



Samaritan Car Care Clinic

From Under the Hood!

Addressing Transportation Barriers to Self-Sufficiency



From the Director's Chair... **P**ARTNER CELEBRATION: A-N-D AUTO

When the Samaritan Car Care Clinic began receiving grants to sponsor car repairs, the Clinic needed partner repair shops to perform that work. Clinic volunteers handle routine maintenance at quarterly maintenance events, but do not tackle actual repairs.

One of the first shops the Clinic was able to partner with was A-N-D Auto in Elsmere, KY. For more than 20 years, shop owner Jim Dennis (right) and his staff have been a trusted and reliable source for auto repairs. After approaching Jim about helping the Clinic with repairs, Jim and his team immediately agreed to work with the Clinic and support the Clinic's efforts to provide safe and reliable transportation for low-income families. Jim shared that he sees every day what a lack of reliable transportation means for families, and he wanted to help. For the last 3+ years, Jim's shop has become an integral part of the Clinic's ability to help families referred to the Clinic for car repairs.



The extremely good news is that Jim has agreed to become the overall director of the Samaritan Car Care Clinic's repair and training operations when the Clinic has its own space later this year. Jim has trained multiple mechanics over the years both at A-N-D and at prior locations. So part of the attraction for Jim to join the Clinic is that the Clinic plans to offer a mechanic co-op position to a Gateway Community and Technical College student, as well as to a graduate of Life Learning Center. *continued on page 3 >*

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Building Update

Madison Ave. & Martin St., Covington



Architect's
Rendering

The Clinic is pleased to share that great progress is being made on the new shop location in Covington. As the photos to the right show, the concrete footers are now poured, and the rebar is in place for the foundation walls. What a welcome sight!



April 19, 2022
Groundbreaking

One huge thank you to Baker Concrete for donating the labor to dig the footers, place forms and rebar, and pour the large concrete slab that will be the base of the garage. **And another big thank you to Hilltop Concrete** for donating a majority of the actual concrete needed for the project. These in-kind gifts allow the Clinic to stretch donated dollars to address transportation barriers!



First pour

The Catalytic Fund of Northern Kentucky has provided a construction line of credit that makes building the Clinic's new garage possible. The Catalytic Fund makes loans to qualifying Northern Kentucky based non-profits that assist low-income families. The Clinic is very appreciative of the Catalytic Fund's support to create the region's very first dedicated non-profit vehicle repair shop. Please contact Clinic Director Bruce Kintner if you are interested in making a donation specifically to help with repaying the construction loan.



Footers and rebar



On the Road



Collaboration is the “weighted variable” in the Transformational Equation!

— Alecia Webb-Edgington, President, Life Learning Center



Jacqueline W., with her “new” 2004 Honda Civic. Here’s the story ▶

It definitely takes a village of dedicated individuals! What wonderful ways the spirit moves us all.

— Vicki Dinterman, Vehicle Donations Manager, St. Vincent de Paul of NKY

Earlier this spring, Life Learning Center referred LLC graduate Jacqueline W. to SCCC for help getting a vehicle. Because she had a job (restaurant in Covington), the Clinic referred Jacqueline to Mike Lyman for consideration of a potential microloan through St. Vincent de Paul of NKY. The Clinic and SVdP of NKY added Jacqueline’s name to the ever growing list of people hoping that a car would become available.

Vicki Dinterman called to share that SVdP of NKY had received a 2004 Honda Civic as a donation. The car needed a lot of work, but despite some rough paint, underneath the car was in pretty good shape. So it made sense to address all of the deferred maintenance and mechanical issues needing to be repaired.

The Samaritan Car Care Clinic invested \$2,700 to address the needed repairs. The single most expensive part was replacing the timing belt and water pump.

Jacqueline was next on the Clinic’s wait list when repairs were complete. And good news: Jacqueline did qualify for a \$2,000 loan through the SVdP of NKY microloan program. Clinic Director Bruce Kintner met Jacqueline at KEMBA along with a volunteer from SVdP of NKY, and then took Jacqueline to the Kenton County Clerk’s office, and completed the title transfer.

Four major players were involved to get to the finish line (title transfer):

- ▶ Life Learning Center makes a referral of a LLC graduate
- ▶ SVdP of NKY receives a donated Civic and contacts the Clinic about possibly diverting the car from the normal go-to-auction stream
- ▶ Samaritan Car Care Clinic oversees repairs
- ▶ SVdP of NKY able to make a microloan funded by the **Butler Foundation**

Many thanks to everyone for helping Jacqueline continue on her journey to self-sufficiency!



▶ Teresa D. with the her Clinic-donated and now repaired 2007 Toyota Corolla.

Donated vehicles provided a hand-up for these new owners. Both Jacqueline & Teresa qualified for SVdP of NKY microloans and were able to purchase their vehicles at a reduced price from the Clinic. NOW both have reliable and safe transportation that will allow them to keep getting to their jobs!



