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Guadalupe Times

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From Patient to Team Member

It all began on February 1, 2025 — a day that changed my family's life forever. While working from home, my husband was about 25 feet above our house, trimming tree limbs, when tragedy struck. He fell, hitting everything in his path before landing in a narrow four-foot space between our home and the privacy fence. The impact caused severe spinal injuries, including fractures to his L1 and L2 vertebrae, ultimately requiring a lumbar fusion surgery from L1-L3.

The months that followed were some of the hardest we've ever faced. My husband was out of work for nearly four months as we struggled to cover medical costs, medications, and daily bills. The clinic we were going to required out-of-pocket payments for everything, and with no insurance, savings, or nearby family, we felt completely lost.

Then, a friend told us about the Guadalupe Clinic, and everything changed. We were able to schedule an appointment right away. The staff helped us get my husband back on his diabetes medication and provided essential wound care supplies. At his second visit, his doctor was amazed by how well his wound was healing and impressed by my ability to translate everything for him. Before the appointment ended, she mentioned that the clinic could use someone like me and asked if I'd ever consider working there.

At that time, there weren't any openings, but three months later, we returned for a check-up, and she asked again. This time, they needed help at the front desk. I applied and was ultimately thrilled to accept the opportunity.

Today, I'm proud to serve as an Admissions Assistant at Guadalupe Clinic. I've been here just over a month, and I can truly say it's been a blessing. I'm honored to work alongside such a compassionate team that gives hope and care to so many people who otherwise wouldn't have access to it.

A note from our Executive Director

Dear Supporters,

With the launch of Campaign Care, we're thrilled to soon offer basic dental care to our patients. What truly keeps me up at night, though, is knowing this new service will raise our annual budget by \$200,000. I hope you'll consider keeping or even increasing your support. Your gifts to our mission are what keep our doors open and our patients cared for.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, likely belonging to the Executive Director.



Our Mission::

As missionary disciples of Christ, and with other people of good will, Guadalupe Clinic works to provide access to quality health care for people in need.

Campaign Update!



Thanks to the incredible generosity of our donors, volunteers, and community partners, Guadalupe Clinic's Campaign Care continues to make tremendous progress and move forward with purpose. The campaign's goal of \$1.76 million will fund a much-needed expansion and renovation of our St. Francis location, allowing us to serve more patients, enhance accessibility, and improve the overall experience of care for everyone who walks through our doors.

To date, we have raised over \$900,000, putting us more than halfway toward our goal. This strong early support is a reflection of the community's belief in Guadalupe Clinic's mission - providing quality, compassionate healthcare to those most in need.

Campaign Care is more than just a building project; it's an investment in the future of our patients and our ministry. The planned improvements will provide 6 additional exam rooms, implement basic dental services with two dental chairs, update our facilities, and add a more efficient layout to better support both patients and medical volunteers. These changes will ensure that the Clinic can continue to meet the growing healthcare needs of uninsured and underserved families across Wichita.

The campaign is expected to reach completion by February 2026, with construction anticipated to begin in April 2026. As we continue this exciting journey, we are deeply grateful to everyone who has already contributed. Your generosity is helping us build not only a stronger facility, but a stronger community.

Together, we are creating a lasting impact; one that will ensure Guadalupe Clinic remains a place of hope and healing for generations to come.

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Protecting Sight, Preserving Hope



Many patients schedule eye exams simply because they need glasses, but sometimes we uncover conditions that are much more serious than blurry vision. One of the first tests performed in our clinic is the NCT (non-contact tonometer), which quickly measures eye pressure and helps identify patients who may be at risk for glaucoma.

Glaucoma is often called the “silent thief of sight” because it gradually damages side vision and, if untreated, can lead to blindness. One of its hallmark signs is an abnormally large “cup” in the center of the optic nerve, showing progressive damage over time.

We recently cared for a patient, Thomas, who had run out of glaucoma medication. Unfortunately, the cost of these medications can be overwhelming for those without insurance or with very limited income. Thanks to our partnership with the Dispensary of Hope, Guadalupe Clinic can provide these life-changing prescriptions at no cost.

