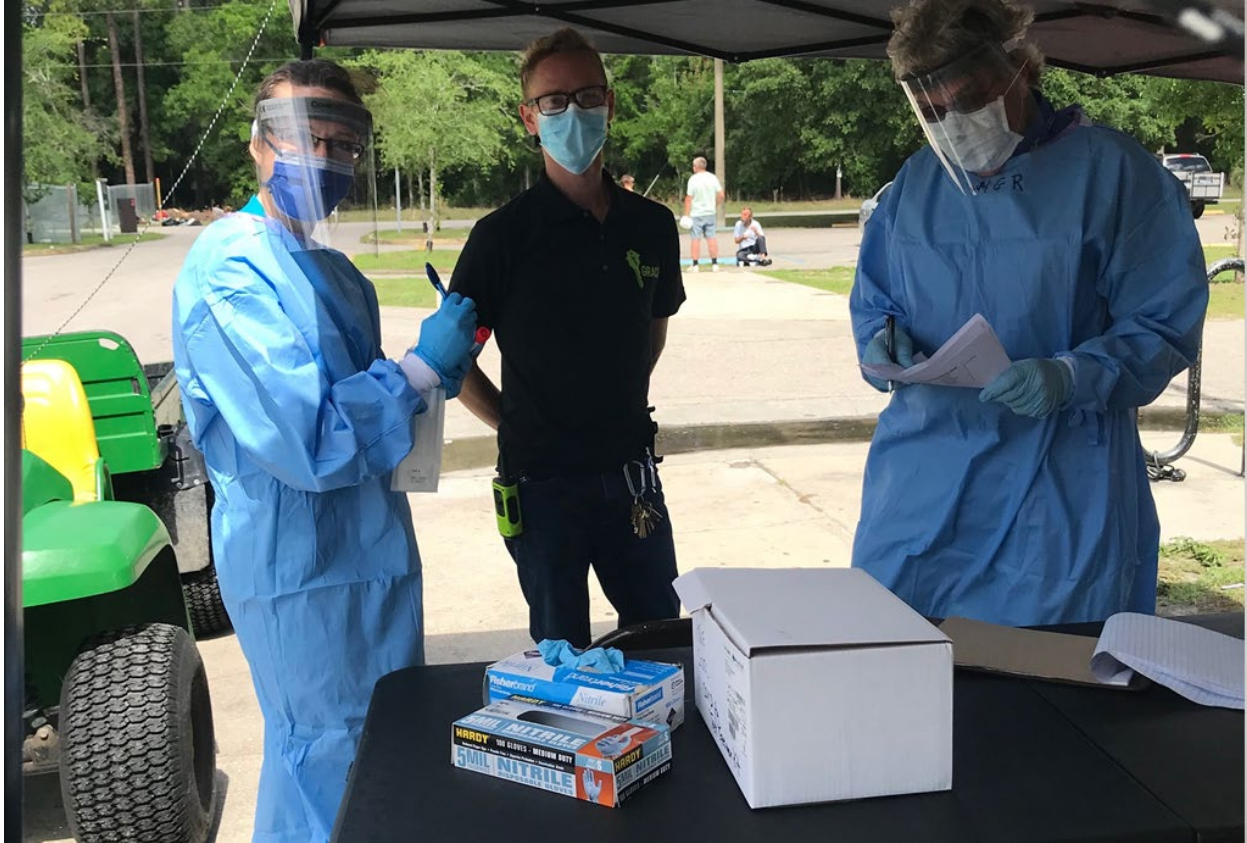
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In addition, Grace Healthcare Services Corp was instrumental in establishing the initial medical clinic at GRACE Marketplace (Gainesville area shelter for those experiencing homelessness) in 2016 to provide healthcare to medically indigent individuals in the Gainesville area. The physical space is provided rent-free by the City of Gainesville. Since then, we have expanded the clinic facilities to be used by UF Mobile Outreach Clinic on Thursdays, Helping Hands Clinic on Wednesdays, and Alachua Area Medical Reserve Corps on Mondays, to provide ongoing support, equipment and supplies necessary to operate their free medical clinics.

The logo features the words "GRACE CLINIC" in a large, blue, serif font with a thin black outline. The text is centered and sits above a horizontal black line.

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The clinics provide acute care and chronic disease management for hundreds of individuals who otherwise would have no access to care. Your donations will help us expand health care services provided for the poor and needy. We operate out of the premise that improving health for any segment of the population improves health and welfare for all of us.



## Our Goals

- Expand pharmacy services to all qualifying, needy individuals in the Alachua County area
- Support and expand the clinic where partner safety-net organizations can provide medical care to indigent and needy individuals in Gainesville, Florida, and the surrounding area
- Support multi-disciplinary medical mission teams and international medical education
- Bring acute medical care and pharmaceutical services, with links to social service programs, to the unsheltered people experiencing homelessness in the Alachua County area.

## Progress Made in 2021

- Grace Pharmacy saw 1,334 patients, dispensed 3,785 prescriptions and 1,473 over-the-counter pharmaceutical items.
- Alachua Area Medical Reserve Corps (AAMRC), the safety net partner using the Grace Clinic on Mondays for General Medical and Women's (Only) Clinics saw 192 patients. All the medical providers (1 MD, 4 APRNs, 2 RNs) staffing the AAMRC clinics are volunteers.

*We do not have access to and therefore cannot state patient numbers for Helping Hands or UF Mobile Outreach Clinic using Grace Clinic on Wednesdays and Thursdays respectively.*

- January – July, 806 COVID tests performed. GRACE Marketplace staff took over testing August – December.
- 540 COVID vaccinations and boosters given.



## Progress Made in 2021

- September, 2021, we founded the AAMRC Women's (Only) Clinic at GRACE. In homeless facilities, men typically outnumber women 2 to 1, with significant amounts of ongoing sexual assault and abuse. Twice a month, women who need services come through the general medical clinic (not outing them to their abusers) and taken to a separate space with consistent female providers and support from the Alachua Victim's Services/Rape Crisis Unit. Also offered: screening exams, birth control (IUD insertion, Nexplanon implants, Depo-Provera shots, Birth Control Pill prescriptions, emergency contraceptives), pap tests, endometrial biopsies, hepatitis B tests, HPV and HepB vaccinations, treatment for STDs and other infections, early pregnancy care and referral, counseling/advocacy.



- Housing and living assistance provided for two Haitian medical students attending UF for 1-month clinical rotations in Emergency Medicine.
- One of our goals previously was to establish a clinic where our safety net partners could provide care. We have now changed that goal to “support and expand” the clinic.

## **The Future**

Grace Healthcare Services Corp VISION: a world with less health disparity, where more people have the opportunity to reach their full potential.

- In addition to continuing free general medical and women's clinics and a free pharmacy, Grace Healthcare Services will be helping to support 4 Haitian medical students with housing and living expenses.
- We began collaborating with Peaceful Paths during the COVID Omicron surge to provide them with onsite COVID testing, and are exploring further collaboration with them around Women's (Only) Clinic services.
- We have just entered into an agreement with UF Psychiatry to participate in Grace Pharmacy's program to provide prescription medications for their new Street Psychiatry program.

## **Our Gratitude**

We wish to thank all of the organizations with whom Grace Healthcare Services Corp collaborates: Alachua Area Medical Reserve Corp/FL Department of Health, UF Mobile Outreach Clinic, Helping Hands, Equal Access Clinic, UF Psychiatry, GRACE Marketplace, City of Gainesville, Alachua County.

We are grateful to the UF Medical Guild who made it possible for the clinic space to be upgraded to a fresh, welcoming, bright, hopeful space.