

Happy Holidays to all our Friends and Supporters!

Wow! Can you believe it has been 10 years since the first patient was seen on the Crews'n Healthmobile! 2010 was an eventful year for all involved and we wanted to share a few stories with all of our friends as we close out the year. We know that our success is directly related to all the support you have given us over the years!

First and foremost is the fact that we are all hard at work taking care of homeless and at-risk youth. As we mentioned last year the numbers of kids that need our help seem to grow on a monthly basis. In 2009 we had over 3,500 medical visits. Yesterday Michelle told us the number for this year may be closer to 4,800! When we made her Program Director this year we didn't realize how much she would make us all work! Seriously though, there are so many of our patients that tell us each and every day that without our services they would literally have no where to go.

As you stretch your imagination to figure out how we saw all those kids, add in to the chaos of the year the fact that we moved in 2010! Yes that's right, we moved our offices to UMOM and I can honestly say that we never want to move again! We had no internet connection or desks or computers or chairs or tables or printers or fax machines or basically anything that would resemble office furniture or supplies. Thankfully the staff (read Reece) scoured Craigslist for the best deals and actually put together all the chairs and desks with his own set of "awesome and manly" tools. Lucky for us the Virginia Piper Trust stepped up to grant us urgent funds to get this all accomplished.

Adding to this crazy time we continued to grow and expand our services and are proud to say that we increased our sites to include the South Mountain YMCA and another clinic at Children First Academy. Not to mention we added programs like prenatal care, safety, exercise and smoking cessation. Yes, Kim went crazy this year. So much so that we needed to hire someone to look after her and to make it easy we hired another super enthusiastic and dedicated employee by the name of Kim who came from the ER!

Wendy continues in her role as Queen of Volunteer Services for our program. When she wasn't looking we also added in responsibilities like plan the 10 year anniversary party and supervise the ever growing support staff we have here at the program. She does all this with finesse and the party was a fantastic success with proceeds still rolling in!

Julie has been working way above her job description and although we will not be able to promote her or give her a raise given the dire economic environment we did elevate her to "Princess" a position she has lobbied for during the last 3 years. The only other one in contention was Dr Sarah Beaumont, but luckily we were able to elevate her to Goddess of Calm as her clinics are always peaceful and efficient.

Nora was of course bombarded with more referrals for specialists than ever before. Clearly the majority of these came from Dr Cody or Critical Care Cody as we like to call her on the days she sends two or more kids to the ER! Though you can't make fun of them because I truly believe the children we see are receiving such a high standard of care and are getting to their specialists' appointments all thanks to the efforts of these two individuals.

Randy and Jan have been busy seeing patients and looking around in amazement as they see the unbelievable success that started with a run down Winnebago and an idea that children on the street should have access to proper health care.

There are always more stories to tell but instead of going on and on we encourage you all to find us on Facebook or check out our website at www.crewshealthmobile.com. Please stop by or drop us a line because we care about you because you care about our kids!

The Team



Randy
Michelle

Julie
Cody

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Jan

Sarah

Reece

Wendy