

# Annual Report



## Breaking Ground

With the construction of a three-story addition to our Main Clinic officially underway, WV Health Right looks forward to being able to offer more services to more West Virginians in need.

## CommUNITY in Action

On Charleston's West Side, our CommUNITY Wellness Center goes above and beyond providing medical care.



# Dr. Angela Settle

*CEO/Executive Director*



## Dear Friends,

At WV Health Right, we've always dreamed big. Our commitment to thinking outside the box for new and better ways to fill gaps in care is at the very core of who we are. We're in constant search of more effective, more accessible, and actionable methods of meeting the diverse needs of the patients we serve, and we strive to go beyond addressing physical needs by tackling root causes and social determinants of health as well. Yet, all the best intentions and ideas in the world would fail without the right team to make them happen.

WV Health Right is fortunate to have a team that, again and again, proves itself to be up to the challenge—a team that's comprised not just of staff, but also volunteers, donors, and advocates, and a deeply-invested Board of Directors.

Thanks to their tireless dedication and heart, we were able to provide nearly 28 million dollars-worth of free care to more than 42,500 patients from our three clinic sites and two mobile clinics (dental and medical) this past year.

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Recently, this team has continued to work its magic, providing comprehensive, often lifesaving health services to West Virginians statewide, while remaining on a steady trajectory of growth through the expansion

of the CommUNITY Wellness Center at our West Side location and the addition of our Mobile Medical Clinic, both graciously funded in part by UniCare Health Plan of West Virginia and the City of Charleston.

The CommUNITY Wellness Center brings to fruition the clinic's dream of creating a real health "hub" for our West Side neighbors. With an innovative teaching kitchen, gym, behavioral health care offices, education room, child care area, career services, and space for partner organizations to deliver other vital services, the center's offerings are essentially all-encompassing—and free! To date, our Mobile Medical Clinic has helped us administer a record-breaking number of COVID tests and vaccines, in addition to hundreds of urgently-needed monkeypox vaccines and rapid HIV and Hep tests. It's also allowed us to implement preventative measures like PrEP and on-the-spot HIV medication initiation more widely.

Thank you for joining us in reflecting on the clinic's accomplishments over the past year, and for your support moving WV Health Right's mission forward. As we turn our gaze to 2023 and the pivotal expansion of the East End clinic, we will need the help of all of our donors and supporters to make this next big dream a reality.

Sincerely,

**Dr. Angela Settle, DNP, APRN, BC, FNP**  
CEO/Executive Director

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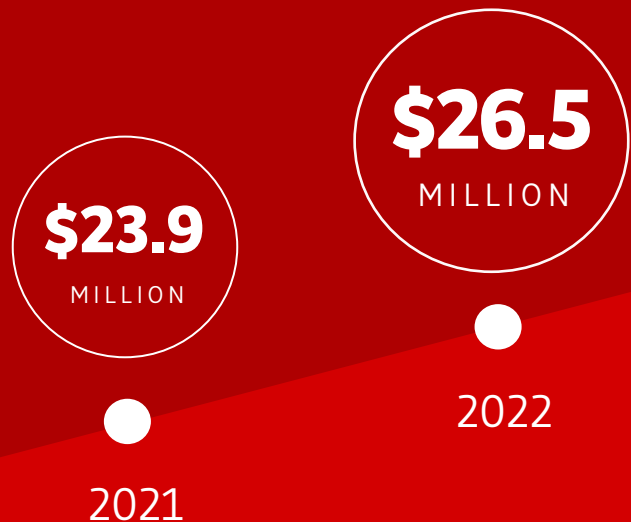
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# Statement of Functional Expenses

