Two Decades, One Mission

As our twentieth year of serving the community comes to a close, we reflect on the people we have served, the work that remains to be done, and all those who have helped and continue to help us fulfill our mission. The medical, dental, behavioral health and health education we provide requires a dynamic group of volunteers, the generosity of donors and the commitment of community partners. It has been our joy to celebrate throughout 2018 the time, talent and treasure they have so generously donated to CVIM:

• In the spring we celebrated all of our volunteers at The Desmond Hotel in Malvern, PA. We were proud to honor nine who have been with us for all 20 years and continue to serve as we plan for the future.

• We welcomed our community partners to CVIM for an evening reception this summer, giving many the opportunity to see CVIM in action for the first time, especially those who help us “behind the scenes”.

• This October we honored our Founders and celebrated twenty-one new Pillar Society members at The Ballroom at Ellis Preserve, Newtown Square, PA. Members of our Pillar Society have made lifetime charitable commitments to CVIM - we thank them for making CVIM an important part of their lives.

Closing our 20th Anniversary year our hearts are filled with appreciation for everyone who has helped us touch and improve the lives of those who have been rendered invisible and excluded. As an organization we will always have a need for volunteers, community partners, donors and new friends to catch those who fall through the cracks of our healthcare system.

We challenge ourselves, and invite you to join us, as we embark on the next decade of providing healthcare, hope and healing to our community. Through the quiet generosity of a CVIM supporter who has offered a $25,000 challenge donation in honor of our 20th Anniversary your gift before December 31 will have a double impact.

Welcome New Pillar Society Members:
AEGON
S. Albert Fund of The Philadelphia Foundation
Americares
BNY Mellon Mid-Atlantic Trust
Cerner
Chester County Dental Lab/Andrew Hoopes
Chester County Fund for Women & Girls
Msgr. Francis J. Depman
Direct Relief
John & Cathy Garvey
The Harrison Family
Haverford Trust
HERSHEY’S MILL CVIM Volunteers
Gail Hoffman
Impact 100 Philadelphia
Robin Lasko
Liberty Property Trust
Michael & Nancy McLelland
Penn Medicine
Francie & Richard Warther
Skip & Kathy Withrow

CVIM’s 20 Year Volunteers at the “Volunteering is a Work of Heart” Celebration at The Desmond Hotel, Malvern, PA. Left to right: Mike Buongiorno, CVIM Past Board Chair; Rev. Dr. Lorina Marshall-Blake, Independence Blue Cross Foundation; State Senator Andy Dinniman; Michelle Schwartz, CRNP; Paula Rhodes, RN; Graeme Hudson, DDS; Peter Hillyer, MD; Elizabeth Brecht; Murfee Aceto, RN, CVIM Board Member and Volunteer; Sally Hull; Wanda Beilenson, RPh.

Together, WEARECVIM
CVIM’s 20th Anniversary Celebration was held on Thursday, October 11th at The Ballroom at Ellis Preserve. Close to 200 attendees joined in honoring CVIM’s 20 years of providing free healthcare to the most vulnerable children, adults and seniors in our shared community. It was a privilege to have the families of our Founders present to help celebrate this milestone occasion and to honor the vision and leadership of Gordon B. Hattersley, Jr., Buck Bell and Betty Moran. During the evening’s festivities 21 new members were welcomed into CVIM’s prestigious Pillar Society, honoring the most charitable of CVIM’s supporters. We are pleased to share some memories from this special event!

“My life has been enriched by your contribution. I pray that your life is blessed with the level of kindness and generosity you’ve given to my husband and I and other recipients of CVIM care. You’ve made a positive lasting difference in my life and I thank you with all my heart.” ~ A Grateful Patient
Learn, Earn, and Return

These are the three words Duke and Kim Schneider of West Chester live by. Listening to a commencement speech at their daughter’s graduation ceremony from Penn State University, the words learn, earn, and return were used to focus on giving back - and it all connected for them.

Married for 30 years and blessed with two daughters, Haley and Heather, Duke and Kim were immersed in the culture of charitable giving and service to community early in their professions (Duke is a Partner at MacElree Harvey Ltd. and Kim has worked in the healthcare performance improvement industry for 25 years), and that motivated them to support non-profit organizations like CVIM.

