



Directory of HRSA Health Care for the Homeless Grantees

HCH Directory - Georgia

Saint Joseph's Mercy Care Services, Inc.

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Project Description

Saint Joseph's Mercy Care Services (SJMCS) has a multi-cultural focus, serving clients who are African-American, Hispanic, Asian, and Caucasian. Special emphasis is placed on meeting the primary medical needs of the homeless and immigrant populations in metropolitan Atlanta and providing the associated supportive services they may need

Services

Services are offered at four fixed site clinics and at several mobile clinics. Delivery of services at mobile clinics is accomplished using a system of five vans and a mobile coach. Services at fixed sites are available 5 days a week, with evening clinics at certain locations and at mobile clinics according to a published monthly schedule. A combination of paid staff and volunteers provides services at approximately 40 locations each month. SJMCS provides primary health care, health education, immunizations, HIV counseling and testing, AIDS outreach, an infectious disease program, dental services, women's health care, and supportive social services. Substance abuse residential recovery programs are provided in collaboration with several private non-profit organizations.

Linkages

Referrals and ancillary services are provided at Grady Memorial Hospital and other local hospitals and mental health centers. Saint Joseph's Mercy Care Services has a close working relationship with Saint Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta for referrals and has established many informal relationships with physicians who provide pro bono or low cost services.

Statistics

Estimated homeless population: 7,019 Patients served: 9,995

Subcontractor(s):

Another Chance of Atlanta, Inc.

1915 Lisa Lane
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Breakthru House

1866 Eastfield Street
Decatur, GA 30032
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Hope House Caring Works, Inc.

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Atlanta, GA 30303
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Hugs Recovery Center

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East Point, GA 30344
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Mary Hall Freedom House, Inc.

200 Hanover Park Road, Suite 100
Atlanta, GA 30350
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St. Jude's Recovery House, Inc.

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Atlanta, GA 30308
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Stand, Inc.

4319 Covington Highway, Suite 117A
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Tangu, Inc.

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Project Description

Union Mission, founded in 1936, works to prevent and end homelessness in Greater Savannah, Chatham County.

The J.C. Lewis Health Center, a 32-bed respite care facility for the homeless, opened in September of 1999. The Center also operates outlying clinics, including the Social Apostolate and Salvation Army. The Center provides primary holistic health care through an array of venues, including outpatient clinics, off site clinics at other agencies (Social Apostolate, Salvation Army), respite care program, and educational services. The State of Georgia has chosen J.C. Lewis Health Center as a model for providing health care to homeless individuals. The Center provides technical assistance to other agencies throughout the State of Georgia.

Services

Primary Healthcare, Physician services, medication assistance, medical case management, health prevention and promotion, shelter and housing referrals, economic education and referral, nutritional education and planning, dietary supplementation, prisoner re-entry program, 24 respite care, behavioral health counseling, transportation services.

Linkages

Union Mission's partners include Memorial Health University Health Center, St. Josephs/Candler Health System, Chatham County Health Department, City of Savannah, United Way, Georgia Department of Community Affairs, U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Georgia Region 13 for Substance Abuse, Mental Health and Mental Retardation, Recovery Place of Savannah, America's Second Harvest of the Coastal Empire, and The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. The J.C. Lewis Health Center has formal protocols for referral and admission with Memorial Health University Medical Center and St. Joseph's/Candler Health System. The J.C. Lewis Health Center also has linkages with the Savannah Health Mission and the Community Health Center.

Statistics

Estimated homeless population: 5,845 Patients served: 4,771

Subcontractor(s):

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