



Live Oak Clinic of Brazosport

Providing Non-urgent, Primary Healthcare for the Medically Uninsured

September, 2008

Location

Brazoria County Dream Center
796 S. Brazosport Blvd
Clute, TX 77531

Hours

Thursday 6pm – 8pm
Eligibility Screening begins at 5pm

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Services

Primary healthcare
Out-patient care of diabetes
Out-patient care of hypertension
Out-patient lab & urine testing
Prescription assistance
Social service resources
Nutrition education

The mission of the Live Oak Clinic is to provide quality healthcare and education to the uninsured residents of Brazosport at minimal cost to patients in an environment which respects the dignity of each person.

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Providing medical services to the uninsured:

- Prevention
- Treatment
- Education

What is the Live Oak Clinic?

The Live Oak Clinic is an all-volunteer, non-urgent, primary healthcare facility for local residents who cannot afford private health insurance and who do not qualify for Medicare, Medicaid or CHIP. The clients' annual family income must not exceed 200 percent of the poverty level, currently defined as just over \$20,000 for a family of four. (Note: in Clute, the per capita income is \$14,008.)

The Clinic is the result of a task force of community leaders, medical practitioners and other concerned citizens who have taken on the challenge to meet the needs of the medically uninsured members of our community.

What is the need for the community?

Texas leads the nation with nearly 24%, or 5.4 million, uninsured people. Here in the greater Houston area, the uninsured rate varies by report, from 30 to 33%, the highest rate among the nation's top 10 metropolitan areas. Furthermore, the percentage of uninsured Texans has fluctuated between 20% and 25% over the last 20 years while the national average which has maintained virtually the same, around 16%. This shows a continuing trend of uninsured Texans, and the need for a solution.

The Effects

With a third of the population of our community lacking health insurance coverage and many others on Medicaid and Medicare, where government reimbursements are not covering the costs, each privately insured resident is facing an extra \$3,000 a year in premium costs.

Since the uninsured do not have a medical home, their recourse is the overburdened ER, and all residents pay the cost. The uninsured must wait for an illness to become critical before seeking medical care, resulting in escalated illness, with a constellation of chronic and acute diseases. By providing a continuity of care, Live Oak Clinic helps build a stronger, healthier community and reduces the financial demands on everyone. This is the only all volunteer clinic in the Brazosport area to exclusively serve the health needs of the uninsured.

What services are provided?

Currently the Live Oak Clinic is open three hours per week and is staffed by volunteer medical professionals and support staff. Services include:

- Primary non-urgent healthcare
- Prescription assistance
- Lab and urine tests
- Social service resources and references
- Nutrition and dental education

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Message from our President, Frank Mauro

When Live Oak Clinic's first president, Tim May, was unexpectedly transferred overseas, all of those associated with Live Oak knew that a replacement was necessary to sustain the clinic's early momentum, I volunteered to step in for Tim's remaining tenure as president.

In Brazoria County, there are estimates that between 20 -30% of the population is uninsured. Few organizations in our area have so obvious a need for their existence, as the all volunteer Live Oak Clinic. Live Oak's progress will be measured by the quality of services and the number of citizens that it serves. Our goal is to open our doors more than one night a week, in order to meet the needs of our present and future patients.

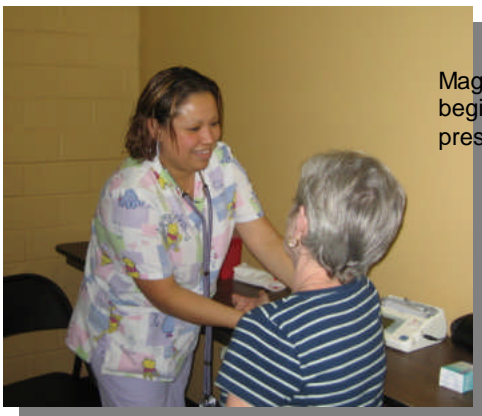
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Board President, Frank Mauro



Volunteers Sandra Hernandez, Mary Fuchs, & Marjorie Jacobson review LOC activities.

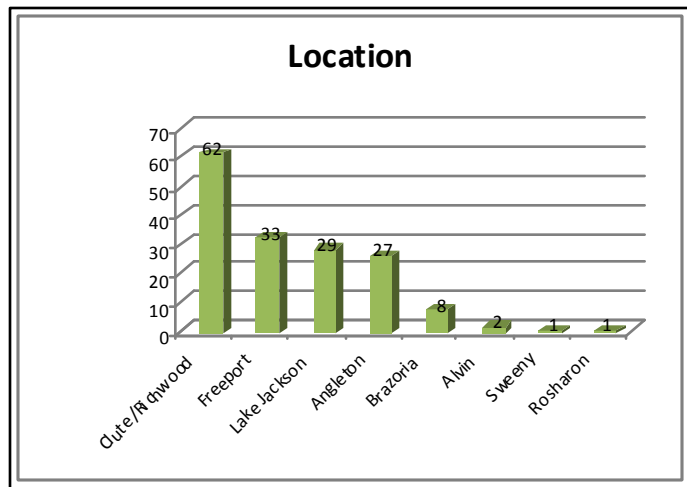
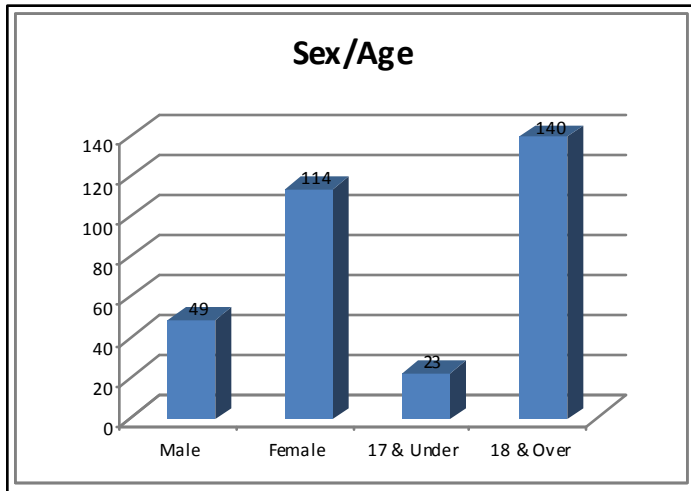


Maggie Lieja, N.A., begins a blood pressure check.



Volunteers Jennifer Koltzhammer, Alice Campbell and Beth Moerer discuss the Clinic website, www.liv oakclinic.org.

LOC Statistics



Gloria Coker, R.N., and Afzal Khan, M.D., prepare for their Thursday night patient visits.

How You Can Help

The Live Oak Clinic is a small non-profit entity that depends on the support of the community. Please consider sharing your time, talent and financial contributions to help us supply our services to those in need.

Volunteer opportunities exist in the following areas:

- Physicians
- Physician Assistants
- Nurse Practitioners
- Nurses
- Pharmacists
- Social Workers
- Dieticians
- Data Entry
- Fundraising
- Translators

Financial donations will be used in such areas as medical supplies or general operations (i.e. insurance). All gifts are tax-deductible.

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