This program allows us to stock essential medications—like glaucoma eye drops—so that patients can begin or continue treatment immediately. The impact reaches far beyond the individual; preserving vision also means protecting independence, family stability, and quality of life.

We are grateful for the Dispensary of Hope and the way it helps us change lives, one patient at a time.

The Dispensary of Hope is a nationwide program that provides free, donated medications to safety-net clinics and charitable pharmacies across the country. By partnering with this organization, Guadalupe Clinic can keep our shelves stocked with essential prescriptions at no cost to patients. This support ensures that individuals and families with limited income or no insurance can still access life-changing treatments, from everyday needs to critical medications like glaucoma eye drops. **Last year alone, they provided 1.7 million dollars in medication to our patients!**





20-Year Journey with Guadalupe Clinic

Health Foundation Board:

For more than 20 years, We have had a patient who has entrusted her health to Guadalupe Clinic. Now at 81 years old, Maria continues to enjoy a vibrant, active life—a testament to her resilience and the care she has consistently received here.

Over the years, she has built lasting relationships with providers who know her story and have supported her through every stage of life. Maria deeply values the compassion, respect, and dignity shown to her at each visit. For her, Guadalupe Clinic is more than just a healthcare provider—it is a trusted home where she feels cared for and supported.

Her journey reflects the very heart of our mission: ensuring that everyone, regardless of circumstances, has access to high-quality, compassionate care. Maria's continued good health is not only a personal victory but also a reflection of the dedication of our volunteers, staff, and generous supporters.

Stories like hers remind us that behind every patient record is a life changed for the better. With your support, Guadalupe Clinic can continue to provide the same blessing of care to thousands more in our community.

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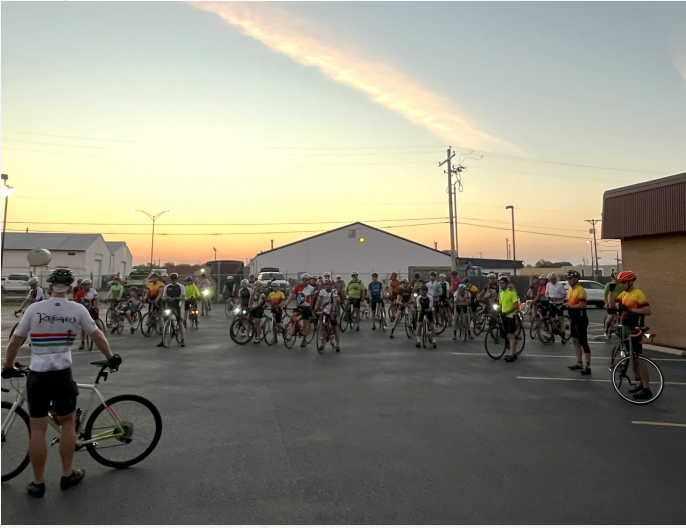
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Leave a Legacy

Remember Guadalupe Clinic in your will to leave a legacy and help sustain our mission for many years

Rolling into Success with Bikes & Breakfast!



Our recent Bike & Breakfast event was a wonderful success, bringing together community members for a morning of fresh air, fellowship, and support for Guadalupe Clinic. Riders of all ages enjoyed a scenic bike ride followed by a hearty breakfast, creating the perfect combination of health and hospitality.

Thanks to the enthusiasm of our participants and the generosity of our sponsors, the event not only fostered community spirit but also raised important funds to support our mission of providing quality healthcare to those most in need. The laughter, smiles, and energy of the morning were a powerful reminder of what we can accomplish when we come together for a cause that matters.



A special thank you goes to Davis-Moore and Bicycle Pedaler for their generous sponsorship. Their support helped make this event possible and ensured a memorable experience for every rider.

We are grateful to everyone who rode, sponsored, and spread the word. Your involvement made Bikes & Breakfast a meaningful success—and ensures that Guadalupe Clinic can continue serving patients who rely on us. We look forward to seeing even more of you in 2026!

Welcome Our New Volunteers!

- Natasha Aguilar - Scribe
- Dr. Ronnie Moussa - Nephrologist
- Dr. Wissim Saliba - Nephrologist
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