“CVIM is very impressive, but most of all, the medical professionals, dentists, and practitioners, on top of their busy schedules, give of themselves committing days to providing access to medical care to those who are uninsured,” said Kim. “We appreciate knowing that these professionals give what is the most precious gift, the aspect of time and they give more – it is amazing.”

Duke and Kim believe CVIM is providing a service desperately needed in the Chester County region. “There are many people who have jobs, but do not have health benefits and healthcare is very expensive,” said Duke. “If the private sector is going to act to fix healthcare, CVIM is a shining example of what the private sector can do to make a tremendous and positive impact on the accessibility and provision of care.”

Duke and Kim annually support CVIM through The Harrison Society, a group of committed individuals who support CVIM with gifts of $1,000 or more each year, and very recently became members of CVIM’s new Cornerstone Society, which recognizes those who have included CVIM in their long-term financial and estate plans. “Duke and I support CVIM annually, but to make a big impact, I think the easiest way you can do that is by designating an organization like CVIM as a beneficiary of your Will or estate plans.”

How Does CVIM Fit Within Your Lifestory?

The CVIM Cornerstone Society

The CVIM Cornerstone Society recognizes and honors those individuals who have included CVIM in their long-term financial and estate plans, through a bequest provision in their Will, by establishing a life-income gift, or through another form of a deferred gift. A planned gift to CVIM as part of your estate plan provides a meaningful way of extending personal gratitude and appreciation to CVIM. For more information about these and other easy ways to create a legacy at CVIM, contact Jason Arbacheski, Director of Development at 610-836-5990, ext. 132, or email him at JArbacheski@cvim.org.
A Closer Look: Impact Driven Programs

Women’s Health Program

More than half of CVIM’s patients are women with long histories of healthcare neglect, resulting from poverty and lack of access to care and healthy foods. They are low income individuals who are heads of households, many of whom work 2-3 jobs to feed their families, struggle to put a roof over their head and provide families with the basics of life such as food, clothing, and transportation. Because they have not had access to preventative care and diagnostic testing, many of our female patients arrive at CVIM with potentially severe health problems.

As in all previous years, our largest gender cohort is comprised of female patients. This fact underscores the need for gender-dedicated services which are provided in our Women’s Health Program. This program consolidates key primary medical services with gynecology and breast health screenings into two days per week; thus serving the needs of busy working women and single mothers who are unable to take the extra time to come to our medical facility on multiple days.

Women’s Health services in Fiscal Year 2018 included:

- 2,281 women received coordinated, culturally-sensitive women’s health care.
- 523 women and girls received routine and follow-up gynecological exams during 718 visits – a large increase from the prior year.
- 348 women received screening and follow-up mammograms.
- 402 women received diagnostic PAP tests.
- 36 women received colposcopies and 11 woman received an endometrial biopsy to further diagnose issues affecting their gynecological health.
- 100% of all Women’s Health program patients were screened for depression, anxiety, substance/alcohol use and interpartner violence.

New Non-Opioid Pain Management Program

As a free clinic serving more than 4,000 uninsured patients annually, CVIM is fully aware that the Chester County region is not immune from the current opioid crisis. With a grant from the Independence Blue Cross Foundation STOP program, we are building upon our pilot pain management assessment program and working to fully integrate pain management protocols into our clinic-wide model of care. We are focusing on staff and volunteer clinician education, effective non-opioid pain management therapies, and increased utilization of our pain assessment tool, all leading to our clinicians’ improved ability to diagnose and treat pain. Once identified, patients are enrolled in multidisciplinary pain management services including medical, pharmacological and self-care, addressing the debilitating effects of pain, avoidance of opioid use and education on eliminating the risk of opioid abuse. CVIM is focusing on advancing our Non-Opioid Pain Management Program to improve the lives of those who live with chronic pain without the use of narcotics.
When Adys Mendizabal, MD first walked the halls of CVIM she was a third year medical student at Temple University School of Medicine. Working alongside Mary Wirshup, MD, CVIM's Vice President of Medical Affairs, Adys learned the ins-and-outs of practicing family medicine in a healthcare center for the uninsured and felt a special connection to our patient population. Upon starting her Neurology Residency with Penn Medicine, Dr. Mendizabal knew there was a way she could connect her Residency program with the patients in need of neurology services at CVIM. Within a short time Mike Rubenstein, MD, Associate Professor of Clinical Neurology, University of Pennsylvania and Adult Neurologist at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, was bringing neurology residents with him to see patients at CVIM. Dr. Wirshup could not be more thankful for the connections her students and former students continue to make for CVIM’s patients. “Our patients are so sick,” said Dr. Wirshup. “Connections like these are what help CVIM meet the healthcare needs of the community so all people have a chance to live healthier lives.”