	Patient Care	Administration	2022 Total Expense	2021
<b>Operating Expense Before Donated Services and Supplies</b>				
Salaries and Benefits	3,643,197	905,357	4,548,554	3,525,844
Professional Fees and Contacts	1,188,220	456	1,188,676	696,052
Pharmaceuticals	695,568	-	695,568	326,362
Occupancy	224,263	24,918	249,181	233,027
Office Expense	167,392	18,599	185,991	145,675
Fundraising	17,419	17,307	34,726	43,174
Travel	55,425	-	55,425	41,464
Insurance	-	21,507	21,507	19,860
Patient Incentives	-	30,846	30,846	1,450
Legal and Accounting	4,493	-	4,493	1,290
Miscellaneous	241,827	26,870	268,697	71,827
<b>Depreciation</b>	<b>6,237,804</b>	<b>1,045,860</b>	<b>7,283,664</b>	<b>5,106,025</b>
	145,536	48,512	194,048	217,580
<b>Total Operating Expense Before Donated Services and Supplies</b>	<b>6,383,340</b>	<b>1,094,372</b>	<b>7,477,712</b>	<b>5,323,605</b>
<b>Donated Services and Supplies</b>				
Medical Services	14,375,337	-	14,375,337	13,397,583
Pharmaceuticals	200,796	-	200,796	194,543
Supplies	355,156	-	355,156	382,533
Other Professional Services	4,128,116	-	4,128,116	4,609,413
<b>Total Donated Services and Supplies</b>	<b>19,059,405</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,059,405</b>	<b>18,584,072</b>
<b>Total Operating Expense</b>	<b>25,442,745</b>	<b>1,094,372</b>	<b>26,537,117</b>	<b>23,907,677</b>

Total Donated Services and Operating Supplies increased by \$2.6 million from 2021 to 2022.



# West Virginia's oldest and largest free and charitable clinic is expanding.

Since 2014, West Virginia Health Right has experienced rapid growth.

Clinic services have expanded to include an extensive behavioral health program that offers substance use disorder treatment, psychiatric services, and individual and group counseling.

Health Education programs have expanded to include a comprehensive teaching kitchen, smoking cessation and weight loss programs, and cardiovascular and diabetic education and training.

Staff has increased from 32 full-time employees to 70 full and part-time employees.

Volunteers have increased from 100 to more than 600 medical professionals.

The number of patients served has increased from 15,000 to more than 42,000.

We anticipate caring for more than 60,000 patients in the next few years.

An expanded clinic will help us serve more people in our community.

A three-story addition to the Main Clinic will house additional space for behavioral health services, substance use disorder treatment, expanding the on-site pharmacy, and improved dental and vision clinics.

The expansion will include additional office space for staff and volunteers.

More than 100 jobs will be created, including temporary construction labor and full and part-time professional healthcare opportunities.

\$12 million

We've raised \$10.4 million for the expansion of the Main Clinic and hope to meet our goal of \$12 million in 2023.





# CommUNITY in Action



## A Conversation with Shayla Leftridge, MPA

Director of Outreach, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, and Site Coordinator for CommUNITY Wellness Center

“How can we get folks quality healthcare—our original mission—if we’re not supporting how they think about their health, how they move, how they eat, and so on? It’s not enough to just give people medicine.”

From the beginning, the vision for West Virginia Health Right’s CommUNITY Wellness Center was to go above and beyond providing medical care.

The center, which opened in the spring of 2021 on Charleston’s West Side, offers a long and continuously-growing list of services. What started as a health clinic has expanded to include a gym, teaching kitchen, child care services, and more. The latest phase of development featured the addition of an innovative Partner Hub, where—after a thorough screening process—additional community organizations can provide important services that West Side residents, and others, might otherwise not be able to access.

The idea, Shayla says, is to reach people where they are. “When everything’s right there, it minimizes the time people have to travel or take off work, eliminating barriers to care. Community members

can come for medical appointments and sign up for Medicare or Medicaid, SNAP, and food stamps all in the same visit.”

The next phase, phase four, will involve the implementation of a computer lab and food distribution center in partnership with A More Excellent Way Life Center Church, located just across the street.

Everyone who’s played a role in the CommUNITY Wellness Center’s planning has agreed: A genuine commitment to community health requires engaging folks and organizations in the community already doing vital work. Not only does collaboration of this kind increase capacity and create opportunities for learning, but it also helps build trust. In order for the center to be successful, it must be a place where all people feel like they belong.

“We’re extremely thoughtful in who we hire and partner with. When you walk through our doors, you should see someone who looks like you. It’s crucial that everyone feels welcome, because we might be the only doctor

they can access.” If a person is not comfortable at West Virginia Health Right, they might miss their only chance to receive lifesaving care.

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Fortunately, word of the CommUNITY Wellness Center (and trust in its services) has been spreading, with patient and visitor numbers steadily on the rise.

So far, the center’s cooking classes have been a clear favorite. They often fill up early, and are attended by young families and retired couples alike. Shayla’s parents are regular attendees—in fact, thanks in part to their daughter’s encouragement, they haven’t missed a week.

