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Media Note: The August events calendar is at the end of the release.

Need health services? Visit the Health In Motion Mobile Medical Unit

Basic health services are available for adults who do not have health insurance at 13 established sites in Sarasota County during August. Health In Motion staff will also be providing services on Saturday, August 15 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Back to School Resource Fair to be held at Heron Creek Middle School at 6501 W. Price Boulevard in North Port.

The range of services available through **Health In Motion** include diabetes education and screening, blood pressure, pregnancy testing, HIV and tuberculosis testing, adult immunizations and health education. People can also get help in finding a permanent health care provider. No appointments are needed. Some services are free, including HIV-Rapid testing. The HIV-Rapid testing results are available in 20 minutes. Other services are offered on a sliding fee scale based on income.

Licensed volunteer physicians from Senior Friendship Center provide basic medical care when the mobile medical unit is at the Salvation Army in Sarasota. A registered nurse is available at all sites.

The Sarasota County Health Department's "Health In Motion" bus is a mobile medical clinic that makes it easier for residents to access health/medical services," said the program's coordinator Tim Thompson, MSN, RN. The Health In Motion staff members also provide services inside the facilities they visit to better access clients. In these cases, the mobile medical bus may not be visible at each location – however, there will be signage outside the building.

Health In Motion is partially funded by a two-year grant from the Gulf Coast Community Foundation of Venice. The Gulf Coast Diabetes Foundation also provided funding for enhanced diabetes education.

A schedule of dates, routes and services is available. Call the Sarasota County Call Center at 941-861-5000. Visit www.sarasotahealth.org to view the calendar or to submit a special event request.

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Sarasota

Monday, Aug. 3 and 31; 9:30 a.m. to Noon
McCown Center – Sarasota Housing Authority
1300 Boulevard of the Arts, Sarasota 34236

Monday, Aug. 3, 17 and 31; 1 to 3 p.m.
La Canasta Market
2268 Fruitville Road, Sarasota 34237

Monday, Aug. 10 and 24; 9:30 a.m. to noon
Selby Goodwill Jobs Center
1781 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Sarasota 34234

Monday, Aug. 10 and 24; 1 to 3 p.m.
Newtown Estates Park
2800 Newtown Blvd., Sarasota 34234

Thursday, Aug. 6, 13, 20 and 27; 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Thursday, July 23; 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Salvation Army
1400 Tenth St., Sarasota 34236

Monday, Aug. 17; 9:30 a.m. to Noon
Orange Ave. Housing Authority Property
1912 N. Orange Ave., Sarasota 34234

Nokomis

The Community Pharmacy of Sarasota County – No services in August
225 Tamiami Trail South Nokomis 34275

Laurel

Laurel USDA Food Distribution – No services in August
Sandra Sims Terry Community Center
509 Collins Road, Laurel 34272

Venice

Tuesday, Aug. 4 and 18; 9:30 a.m. to Noon
Goodwill Center – The Rialto
650 S. Tamiami Trail, Venice 34285

Tuesday, Aug. 4 and 18; 1 to 3 p.m.
Habitat for Humanity Retail Store
1400 Ogden Road, Venice 34285

Englewood

Tuesday, Aug. 11 and 25; 9:30 a.m. to Noon
Englewood Goodwill Center
410 Indiana Ave, Sarasota 34223

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Englewood (Continued)

Tuesday, August 11 and 25; 1 to 3 p.m.

Englewood Helping Hands

700 E. Dearborn St., Englewood 34223

North Port

Wednesday, Aug. 5 and 26; 9:30 a.m. to Noon

Wednesday, Aug. 12; 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Wal-Mart Super Center

17000 Tamiami Trail, North Port 34287

Wednesday, Aug. 5 and 26; 1 to 3 p.m.

Riley Chase Apts.

1015 Panacea Blvd., North Port 34289

Friday, Aug. 7; 9:30 a.m. to Noon

USDA Food Distribution Program

St. Nathaniel's Episcopal Church

4200 S. Biscayne Drive, North Port 34287

Friday, Aug. 15; 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Back to School Resource Fair

Heron Creek Middle School

6501 W. Price Blvd., North Port 34291

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