# M25 NEWSLETTER

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# BBQ, Bourbon & Burlesque: A Roaring Success

What a night! Our very first BBQ, Bourbon & Burlesque was a roaring success, and we can't thank our guests enough for bringing the energy—and the sparkle. From feathered headbands to dapper suspenders, the 1920s attire was fabulous and set the scene for an unforgettable evening.

Caryn Wells of Green River Distilling wowed us all with her bourbon expertise, guiding guests through a tasting program that was as smooth as the spirits themselves. Add in a buffet piled high with smoky goodness from Thomason's BBQ, Homer's BBQ, and Lonestar BBQ, and it's safe to say no one left hungry!

And just when we thought the night couldn't get any better, the Drop Dead Darlings lit up the stage with a burlesque performance that closed the evening in true show-stopping fashion.

Most importantly, thank you to everyone who donated and took the time to learn about the difference Matthew 25 is making in our region. Your generosity ensures we can keep expanding our impact—and do it in style!

Until next year... keep your pearls polished and your bourbon neat!











# GREEN RIVER

KENTUCKY STRAIGHT WHISKEY



















# Looking for a career that makes a difference every day?

Matthew 25 was voted as one of the Best Places to Work in KY for the past 3 years! Come join our team and be part of our growth and impact!

# **Current Openings:**

Case Management Specialist-Henderson

Case Management Specialist-Owensboro

Medical Director-Part Time

Housing Case Management Specialist-Bowling Green

Kentucky Prevention & Education Assistant-Henderson

Prevention & Education Assistant-Evansville

Join Matthew 25 and enjoy competitive pay, great benefits, no required overtime, and a mission-driven team where your work truly matters.





Matthew 25 provides supplemental food to anyone who is HIV+, regardless of whether they are a patient. We have several food assistance options across our service area.

## Zack's Kitchen - Patient's-Choice Food Pantry

Our Henderson and Evansville Clinics are home to Zack's Kitchen. Patients have the opportunity to select from a variety of food items, personal essentials, and household necessities. Orders can be placed easily through our website or at the clinic using our tablet kiosk.

## Current Needs:

Medium sized cardboard boxes
Saltine Crackers
Canned fruit/beans
Any size Ziploc bags

Toiletries
Paper towels/napkins
Plastic cutlery
Dish and laundry soap





# Clinic Update: Advancing Care & Expanding Services

We're excited to share some important updates about our ongoing commitment to high-quality, accessible care for our community.

## **Ending the HIV Epidemic Funds**

We had a patient who lost everything to a house fire this month. With the help of Ending the HIV Epidemic Funds (EHE), case management worked together to get the individual canned foods, clothing, work boots, a mattress, kitchen supplies, toiletries and cleaning supplies.

## **STI Rapid Testing**

Our Evansville team completed their first rapid STI testing with results given in under 30 minutes. This new and improved testing is providing patients with faster results and more rapid treatment options.

### **Mobile Unit**

Matthew 25's mobile unit is out in the community each week, bringing vital services directly to those who need them most. Stay tuned to see where we'll be next! Anyone interested in scheduling our mobile unit to be present at your facility or event, please reach out to Angie Poe at apoe@matthew25clinic.org.



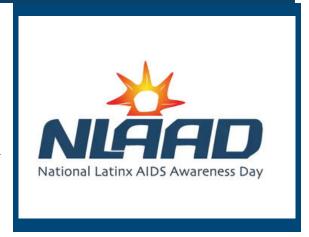


# **Housing Update**

As of this month, 23 households have been moved to permanent housing through our supportive services. Our housing services team has helped alleviate a major barrier to healthcare through this program to help our patients thrive!

# National LatinX AIDS Awareness Day

October 15 is National Latinx AIDS Awareness Day (NLAAD). NLAAD was first observed in 2003 by the Hispanic Federation and the Latino Commission on AIDS (LCOA). NLAAD is an opportunity to help address the disproportionate impact of HIV in Hispanic/Latinx communities, promote HIV testing, and stop HIV stigma.





## **Patient Navigator**

Christina Studdard became a Certified Professional Patient Navigator (CPPN) through the Patient-Centered Education and Research Institute. This certification allows for the opportunity to create additional billing services in the future.

Christina serves as a Patient Navigator at our Bowling Green location.





# United States Conference on HIV/AIDS

Our team was honored to attend USCHA 2025 earlier this month. This year's theme "Aging with HIV" has never been more relevant to our clinic, and the world. As HIV prevention and care has continued to improve year over year, thanks to programs like the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program, so have the lives of people living with HIV.

It's vital that we recognize the growing HIV & aging population, so that we can continue to meet the needs of those living with HIV at all points in their journey.





## **Summer Summit**

The Kentucky Part B Summer Summit is an annual training held yearly in Frankfort that provides training, technical assistance, and updates to all subrecipients of the Ryan White Care Coordination program.

Stephanie Bailey and Skye Hance were recognized at this year's Summer Summit for their outstanding work and compassion for our patients. This honor highlights their dedication and is a true testament to the high-quality, patient-centered care they provide each and every day. Stephanie and Skye serve as Case Managers through the Ryan White Care Coordination Program, a funding initiative of the Kentucky Department for Public Health.





