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THE LUKE PROJECT 52 CLINIC NEWS



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NEW GIFT brings NEW NEED

We have been gifted a 2005 Ford 15 passenger van in good running order. We have been paying between \$100-\$150 per clinic for LYFT rides for patients who it is crucial we see, but whose insurance is not yet in place and have no transportation. This may be a solution, but we now have 3 vehicles in our fleet and in dire need of a volunteer fleet manager to keep our mobile assets in good running order. If you know someone who might be interested, have them call me at 734-646-8206



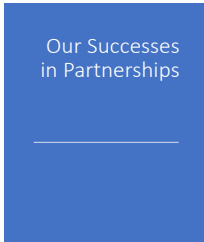
NEWS:

Discussions recently with Detroit Mercy Physician Assistant program and CUAA Family life department

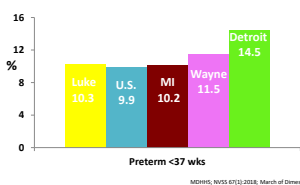
FREE CLINICS OF MICHIGAN

Our Executive Director, Brad Garrison, has been selected to serve on the Board of

SUCCESSES/CHALLENGES



Birth Outcomes: Preterm Delivery



Challenges



SUCCESSION PLAN FOR LEADERSHIP



INTERCONNECTION WITH FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENT



INSUFFICIENT SUPPORT STAFF

On May 29th the Executive Director had the opportunity to share our successes and challenges with the Board of Directors of The Michigan District of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. Two of the successes shared were: 1. Our ability to forge partnerships with 12 different organizations like the U of M Department of Family Medicine now paying their physicians to work at our clinic according to our mission, vision, and core values and 2. Our amazing outcomes. Detroit is #1 in the nation in Preterm Birth rate and yet our patients have a rate comparable to the state and nation in spite of the numerous risk factors that would contribute to a higher rate. The challenges revolve around who will replace our key staff in the future, the financial development necessary to afford that transition, and the current crunch caused by a lack of support staff for the work that must be done between clinic days.