Ben Massell Dental Clinic

A Program of Jewish Family & Career Services (JF&CS)

Providing A Safety Net for Dental Care and Social Services to Atlanta’s Working Poor
Key JF&CS Priorities

- Increase Health & Wellness
- Increase/Maintain Self Sufficiency
- Increase Community Engagement
- Target Most Vulnerable Populations
Building on a 100 year legacy of dental care for Atlanta’s neediest patients, the Ben Massell Dental Clinic (BMDC) is the only resource in metro Atlanta for comprehensive, quality dental care at no cost to impoverished individuals who are unable to pay for preventative, routine or specialty dental services.
About Ben Massell Dental Clinic

• No patient fees

• Patients are at 125% of the federal poverty level or lower

• Paid support staff includes:
  5 Dental Assistants & 2 Hygienists

• Unique Volunteer dentist model = 155+
  Volunteer commitment is ½ day per month

• FY12 – Provided In-Kind dental services
  with a market value of $2.66M

• Dentists average 20 years of service

• Standing agreements with GHSU & technical colleges for internships and supervised training
Service Offerings

• **Dental**
  - Preventative
  - General
  - Orthodontics
  - Endodontics
  - Oral Surgery
  - Restorative
  - Periodontics

• **Wraparound services**
  - Information, Referral & Assistance
  - Mental Health Services
  - Vision & Primary Health Screenings
Clinic Philosophy

• We are not just giving back smiles; we are giving hope.
• A smile opens doors to overall health, wellness and self sufficiency.
• Everyone should have access to first class dental care regardless of their means.
• Our only limitation is capacity – we will see as many patients as we can.
Opportunities and Challenges

• Capacity
  ▪ Accepting 45-50 new patients per week

• Growth
  ▪ Volunteer Dentist Recruitment
  ▪ Further service specialization
  ▪ New collaborative opportunities

• Sustainability
  ▪ Increased community support
  ▪ New funding through collaborations

• Best Practices
  ▪ Continuous Process Improvement & Innovation
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