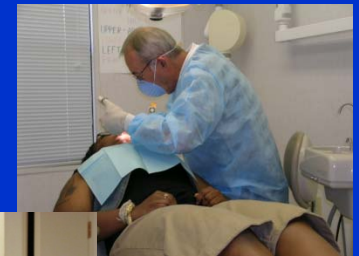


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Our Lady of Mercy
Community Outreach Services, Inc.

Planned Giving to Benefit Future Generations



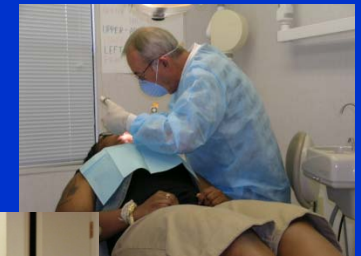


What is *The Sisters' Circle*?

❖ In 1989, the Sisters of Charity of Our Lady of Mercy created an organization “to provide educational, health and direct outreach services to people in need on James, Johns and Wadmalaw Islands while encouraging and supporting self- sufficiency and self-esteem.” The organization was created by means of a planned gift from the Sisters’ own funds.

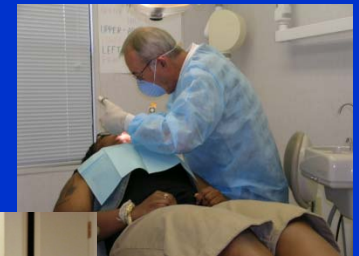
❖ *The Sisters' Circle* is a way for others to support that organization, Our Lady of Mercy Community Outreach Services, through their own planned gift.





What is a “planned gift?”

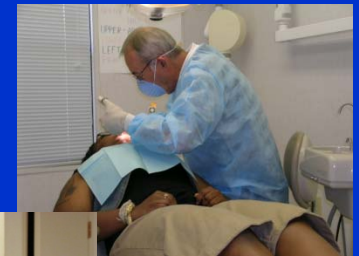
- ❖ A charitable gift that has important tax implications for the donor
- ❖ Usually, but not always, the gift does not benefit the organization immediately



Why make a “planned gift?”

The primary reason is to support work that you believe in.



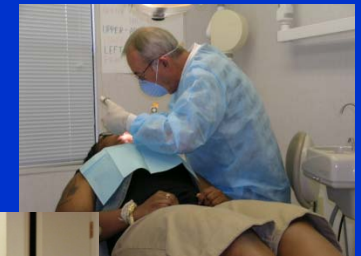


Why make a “planned gift?”

Other reasons include:

- ❖ To extend compassion to those in need
- ❖ To help others because you have been helped when you were in need
- ❖ To demonstrate gratitude for what you have been given by giving back to those in need
- ❖ To give in a way that also provides benefits to you, your spouse and even your heirs



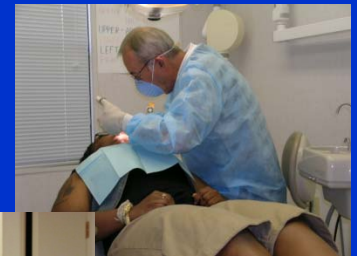


How would the Outreach use my gift?

Planned gifts provide support for the work of the Outreach in perpetuity.

- ❖ The Outreach receives no “regular” ongoing funding from any outside source
- ❖ The Outreach is entirely dependent on gifts from our supporters



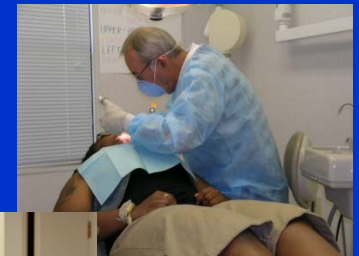


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Consider that in 2009-2010 the Outreach accomplished the following:

- ❖ provided over 4,500 Wellness Center patient visits
- ❖ provided emergency relief to over 4,700 people in need
- ❖ operated the largest adult literacy and English as a Second Language (ESL) program in Charleston County
- ❖ served over 43,000 lunches at The Neighborhood House in Downtown Charleston





Who supports the work of the Outreach?

Many people, all of whom have one thing in common: they believe in the work of the Outreach.

- ❖ 250 people volunteer each year (as receptionists, food and clothing pantry assistants, tutors, reading buddies, etc.)
- ❖ Over 500 people make financial donations annually
- ❖ Some volunteers and contributors formerly received help from the Outreach!





What are some “planned giving” options?

The choices are many, and include bequests, trusts, annuities, bargain sales, and gifts of real estate and life insurance





How do I decide if a “planned gift” makes sense for me?

The Outreach will be happy to work with you and your financial advisor to explore the possibilities.





Whom should I call?

Call Griff Hogan, Director of Development,
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On behalf of those the Outreach serves, thank you!

