

PHP Foundation Provides a Non-Interest Bearing Bridge Loan to Renovate and Expand Matthew 25 Health & Dental Clinic



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Physicians Health Plan of Northern Indiana (PHP), a local community-based leader in providing cost-efficient and innovative healthcare solutions, provided Matthew 25 Health and Dental Clinic a non-interest bearing bridge loan in the amount of \$300,000 to facilitate renovations to the existing clinic and the addition of a Patient Education Center.

Matthew 25, located at 413 E. Jefferson Blvd., fills a critical need in our community, providing free medical, dental, vision, hearing, prescription, wellness education, and patient advocacy services to uninsured, low-income residents of Northeast Indiana and Northwest Ohio.

Now in its 41st year, Matthew 25 has expanded services to include patient education in either a group setting or 1-on-1 and mental health counseling. Currently, the clinic offers Diabetes Education in both English and Spanish, a Smoking Cessation Program, Nutrition Education, and Asthma Education. Matthew 25 is also looking to offer more education programs, in both English and Spanish, for patients. Additional improvements included flooring upgrades, building upgrades, and infrastructure upgrades.

The bridge loan originated on December 5, 2016 and will be repaid in full on March 27, 2017.

Mark Dixon, Matthew 25 CEO, expresses, "The partnership with PHP as well as their generosity has allowed Matthew 25 to complete its capital campaign on time and with no delays in the construction process. Matthew 25 is very thankful for the interest-free loan and the financial support provided to us by PHP, as it is foundational to our continued operation."

In fiscal year 2015-2016, the clinic provided 21,022 patient visits. Situated in the heart of downtown Fort Wayne, Matthew 25 is a pillar for primary healthcare in Fort Wayne for the uninsured and is proud to be a part of the fabric of the community.

Matthew 25 is accepting donations to continue our mission. For more information on Matthew 25, or how you can support their community efforts, please visit <http://www.matthew25online.org/> or call (260) 469-0467.