

THE OZANAM PRESCRIPTION

Serving Mobile, Baldwin, Escambia and Washington Counties

WINTER NEWSLETTER AND ANNUAL REPORT 2023
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WHAT'S NEW?

- ✓ THE GROWTH OF PRODUCE Rx DAY
- ✓ BAYOU ON THE MOVE
- ✓ JINGLE MINGLE 2023

WELCOME TO THE OZ SQUAD!
Our New Board President and Vice President...

Moving Forward...

A Word from Mrs. Shearie J. Archer, Executive Director

Looking back on 2023, we take this time to pause and observe the constant growth of our organization. What wonderful advances we've made this quarter! Programs centered around the health and well-being of our patients continue to develop. As the word spreads about our progress as a charitable pharmacy, new patients arrive as well as support to help take care of them. The surrounding community is gaining insight on who we are and wanting to participate even more than before. Our roots have broken free of the barriers of poverty, homelessness, and apathy where physical expansion has now become necessary. Enlarging our territory...



Mr. Freeman L. Russell, Jr., a retiree of Zito-Russell Architects, P.C., is an Emeritus Architect. Mr. Russell has over 40 years of architectural experience in Alabama and across multiple states. He has served on many boards, including Ronald McDonald House Charities, where he was the Architect for the House Expansion. Mr. Russell serves as Special Event Chair for Jazz Extravaganza. "Lanny" is also a local artist.

One of 14 original Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy board members, Mr. Al Tenhundfeld, Jr. served as past board president of Ozanam Pharmacy, and was formally the executive director at Ronald McDonald House. Al is a recent author, publishing "An Owl's Tales." Mr. Tenhundfeld is taking over for Martha Allegri, who will remain on the board to continue our great mission.



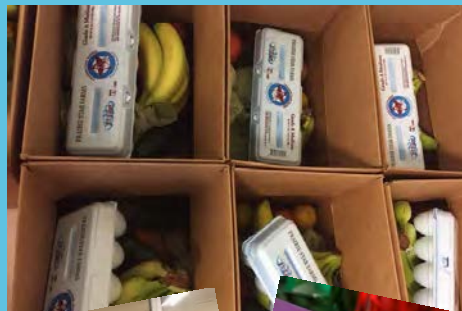
Congratulations Ozanam! Nutrition Rx Program Returns!



Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy is among 71 awardees that received a grant from Direct Relief's Fund for Health Equity, which mobilizes financial resources for organizations focused on non-clinical interventions that affect a person's health. Commonly known as the social determinants of health, these factors include an individual's physical, social, cultural, and economic environment.

Through the grant awarded from Direct Relief's Fund for Health Equity, Ozanam Pharmacy's Nutrition Rx Program is able to provide fresh produce for our patients by partnering with A Servant's Love Inc. This relationship with A Servant Love Inc. allows us to provide 75 chronically ill patients with fresh produce each month, which helps those patients focus on improving blood pressure, blood glucose control and weight status, and minimize food insecurity. Because of these partnerships, the Alabama Extension Program has offered to supply our patients with healthy eating recipes and nutrition classes to possibly help reduce their needs for medications. Although our mission is to provide our patients with necessary prescriptions, our end goal is to also educate and present them with healthy choices in order to relieve their need for those medications, so they are able to maintain a healthy lifestyle.

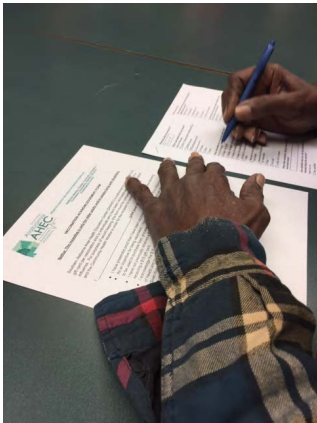
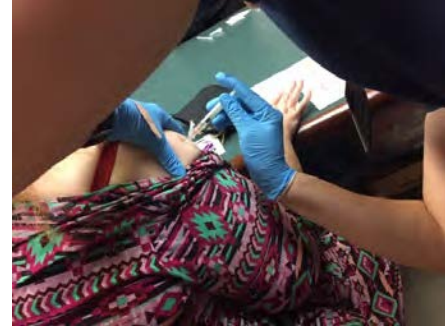
"We are extremely excited about receiving the Direct Relief's Funds for Health Equity to provide more access to life-sustaining treatment and nutrition for our patients. We are grateful to our Partnership with Direct Relief and MacKenzie Scott, the AbbVie Foundation, and Eli Lilly for this great opportunity," said Shearie Archer, Executive Director of Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy.



