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BECAUSE EVERYONE DESERVES HEALTHCARE

*Building a BVMJ for
a better tomorrow*





Meet Jeanette and Rodrigo

Jeanette's back pain and sciatic nerve issues have caused her to cut back on her house cleaning job. Rodrigo is employed by a car wash. They cannot afford health insurance, making it difficult to get all the medical care they need from various healthcare providers. They became BVMI patients in 2023 and have been seen by several health specialists

for multiple conditions and concerns, with treatment plans to improve their health and well-being.

"It has been a great help to have this medical service available to us," said Rodrigo.

The doctor also referred Jeanette to our Prevent Diabetes Program; in addition to making lifestyle changes to prevent diabetes and other

Rodrigo and Jeanette are being treated by these specialists

Cardiologist

Nutritionist

Orthopedist

Physical
Therapist

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Now I take better care of myself and I feel very good.

— Rodrigo

from a variety of healthcare providers. As our patients' medical needs grow more complex, we are also growing to meet them through donor support.

"Anyone with the financial resources to help people should make a donation to BVMI; this clinic helps many people who really need it," said Jeanette.

With Your Help, BVMI is Serving More Patients



1,001

Patients served in 2023



300

New patients projected
in 2024



38%

Visits increased by 38%
in 2023 over prior year



100

Patients on waiting list

health conditions, she is working with a nutritionist on improving her entire family's diet.

Before BVMI, Rodrigo and Jeanette, who have multiple health conditions, would go without medical attention or needed medications. Now they have access to compassionate medical care

Shining the Volunteer Spotlight on ... Dr. Madeeha Shahzadi



Dr. Shahzadi, a native of Pakistan, is a board-certified pulmonologist and critical care physician; she treats BVMI patients with lung-related conditions.

Upon being introduced to our work at BVMI, Dr. Shahzadi was drawn to our mission immediately. Inspired by her mother's lifelong examples of philanthropy, she is finding great reward working with our patients. In fact, she hopes

to establish a similar free healthcare center in Pakistan one day.

Are you feeling called to support those who need healthcare and cannot afford insurance? As our patient load and complexity increase dramatically, we need more clinical volunteers like Dr. Shahzadi to deliver high-quality care across the healthcare spectrum.

We'll soon be expanding our reach when our second clinic opens in Garfield later this year.



Donate Today!

You can make a difference for patients:
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Dear Friend,

Every day at BVMI, we see the increasing demand for free, high-quality healthcare among those we serve, and we are growing in 2024 to meet the need. We are expanding our programs to address the complex medical conditions our patients are facing. And with BVMI@Unity Health – our second clinic in Garfield – we will soon welcome more patients seeking our services ... people who, without BVMI, would go without the care they deserve.

With so much growth this year, we are asking you to help us support more people in more ways with your generous donation. The need is growing; together, we can answer the call.

P.S. Please join us at *Cheers to BVMI* on May 15 at Pinstripes, Bergen County's newest event venue register now at BVMI.org/Events.

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BVMI'S 4TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

June 24, 2024
Arcola Country Club

Early Bird Pricing
Available Until April 15.



Contact Maria Surovetz, msurovetz@bvmi.net,
for more information and sponsorship opportunities.



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Your monthly gift – in any amount – gives BVMI a reliable base of ongoing support while YOU



make a difference in people's lives. For the cost of a fancy latte, your recurring gift of \$5 buys exam room supplies for one month. Your \$15 monthly gift provides flu shots for 18 patients, keeping them and our community healthy!



ACT NOW (and get that latte!)

Thanks to a generous donor, the first 10 people who sign up to give recurring monthly gifts will receive a \$20 gift card to Starbucks or Dunkin' Donuts. (expires March 31).



Mission: Powered by passionate volunteers, BVMI delivers free, high-quality healthcare to Bergen County's working uninsured, helping them live healthy, productive lives.

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