“The ‘unity’ in CommUNITY Wellness Center says it all. We want to bring people together, and for everyone in our community to feel like this space is an extension of their family and home.”



CommUNITY Wellness Center Cooking Class



# Dr. Azita Misaghi

2022 Volunteer of the Year

When Azita Misaghi applied to dental school in 1985, it was a small act of rebellion.

She wanted to make a point. Not to the university, to her professors, or to her peers—75% of whom were men—but to her parents, who had for her entire life pushed her single-mindedly towards medical school.

Her grandparents were immigrants from Iran to Pakistan, which is where Azita was born and (initially) educated. Then her parents decided to move the family to Canada, followed by the United States, in pursuit of higher education and better opportunities. Her maternal uncle Dr. Cyrus Mali had settled in Charleston for his urology residency, and the new immigrant family followed suit.

Azita graduated from WVU School of Dentistry in 1989 and eventually settled back in Charleston with her husband and three children. It was at that time that she started working with the highly-esteemed Dr. Sami Ghareeb, who was instrumental in opening up WV Health Right's dental clinic. Dr. Ghareeb's spirit of volunteerism and expectation that every member of his team commit to volunteering in the community made an impact on Dr. Misaghi, who soon found herself contributing at WV Health Right, too.

What began as an expectation quickly turned into a passion. From the get-go, Dr. Misaghi was blown away by the dedication of the other volunteers and WV Health Right staff.

"To see how a handful of people were serving thousands was inspiring," said Dr. Misaghi. "I saw them playing their part and thought, 'I've got to do more.'"

It wasn't long before Dr. Misaghi was volunteering every week.

The more patients she met, the more she realized how easily their positions could have been switched—which only motivated her further. Now, she's been with WV Health Right for nearly 20 years. She also served on the clinic's board of directors for five years.

"It's purely by the grace of God and luck, and the push I had from my parents, that I'm where I am today," she mused. "Being able to care for those who haven't been as fortunate is a great privilege."

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Beyond that, she feels that it's a duty as well as pleasure to serve. According to the teachings of her Bahá'í Faith, any work done in a spirit of service is worship. At WV Health Right, Dr. Misaghi is the most joyful, compassionate, and fulfilled version of herself.

"I'll continue volunteering here as long as my back and hands hold up," she said. "So much has been given to me, I should be giving as much as I can back."

Azita Misaghi resides in Charleston, WV with her physician husband. Their three children are pursuing careers in finance/law, acting, and by the sheer push of the parents—medicine!

## 2022 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

At WV Health Right's 2022 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, guests gathered to honor **40 years of West Virginia Health Right**, Volunteer of the Year Dr. Azita Misaghi, and all our volunteers, for their ongoing dedication to meeting the healthcare needs of every member of our community.

Attendees enjoyed an evening filled with top-notch food and company—and lots of heart—at the Clay Center.



Dr. Angela Settle and Dr. Azita Misaghi

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All West Virginia Health Right support groups are facilitated by experienced healthcare professionals committed to helping you navigate whatever life/health challenges you're facing within a caring community.

### **LGBTQIA+ Support Group**

This group is open to anyone who identifies as part of the LGBTQIA+ community and would like to meet others to share experiences, ask questions, or provide positive peer support.

 Main Clinic

### **Support for LGBTQIA+ Supporters Group**

Does someone you care about identify as part of the LGBTQIA+ community? Join us as we explore how to best support the people we love and be kind to ourselves in the process.

 Main Clinic

### **A Dose of Hope Recovery Group**

No matter where you're at in your personal journey, this group offers a safe space to give and receive support while fostering courage, hope, and healing.

*\*Sobriety is not a requirement for participation.*

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### **Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Group**

If you're a grandparent or family member caring for the children of loved ones, we invite you to come and connect with others in this unique role.

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### **Mental Health Matters**

Looking for a supportive environment where you can talk openly and learn about all things mental health? In this group, we'll discuss a wide range of mental health topics, from symptoms of mental illness to positive coping skills.

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Learn more about our support groups by visiting [WVHealthRight.org/events](https://WVHealthRight.org/events).

# Will you join us in making quality healthcare accessible to all West Virginians?

By giving today, you'll help make the critical expansion of our Main Clinic possible—ensuring that we can offer more services to even more West Virginians in need.

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