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VACCINE/BOOSTER POP-UP CLINIC



OZANAM PARTNERS WITH SEMMES PHARMACY & JH CLINICAL: Under the direction of Community Outreach Coordinator Ms. Nettie Stewart, we successfully hosted THREE vaccine clinics this quarter with Dr. Jessica Hung. We also had the company of the Mobile County Health Department. An extra thanks to BPSOS (Boat People SOS), SAAHEC (Southern Alabama Area Health Education Center), and ENI (Equitable Neighborhoods Initiative) for adding the incentive of gift cards to those who submitted to COVID testing and/or received the vaccine. Thanks to all of you for coming by and rolling up your sleeves!



THANK YOU TO OUR SUPPORTERS! Your Kindness and Compassion Are a Blessing to Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy's Patients

We are eternally grateful that you have chosen to support Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy this past year. Here at Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy, we witness the emergence of the human spirit every day. With your support, we are able not just to stand by but take action on building a solid medication safety net for our most vulnerable population.

My term as Board Chair has ended, and serving has been a great honor. I am passing the gavel to the new Board Chairman, Mr. Freeman L. Russell, Jr., and our new Vice President, Albert "Al" Tenhundfeld, Jr.

Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy is committed to caring for those who struggle to access medication in our local community. Nearly 40% of our patients have diabetes, and many require insulin to treat their condition. For example, five flex pens with 3ml (1 carton) of short-acting (Novolog) insulin may cost as much as \$242 with discounts from GoodRx. In addition, long-acting (Tresiba) insulin, like five FlexTouch pens of 100 units/ml (1 carton), may cost as much as \$172.00. That's \$414.00 a month for individuals who may only make \$12,000 annually or – as is the case for many of our patients – far less than that. While much work is to be done to ensure that all Americans have access to affordable prescription medicine, Ozanam remains steadfast in its service to the community as a leading charitable medication safety net because of your support.

In addition to being a Medication Safety Net, we were also able to provide 75 chronically ill patients with fresh produce each month through the Rx Produce Program and an average of 74 homeless individuals receive Homeless Care Bags through a partnership with "A Servant Love, Inc." and funding from Direct Relief. Direct Relief also provided us with funds to open our doors on Friday, expanding access to patients to safety net medicine. Thanks to a partnership with Semmes Pharmacy and JH Clinical, we were able to provide our patients and the community with flu, pneumonia, RSV, and COVID-19 vaccines. Finally, we provided much-needed transport to 11 patients with Uber Health Rides funded by Sostentos.

With support from people like you, Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy purchased nearly \$90,000 of generic medications focusing on maintenance drugs for conditions such as high blood pressure, heart disease, diabetes, seizure disorders, stomach and gastrointestinal health conditions, etc. In the fiscal year 2022-23 (October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023), Ozanam dispensed nearly 20,000 generic prescriptions, many of which were for a 90-day supply, to over 1261 patients. Combined with our Access Your Rx Patient Assistance Program, which connects our patients to name-brand prescription medicine from pharmaceutical and foundation Patient Assistance Programs, we provided needy residents of Mobile, Baldwin, Escambia, and Washington counties with over \$ 3.1 million in medication. With your support, we hope to ensure that no uninsured residents in our service area will go without the prescription medication they need due to limited financial resources.

Again, we sincerely appreciate your support, and our doors are always open for you to visit us. It takes a village to deliver one pill. Thank you for being a part of our Oz Squad.

