UCSD STUDENT-RUN FREE CLINIC PROJECT NEWSLETTER



"We are so grateful for the continued support of the UCSD Student-Run Free Clinic Project which allowed the clinic to continue all clinical services and educational programs as well as increase its impact in several domains."

MARCH 2025

-Michelle Johnson, M.D., Director

2024 Key Highlights

The **medical clinic had over 3,000 encounters** in 2024 providing medical consults in both primary care and over 20 specialties (nutrition, physical therapy, ophthalmology, etc), acupuncture, food, labs, imaging, social work and mental health. We saw **64 new patients in the medical clinic** and expect even more new patients in the year to come.

The Food Prescription Program dispensed over **70,000 pounds of fresh and shelf stable food** to patients.

In 2024, medical students created a new program called the **"resource table" at our site in Pacific Beach**. The goal of the "resource table" is to provide an inclusive, welcoming and empowering space for patients to select fresh produce, shelf-stable food, hygiene supplies and other resources based on their preferences and needs. It has been a wonderful way to connect with patients and help them take charge of their health.

The dental clinic is continuing to thrive and had **over 2,500 total visits in 2024 valued at over \$590,000**. They saw **over 100 new dental patients** and were able to **increase the number of dental screening exams** for children in the Lemon Grove School District.

Our Street Outreach Team (SOT) has continued to expand its impact every year since its inception in 2022. In 2024, the SOT had over 700 encounters with unhoused individuals which is a 50% increase compared to 2023. They provided over 2771 supplies, mainly clothing, health and hygiene items and food.

Our pharmacy continued to **provide over 8,000 monthly prescriptions** to our patients for free. **The retail value of the prescriptions given in 2024 was over 2.5 million dollars**. In addition the vaccine teams administered **over 100 vaccines in 2024**.

Overall the SRFCP included **920 volunteers** including medical and pharmacy students, pre-dental students, pre-health professional volunteers, and health professional volunteers such as physicians, mental health providers, dentists, social workers and pharmacists. We are grateful for the collaboration and volunteerism of so many that makes the work of the clinic possible.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

We could not provide our patient care and services without your help. This grant and donor roll list is inclusive from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024. We are fortunate to have so many of you that we do not have enough space to list everyone individually. Student-Run Free Clinic Project donors from \$1-\$999 are the engine that collectively empowers us every day. Every \$1 is powerful and makes a huge impact.

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