Dear Mr. Kintner — I am very appreciative and grateful for the Samaritan Car Care Clinic helping me and my family get a reliable car. The engine in my car stopped working and could not be repaired. The Clinic helped me get a new car. All I can say is I am so very grateful. Thank you!

—Tasha S., recipient



Hello Mr. Kintner,
Jamie B. here with the 2007 ES.

I just wanted to thank you for what you did for me. You brought me some peace and gave me some room to breathe. You are forever in my heart; not only for myself but what you do for others.
God Bless you Sir! — **Jamie B.**, Cincinnati Hyatt Housekeeper

... from Our Supporters

Brighton Center



Brighton Center works to create opportunities for individuals and families to reach self-sufficiency. Access to reliable transportation is essential in ensuring success for families in our community. The vehicle repairs sponsored by the Samaritan Car Care Clinic are a difference-maker for families, making it possible for them to finish their job training program, or maintain or obtain employment.

— Talia Frye, Vice President

Clinic Update

Saturday June 18, saw the Samaritan Car Care Clinic involved in two different community activities.

That Saturday was one of our regularly scheduled quarterly maintenance events hosted by Clinic volunteers. All 16 oil change appointment slots were taken by referrals from Life Learning Center and Lincoln Grant Scholar House. The Clinic welcomed many returning volunteers, but also welcomed a first time volunteer, Ethan Taylor. Hopefully Ethan's experience was a good one, and he got a flavor of what SCCC is all about.

A special "Thanks" to Jacob for being the runner to try and track down parts; to the Clinic volunteers who make the quarterly events possible; and to Walther Autobody shop owner David Brownfield for letting us use his shop.



If construction moves along as planned, hopefully we'll be able to hold the December 2022 quarterly event in the Clinic's new building!

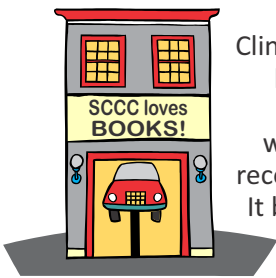
Also On June 18, Rachel Geiman and Karen & Mike Truman represented the Clinic at Lincoln Grant Scholar House's annual community fair, which this year was part of LGSH's Juneteenth celebration.



Dozens of people attending the community fair stopped by the Clinic's table during the day. Many expressed "Thanks" for helping them keep their car's maintenance up to date, and others relayed stories of how SCCC helped a friend or family member. Children visiting our table received special treats. And the weather was great!

SCCC loves BOOKS!

Clinic supporter Suzy Quinn & her husband Dell donate books each quarter so that kids whose parents visit the Clinic receive a free book to take home. It brings a smile to lots of faces!



A-N-D Auto from page 1

Depending upon your perspective, it is either good news or bad news that the Clinic has so much demand for its services that the plan is to have another mechanic in the shop to help with the volume. Jim will oversee those repair operations as well.

The Clinic is incredibly appreciative of Jim Dennis' willingness to join forces with the Samaritan Car Care Clinic to address transportation barriers to self-sufficiency. Until the Clinic's own shop is up and running and Jim is in his new role, the Clinic offers tremendous thanks to Jim and his team at A-N-D Auto for all of the help they have provided over the last several years, and will continue to provide over the upcoming months. — **Bruce Kintner**, Director

SCCC in the News!

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Northern Kentucky Non-profit Garage

91.7 WVXU | Cincinnati Edition

By Lucy May

Interview with Bruce Kintner, Director

<https://www.wvxu.org/show/cincinnati-edition/2022-04-26/northern-kentucky-nonprofit-garage-samaritan-car-care>



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Non-Profit Car Repair Shop to get its Own Garage

WKRC Channel 12 | By Brad Underwood
<https://local12.com/news/local/samaritan-car-care-clinic-nonprofit-car-repair-shop-to-get-its-own-garage-auto-repairs-covington-brighton-center-cincinnati-local-12>



Digital Report April 19, 2022

Non-Profit Breaks Ground on New Location

by Movers & Makers Cincinnati

https://moversmakers.org/2022/04/19/car-care-nonprofit-breaks-ground-on-new-location/?fbclid=IwAR0x-BRfq_xFxiJk1eE0c50sYFZM8dT8UA5fRk04J6WnrpUst2OVVMsc



NKY Chamber of Commerce

July 6, 2022 — Member of the Day

SCCC featured across NKYCC social media & weekly podcast
www.nkychamber.com



June 14, 2022 — Presentation

Clinic Director Bruce Kintner was able to make a two minute "elevator pitch" on the Clinic's behalf at the NKY C of C Eggs 'N Issues meeting. The topic that day was transportation. So in addition to getting an update on the Brent Spence Bridge replacement, the audience of more than 100 chamber members heard about non-bridge transportation barriers that low-income families face.

Thank you — second quarter gifts

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