



New Hope Clinic is almost entirely run by volunteers. With only one full-time and six paid staff, volunteers are responsible for most of the duties at the clinic, including treating and diagnosing patients, triaging and taking patient histories, checking eligibility, managing appointments, and entering data into our systems. Without these volunteers New Hope would not be able to function to provide the services desperately needed by the community. THANK YOU!

Since the individual mandate of the Affordable Care Act was put into effect in 2014, the rate of uninsured individuals aged 18-64 in North Carolina dropped from 25.6% in 2013 to 22.5% in 2014<sup>1</sup>. However, affording health insurance has continued to be a problem for many, especially if they have much more pressing daily concerns such as feeding their families, or paying for housing, utilities, and transportation. New Hope Clinic aims to fill in the gaps of the ACA in Brunswick County by seeing patients who can't afford insurance and who don't qualify for Medicaid or Medicare.

In 2014, New Hope saw 895 of these patients. However, this number is only 8.2% of the estimated 10,903 individuals potentially eligible for our services. One challenge in getting more patients to come to the clinic is a lack of transportation, especially for those living in the southern part of the county. We hope to begin to address this challenge with our new satellite location in Shallotte!

## NEW LOCATION

You may have heard the whispers that we are opening a new satellite location. It's true! New Hope Clinic is partnering with Brunswick Family Assistance Agency and renting rooms in their newly expanded office space in Shallotte. The office is not yet open, but please keep an eye out for updates about what services will be offered and hours of operation! Please also take a look at our wishlist to see if you have any items you could donate to help open the new office.

### Shallotte Office Wishlist

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|---|------------------------------------|
| 1 biohazard can (foot pedal)                          | 1 pulse oximeter                   |
| 2 sets, upper cabinets with shelves to mount to walls | 1 locking cabinet (supply storage) |
| 2 wall mount sphygmomanometers                        | 1 locking mini-refrigerator        |
| 1 wall mount otoscope & ophthalmoscope                | 1 Semi-automatic AED               |
| 1 oral thermometer                                    | 1 Adult repositioning bag          |
|   | 1 oxygen bottle/cart               |

1. National Center for Health Statistics, June 2015

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## FACEBOOK PAGE



We finally gave in. New Hope Clinic now has its very own Facebook page! Be sure to stop by to check us out and like us.

## NHC STATISTICS

January—June 2015

- > Total Patient Visits: 2,562
- > New Patients: 215
- > Volunteer Hours: 5,175

## New Hope Clinic, Inc.

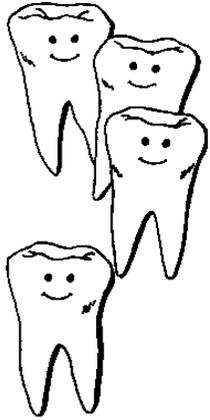
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Mission: To provide basic medical and dental care, diagnostic services and prescription drugs to low income, uninsured residents of Brunswick County and to enhance the quality of life, while preserving the privacy and dignity of every patient.

# New Hope News



## NEW FACES AT NEW HOPE



### *Dental Clinic*

New Hope Clinic is excited to add a new volunteer to our dental clinic. Daniel Spagnoli, DDS has recently joined our group of 11 dentists at New Hope. The dental clinic still primarily takes appointments for extractions, but Dr. Graham has recently started a daytime clinic so that we can provide fillings and cleanings for patients who are having their chronic diseases managed at New Hope Clinic. Appointments are very limited, but we are thrilled to be expanding our dental services.

### *QENO AmeriCorps VISTA*

Jess Howkins (that new girl in the admin office) is our new QENO AmeriCorps VISTA, taking over the work that Dan did last year. She recently moved to North Carolina from Grand Rapids, Michigan where she graduated college with a degree in public health. She will be working on several projects over the year that she is here, including improving methods of volunteer recruitment, volunteer management, and community outreach and marketing. Please contact Jess if you are interested in helping with these projects or have any great ideas to share. (Email: [vista@newhopeclinicfree.org](mailto:vista@newhopeclinicfree.org))



## Art With Heart

Join us for our biennial major fundraising event “Art With Heart” on October 4th. In addition to the live auction of original artwork, there will be a silent auction including art, vacations, gift certificates, & more, plus a raffle of outstanding prizes.

**WHEN:** Sunday, Oct 4, 2015 from 3pm to 6pm; Art preview at 2:30pm

**WHERE:** Southport Community Building (223 E Bay St, Southport, NC 28461)

**TICKETS:** \$20 per person, includes wine and heavy hors d'oeuvres  
Available at Howe Outrageous Gallery, Margaret Rudd & Assoc.  
Realtors, Ricky Evans Gallery, Southport Realty, St. Philip's Church,  
New Hope Clinic

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