Shearie Archer

Shearie Archer, Executive Director



Wiley Christian, III

Wiley Christian III, Board Chairman

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Financial Statement
Statement of Activities
For the Years Ended September 30, 2022 and 2023

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| • Unrestricted Net Assets | | |
| Support and revenue: | | |
| Unrestricted | | |
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| Special Events | \$41,829 | \$39,470 |
| Less cost of special events | \$8,350 | \$6,879 |
| Net special events | \$33,479 | \$32,591 |
| SARPC | \$72,650 | \$71,250 |
| City of Mobile | \$13,000 | \$13,000 |
| Mobile County | \$35,822 | \$33,736 |
| United Way | \$39,457 | \$43,017 |
| Contributions and grants | \$421,983 | \$353,427 |
| Contribution In Kind -Prescription Assistance Program | \$1,953,044 | \$1,839,870 |
| Contribution In Kind -Pharmaceuticals | \$1,181,836 | \$1,231,383 |
| Contribution In Kind – Donated Services | \$106,865 | \$135,655 |
| Other income | \$2,197 | \$2,404 |
| Investment Income | \$4,061 | \$881 |
| Total unrestricted | | |
| Support and revenue | \$3,894,394 | \$3,758,214 |
| Expenses | | |
| Program expenses | \$3,750,569 | \$3,611,719 |
| General and administrative | \$99,469 | \$97,164 |
| Total expenses | \$3,850,038 | \$3,708,883 |
| Change in net assets | \$44,356 | \$49,331 |
| Net assets, beginning of year | \$377,780 | \$328,449 |
| Net assets, end of year | \$422,136 | \$377,780 |
| • Without Donor Restrictions Contributed with Pharmaceuticals | | |

THANK YOU DONORS!

**Alabama Free and Charitable Clinics
SARPC/Area Agency on Aging
The Nan H. Altmayer Foundation
Greater Brewton Foundation
Mapp Family Trust
HRSA/Sostentos
Mobile Diabetic Clinic
Poarch Band of Creek Indians
AHEPA Charitable Foundation
AT & T
Ascension/Sacred Heart
Ascension/Providence
Catholic Charities
City of Mobile CDBG
Mobile County CDBG
Baldwin County Commission
Hill Crest Foundation
J L Bedsole Foundation
Crampton Trust
Dog Hill Foundation
McMillan Trust
Moses Foundation
United Way of Southwest Alabama
Holy Name of Jesus
The McNeel Family Foundation
L & I Consolidated Services
Julien Marx Foundation
Hearin Chandler Foundation
Pulmonary Associates of Mobile, P.C.
Mission Fitness, Mobile**

Ozanam's Giving Tuesday, Holiday Appeal, and End of the Year Giving



Thanks to your generosity and kindness this past quarter. By simply opening and reading our letters and email messages, KNOW THAT YOU ARE ABUNDANTLY BLESSED! Just from these three direct mail drives, your donations have helped to raise over \$15,000!



**Sostento's UBER Health Rides now at Ozanam!
We can now transport patients to medical appointments.
Thank You Sostento!**



Thank you Mission Fitness! Your Planksgiving and Holiday Hustle Challenges brought in a healthy donation of \$3,605!

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR CONTINUED AND STEADFAST SUPPORT!

WOULD YOU LIKE A BOX OF FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES ONCE A MONTH AT NO COST?

**PLEASE CALL OZANAM CHARITABLE PHARMACY
251-432-4111
MONDAY - THURSDAY 9AM-2:30PM
FRIDAY 9AM-1PM**

Nutrition Rx Program
Ozanam
ASL
Direct Relief

www.ozanampharmacy.org

OZANAM AT BAYOU ON THE MOVE!



BAYOU on the MOVE!
 "Moving Towards Wellness"
Friday, November 17, 2023
10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
 13220 Wintzell Avenue, Bayou La Batre, AL

- ALL FREE EVENT!
- HEALTHY FOODS
- SENIOR HEALTH & WELLNESS

- on-site health screenings
- top nutrition tips to stay healthy
- medicare enrollment options
- charitable prescription drugs information
- vaccines availability and information
- mental health care resources
- caregiver tips and resources
- senior healthy food distribution

BayouClinic | Contact: Dorra Patterson, 850.623.4166 | 1320 Wintzell Avenue, Bayou La Batre, AL 36520
 Gulf States Health Plans, Cancer

Bayou on the Move is a "longstanding initiative to improve health outcomes by providing free outreach and education. An annual event and monthly classes include topics such as healthy cooking, money management, emergency preparedness, suicide prevention and many others." The fair was well attended by the community, pre-med and nursing students, and partner agencies passing along well-needed information of available services. As an incentive for attending, there were food boxes and toiletries available for those in need.