# WHERE TO FIND US IN OCTOBER!

## **Indiana Events**



Wednesday, October 1 – University of Evansville 9:00 – 11:00

Thursday, October 2 – Hope Central 12:00 – 1:00

Tuesday, October 7 – Hope Central 4:00 – 6:00

Thursday, October 9 – Hope Dot Com 11:00 – 1:00

Tuesday, October 14 – Patchwork Central 9:00 – 12:00

Thursday, October 16 – Evansville Treatment Center 8:30 – 10:30

Saturday, October 18 – NAMI Walks 10:00 – 1:00

Wednesday, October 22 - St. Anthony's 10:00 - 12:00

Thursday, October 30 - UCS 2:00 - 4:00

**All Hands on Deck Live** 

Morgan Sipes and Olivia
Blanco-Allega presented at the
"All Hands on Deck Live"
conference in Indianapolis this
month. They presented on our
harm reduction program –
how we started, where we are
at, and where we are going.



We'd love to participate in community events. Reach out to us! Indiana- email oblancoematthew25clinic.org

# INDIANA YEAR TO DATE DATA Data 1/1/25-8/31/25

**TOTAL CLIENTS SERVED** 

VIRAL SUPPRESSION RATE OF

#### **AGES SERVED**

18 - 24: 9

25 - 34: 85

35 - 44: **97** 

45 - 54: 86

55 - 64: 88

65 - 74: 39

75 years & older: 6

#### **GENDER**

Female: 88

Male: 308

Other Gender Identity: 1

Transgender FtM: 3

Transgender MtF: 10



### 967 HIV TESTS



**6 Reactive Tests** 

### 340 HEP C TESTS



IDU Kit: 211

Narcan: 592

Smoking Kit: 229

Snorting Kit: 244

20 Reactive Tests

#### HARM REDUCTION KITS

Fentanyl test strips: 363

Xylazine test strips: 106

ALL NARCAN AND FENTANYL/XYLAZINE TEST STRIPS ARE PROVIDED BY EVANSVILLE RECOVERY ALLIANCE

#### Hemophilia: 1

Heterosexual: 135

IDU: 30

MSM: 211

MSM & IDU: 24

Not Specified: 7

Perinatal: 2

### CLIENTS ON A PREP REGIMEN



#### COUNTIES SERVED



DUBOIS: 19 GIBSON: 8

LAKE: 1

MARTIN: 3 ORANGE: 1

PERRY: 3 PIKE: 4

SPENCER: 5

**OUTSIDE INDIANA: 15** 

#### **IDU KIT INCLUDES:**

- 1 bottle of bleach
- 1 bleach cleaning instructions

Sharps Containers: 75

- 3 gauze pads
- 2 tripple antibiotic
- 1 pinch of cotton pellets
- 2 mints
- 2 cookers
- 1 tourniquet
- 1 lube packet
- 1 condom
- 2 bandaids
- 3 sterile waters
- 4 alcohol prep pads
- 2 straws

#### **SNORTING KIT INCLUDES:**

- 2 blank plastic cards
- 2 lip balm packets
- 1 triple antibiotic
- 2 straws
- 2 bump spoons
- 1 safety razor
- 1 lube packet 1 condom
- KEY:

**IDU=INJECTION DRUG USE** MSM= MEN HAVING SEX WITH MEN

#### **SMOKING KIT INCLUDES:**

- 3 gauze pads
- 2 hand sanitizer packets
- 2 mints
- 2 lip balm packets 1 lube packet
- 1 condom
- 2 pipe covers
- 2 straws

#### DAVIESS: 20 MARION: 1



HARRISON: 1 **KNOX: 15** 

**VANDERBURGH: 283** VIGO: 1 WARRICK: 21 POSEY: 9



PRESCRIPTIONS **FILLED** 



**MEDICATION ASSISTANCE** 



**TOTAL ECARE PLANS** COMPLETED



**PRESCRIPTIONS** DELIVERED



# WHERE TO FIND US IN OCTOBER!

# **Kentucky Events**



10/2 The Gathering Pointe testing 10-12 (400 E. 4<sup>th</sup> St.)

10/11 SoberFest Ohio County (mobile unit) 11-2

10/14 Healthy on the Hill 10:15-12:30

10/15 Cultural Orientation @ The International Center 9:30-12

10/21 Live the Proof BG 10-12

10/21 Expungement Clinic at Passport by Molina BG 4-6 pm

10/25 BG Pride 12-5

10/28 BRDHD Ribbon Cutting 3-4

Save The Date: Runway Red Saturday, March 28, 2026



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## **BEST OF BOWLING GREEN**



We have been nominated in several categories for Best of Bowling Green by The Bowling Green Daily News. We'd appreciate you taking the time to vote by September 30th.

**Best Non-Profit-Matthew 25** 

**Best Nurse Practitioner-Charlie Rose** 

**Best Mental Health Counselor-Wade McGuire** 

Click image to vote!

Vote Vote Vote Vote Vote Vote