

## PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES

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## Media Advisory: Health In Motion first year birthday celebration

The first year birthday celebration for Sarasota County Health Department's 40 foot mobile medical unit, Health In Motion will take place at two events. The first celebration event will take place on **Monday, March 10 at 11 a.m. at the Selby Goodwill GoodNeighbor Center (Goodwill Job Center)**, 1781 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Way in Sarasota. Another celebration event will take place on **Wednesday, March 19 at 3 p.m. at the Sandra Sims Terry Community Center**, 509 Collins Road in Laurel. These events, which are free and open to the public, will feature a large birthday banner greeting card with short testimonies and comments from those served through the medical mobile unit. There will also be refreshments and door prize giveaways.

Health In Motion staff have been providing basic health services to residents with Medicaid, without health insurance or who do not have transportation at locations throughout north Sarasota, Laurel, Venice, Englewood and North Port over the past year. The services offered include blood pressure, and diabetes screening, HIV testing, pregnancy testing, tuberculosis skin testing, adult immunizations, health education, and eligibility screening as part of assisting people in locating a permanent health care provider. Community partners who assist in providing services include Senior Friendship Centers, Community AIDS Network, and others. Health In Motion is supported in part by a two-year grant from the Gulf Coast Community Foundation of Venice which funds the staffing and medical equipment needs.

Those who would like a schedule of dates, routes and services can call the Sarasota County Call Center at 941-861-5000. Residents can also download a copy of the calendar by visiting the Sarasota County Health and Human Services website, [www.sarasotahealth.org](http://www.sarasotahealth.org).

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**509 Collins Road, Laurel 34272**

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