Since 1996, the Eagles Charitable Foundation's Eagles Eye Mobile and Eagles Glasses Lab have been making free vision screenings, eye exams and prescription glasses accessible to under-insured and uninsured children in the Greater Philadelphia area. The program has benefited more than 81,000 children and distributed more than 56,000 eyeglasses. Children of uninsured families are at risk for being left behind in school if their health and vision needs are not met. The Eagles Eye Mobile teams up with CVIM twice a year to meet the vision needs of some of our youngest patients. The Eagles have their eyes on the prize this year – and now the kids at CVIM do, too!

At the Chester County Community Foundation's Annual Meeting and Anniversary Preview on October 22, CVIM was honored to be recognized as a 'nonprofit gem' and to receive a generous gift. The 12 gems selected by the Foundation and their esteemed Jordan Award winners, will be honored throughout the Foundation's 25th Anniversary year. We look forward to sharing those featured moments with you!
Thank You For Celebrating 20 Years With Us!

18th Annual Golf Classic

Tuesday, June 11 at Applebrook Golf Club, 100 Line Road, Malvern, PA

We look forward to the 18th Annual Golf Classic as we welcome our newest Board Member, Jim Smart, as our Honorary Golf Classic Chair. Over the last 18 years the Golf Classic has continued to be a premier event that raises awareness and support for CVIM’s mission. With the commitment of sponsors and players, more than $4 million has been raised over the lifetime of the tournament. Please join us this year for an incredible day of golf and community! Please contact Jason Arbacheski, Director of Development, at 610-836-5990 x132 or JArbacheski@cvim.org, for more information and sponsorship opportunities.

Save the Date!

Polka Dots Boutique
Paoli Shopping Center, 29 Leopard Road, Paoli
Tuesday, December 4, 2018

• Shop for the holiday season with us from 5-8pm at Polka Dots Boutique in Paoli. A percentage of all sales that day will go to CVIM!

Radley Run Art Show - % of Sales to CVIM
100 Country Club Road, West Chester
Friday, March 8 & Saturday, March 9, 2019

• Local artists will be showcased at Radley Run Country Club with many great pieces for sale, including handmade jewelry!

Annual Harrison Society Donor Appreciation Event
Tuesday, March 26, 2019

• Join us for our second annual Harrison Society Donor Appreciation event. Location to be decided. Stay tuned!

18th Annual Golf Classic
100 Line Road, Malvern
Tuesday, June 11, 2019

• Join us at Applebrook Golf Club in support of our mission to provide the uninsured in our community quality, affordable healthcare.

The Holiday Season is just around the corner. Did you know if you shop on Amazon you can shop through AmazonSmile and Amazon will give a percentage of your purchase to the charity of your choice? Simply go to AmazonSmile, select Community Volunteers in Medicine as your charity and shop as you normally would. Consider making the shopping you are already doing for your friends and loved ones go further with just a click!

Does Your Employer Match Your Charitable Gift?

Many corporations have workplace giving programs to help develop philanthropy by their employees. CVIM salutes those companies and the generosity of their employees. If you work for a large corporation, check with your human resources department to find out about its matching-gift policy. CVIM supporters that work in the private sector can donate through their workplace giving drives such as the United Way. Please list Community Volunteers in Medicine as your Charity of Choice on your United Way pledge forms. We thank you for your support and making CVIM your donor choice charity.

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