

There are **11,000** low-income, uninsured Arlingtonians who are NOT eligible for insurance through the Affordable Care Act.

Arlington Free Clinic is the medical home for **1,600** of these underserved members of the community.

The need for Arlington Free Clinic's services continues to greatly exceed our capacity. We accept new patients via monthly lotteries (shown here) or by referral from Virginia Hospital Center and local shelters. For every patient cared for by AFC ...

... there are about 6 low-income Arlingtonians who still don't have insurance and could qualify for AFC.

Even with the Affordable Care Act, there's still a need for Arlington Free Clinic. Thanks to your support, AFC continues to provide top-quality care to the hundreds of patients, new and old, who count on us.

## The need continues...

Mujtaba left Afghanistan on an asylum visa with a warning from the surgeon who performed his kidney transplant: "go without eating before going without your medicine." Prior to finding AFC, he'd been trying to follow his doctor's orders – and was paying \$200 a month just on medication out of his wages from the fast food restaurant.

Mujtaba, 28 years old, receives free ongoing care and medication from AFC (valued at over \$1,000 per month) so he can remain healthy.

Like many of our patients, Mujtaba works at a low wage job and falls in the "Coverage Gap" (he doesn't earn enough to be able to purchase his own insurance, and he doesn't qualify for Medicaid either). He depends on AFC for monthly bloodwork, anti-rejection drugs, and visits with our volunteer nephrologist and other specialists.

Though new to AFC, Anya is already working hard to address her out-of-control hypertension. Next, she'll get up to date on immunizations and age-appropriate screenings, and have eye and foot exams – something she should do every year due to her diabetes.

Over the last two years, about

200 AFC patients obtained their own insurance through the ACA. This allowed us to take in a greater number of new patients at our summer lotteries. Anya is one of those lucky new patients.

Now that Anya, 68 years old, is an AFC patient, her high blood pressure will be treated here rather than at the local Emergency Room.

If you've already given this year, we send you our heartfelt thanks.

If not, your year-end donation will help us continue to provide essential care to Arlingtonians in need.

Go green! Visit www.arlingtonfreeclinic.org and click "donate" to give online.

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