DIABETES AWARENESS FAIR AT GOVERNMENT PLAZA



DIABETES AWARENESS MONTH
INFORMATIONAL EVENT

November 7, 2023 • 10AM-2PM
Government Plaza Atrium, 205 Government St, Mobile, AL 36602

Learn more about the resources available to you, how to take small steps toward healthy habits, and general information on what diabetes is and how you could manage your health.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

AKF Kidney | MCHD | US HEALTH MITCHELL ANDERSON INSTITUTE

At the Diabetes Awareness Fair at Government Plaza, there were partner agencies doing health screenings, agencies there signing up people to be part of environmental and DNA studies, and others there promoting self-help through the knowledge of healthy living, eating, and exercising. Thank you, Mobile Community Affairs, the Community Partners and everyone who attended this wonderful informational event!



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Ozanam's Holiday Luncheon was a BLAST! We ate delicious food served by cheerful "elves", listened to wonderful seasonal music, and enjoyed the company of our guests and each other. Everyone was in good spirits and looked so merry, we had a hard time deciding who was the "Most Festive". What a relaxing way to start the holidays.



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2023 Award Honorees: Emil Graf and Alec Naman

Congratulations to The Jonathan Gardberg Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy

2023 Leadership Award recipient, Mr. Alec Naman, and to

Mr. Emil Graf, recipient of The Rose Marie Davis Outstanding Volunteer Award.

Thank you both for showing compassion towards the poor and giving of your time, talents and finances, and supporting Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy.

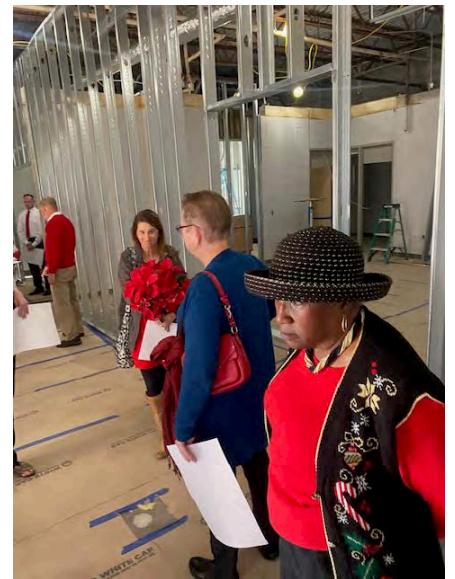
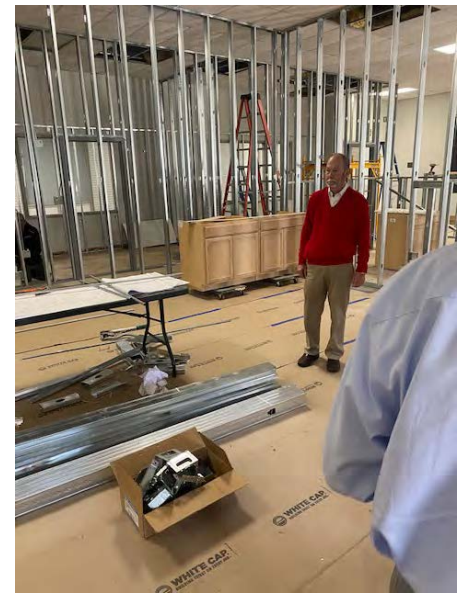
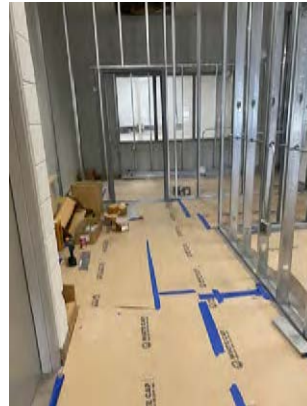


*Presented by Mrs. Shearie J. Archer, Executive Director,
and Sr. Marilyn Graf, Emeritus Board Member*

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Moving Soon...Our NEW FACILITY is UNDER CONSTRUCTION!

After our Holiday Luncheon/"Jingle Mingle", we took a "field trip" a few feet over next door to our soon-to-be NEW OFFICE! How exciting to see everything in the construction stage with steel beams in place. We will soon be part of the medical corridor on the Gordon Smith campus behind USA Hospital off Stanton Road.





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Community support is vital to our mission. Your gift to mark an occasion, or remember a deceased loved one, is gratefully appreciated. Please use the enclosed envelope for donations of any type, or donate online at www.ozanampharmacy.org.

THANK YOU!

LET'S KEEP IN TOUCH ...



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