



THE FLOATING HOSPITAL

2021 YEAR IN REVIEW

12 months
52 weeks
365 days
8,760 hours
of support,
caring and
generosity.

THE FLOATING HOSPITAL IS PROUD TO SHARE OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF 2021—A CHALLENGING YEAR WE NAVIGATED THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT AND THE DEDICATION OF OUR STAFF, WHO DAILY ANSWERED THE CALL TO HELP NEW YORK'S UNHOUSED CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES.





2021

There's more than food cooking...

THE FLOATING HOSPITAL'S new teaching kitchen is the beating heart of the new clinic, as well as a place for our health education department to show off their cooking skills—a practical program specifically designed to show families living in homeless shelters and hotels how to source and prepare accessible, healthy foods. The family friendly kitchen encourages hands-on participation, experimentation and learning in an adjacent activity area.



By giving hands-on instruction in healthy cooking methods and recipes, we hope to help our patients take steps to improve their health and build confidence so they have the tools to continue to do so on their own."

KATHERINE LAMMIE
SENIOR HEALTH EDUCATOR





New Space Brings Big Smiles



People often delay their dental care until there's a problem. By creating a true dental home, we hope to normalize oral healthcare and make it a comfortable experience for our patients."

ERNESTO HART
DENTAL CLINIC COORDINATOR

THE FLOATING HOSPITAL embarked on its goal of providing a state-of-the-art dental clinic, thanks to a generous grant from the Hearst Foundations, which funded chairs for three exam rooms. The upgrade in equipment enables us to serve families efficiently—more important now than ever to meet the pent-up demand for services resulting from the pause on routine dental care during the coronavirus pandemic. Five of the eight rooms will be equipped this year, and dental coordinator Ernesto Hart has plans to fully dedicate one of the rooms to pediatric care, so kids have a place of their own.

Wellness on Wheels

ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE has been the anchor of The Floating Hospital's mission since 1866 and, since 1929, we have gone to go where patients are to ensure they can get to the doctor. Today, that concept is delivered by the Good Health Shuttle fleet of 11 vehicles, which provides free shelter-to-clinic transport throughout the five boroughs. The shuttle saves families the arduous task of multiple legs of public transportation—a demonstrated barrier to care. Last year, the vans logged mileage equivalent of 9.4 trips around the globe, providing more than 2,000 patient visits per month.



Reaching out to families in shelters and getting them to understand healthcare is one thing: getting them to the clinic is another. That's why we go to where the patients are and help them get to where the care is."

IVAN ROMERO
DIRECTOR FOR FAMILIES IN TEMPORARY HOUSING

Our Good Health Shuttle logs mileage equivalent to **9.4 trips around the world** transporting families to and from shelter to our healthcare center.



Women's Health Matters

WHEN SO MANY SERVICES shut down in 2020, The Floating Hospital increased its community clinic outreach, providing women with thrice-yearly free screenings for cancer and transmissible diseases. In partnership with Multi Diagnostic Service, who provided a mobile radiation clinic, TFH enabled women to get their check-ups, receive healthcare information and be treated to a few niceties—manicures, massages, pajamas and personal care items.



We conduct our clinics as a community service and to show our passionate commitment to women's health. It's a continuation of the mission and ethos of the Floating Hospital."

SREETA KARL-QUINTANA
DIRECTOR OF CLINIC OPERATIONS



of every
DOLLAR DONATED
goes directly to patient
services

Inspired to design



THOUGH WE ARE associated with family healthcare, The Floating Hospital is there for anyone who needs us, and the story of Kristen and Kenji Kawasaki demonstrates our mission in action. Self-employed textile designers, the couple were caught in a lapse of both income and health insurance during the pandemic. When an unyielding low-grade infection exhausted

Kenji to the point of near collapse, they came to our clinic. Our primary testing and diagnosis when the couple needed it helped get them on a path to the intensive medical care Kenji needed in his last year of life. The care the couple received inspired them to design a custom bandana, with a portion of the sales directed to the hospital.



From the moment we stepped through the doors adorned with a little boat logo, we knew The Floating Hospital was not your typical American healthcare institution."

KRISTEN KAWASAKI

Social Determinants of Health fuels next-level care

THANKS TO A GRANT from the Frances L. and Edwin L. Cummings Memorial Fund and auxiliary funding from the Ford Foundation, The Floating Hospital launched a Social Determinants of Health study that explored the environmental and social condi-

tions and needs of our patient population. The study especially focused on residents of hotels converted to homeless shelters to understand their access to healthcare, benefits and other standards of living and the barriers preventing successful transi-

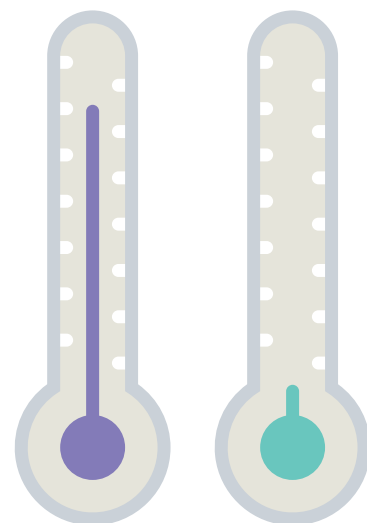
tions such as permanent housing and employment. The data are used to support further funding requests, including a renewed generous grant from the Cummings Fund.



The SDoH project was deeply meaningful to us. Rather than routinely answering a set of questions, our patients spent time on the questionnaire and thanked us for asking questions and caring about their lives as human beings. This project opened the door to rich conversations and a deeper understanding about the strengths and struggles of our patients as

parents, young adults, retirees, caregivers, and in the process, touched our lives as well.”

SARAJANE BRITTIS, PHD
SDOH ANALYST



The Floating Hospital's charity rate of 23% is **10 times higher** than the 1.5% rate of other non-profit hospitals

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Camp Rise Up

PANDEMIC-RELATED safety protocols changed the format of The Floating Hospital's life-skills retreat for kids, but that didn't throw a damper on the spirit of the camp, adapted last year as a series of locally based day sessions. Happily, with precautions and masks in place, 59 campers returned to the sleep-away format in the Hudson Valley, with new curricula and the launch of a new counselor in training program for teens who have aged out of camp and want to stay connected to the hospital while gaining employable skills.



While in Uganda for the Peace Corps, I worked with a non-governmental organization organizing youth health clubs and camps, focusing on nutrition, life skills, family planning and sex education. What I did there directly informs what I do here."

MEGHAN MILLER ED.D
DIRECTOR OF HEALTH EDUCATION



Candy Cane Lane

NO PANDEMIC could stop the generosity of our community of supporters who ensured nearly \$73,000 worth of items and in-kind donations made it through a storm to our doorstep for our annual family holiday event. Held at the clinic in a transformed winter wonderland, children and their families picked out toys and games, pajamas, seasonal outerwear, gift cards and a few other treasures to help celebrate the holidays.

“Candy Cane Lane is not just another generic toy drive, but an event where moms and kids can pick the items that fit their preferences and needs, and that truly is the spirit of the holidays.”

SEAN GRANAHAH
FLOATING HOSPITAL PRESIDENT
AND GENERAL COUNSEL



IN 2021,
THE FLOATING
HOSPITAL
PROVIDED
60,450
MEDICAL VISITS
TO MORE THAN
20,000
PATIENTS

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HELP US BUILD
*a healthy future for
New York City's most
vulnerable children
and their families*

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