

# HEALTHFINDERS COLLABORATIVE, INC.

*To provide quality, accessible, and culturally sensitive health care services at no cost, to low income, uninsured residents of greater Rice County.*

January 2008

## An Evening Under The Stars

*5th Annual Gala*

*March 8, 2008*

*American Legion, Faribault*

*Uninsured rates continue to rise nationally and Rice County, Minnesota is not an exception. An uninsured individual is not of a specific race, ethnicity, age, or gender. HealthFinders has pledged to provide quality accessible and culturally sensitive health care services at no cost to any uninsured, low-income individual residing in greater Rice County.*

*For the past two and a half years, HealthFinders would not have maintained a free medical clinic without your ongoing support. More than 130 volunteers have staffed the clinic, more than \$80,000 annually in-kind donations from local organizations and more than \$20,000 annually in non-grant funding have been important in maintaining our clinic operational.*

*HealthFinders **thanks you** for your support and would like to extend an invitation for you to join us in celebrating such a collaboration and honor all partners in being active supporters of providing healthcare to our local uninsured community members.*

*HealthFinders is pleased to present magician Tim Freeland and the Rice County All-Star band at our 5th annual gala. You will enjoy a wonderful dinner catered by the Faribault American Legion, live music, entertainment, silent auction but most importantly an opportunity to meet fellow community members directly involved in assuring HealthFinders maintains its open doors and provide patients with the tools needed to live a healthier life.*

*Thank you!*

*Angie Koch, Director*

### Clinic Statistics (June 2005—December 2007)

Patients served	800
Clinic visits	1680
Number of RX's filled	2800
Diabetic Program (currently)	16
Pura Vida (currently)	10
Non-student Volunteers (currently)	83
Student Volunteers (currently)	45

### Patient Testimonial

*A mother of three children came into the clinic because her daughters were all very ill with high fevers, cough and fatigue.*

*She said, "Thank you very much for making this free clinic idea a reality. I have always had medical insurance and just up till recently my husband got laid off and we fell into a financial hardship. I can't afford 3 emergency room medical bills and I can't give you much of a donation. But the little I can, I hope will grow into hundreds so that you may continue this great effort. [Patient in tears and speaking to the provider] Thank you for your donated time away from your own family. It is priceless and much appreciated. Thanks.*

## Patient Testimonial

*A diabetic patient stated, "I am so grateful to live in a community where there are resources such as HealthFinders. My diabetes was out of control and I always feared that I would end up in the hospital, die and my children would be left alone, simply because I really don't understand this disease and what it is that I can do to help myself and my children. Thank you so much for your help and although I do not have the financial resources to reimburse you for all your services, I pray and thank God that He has brought your organization into my life. Thank you."*

### An Evening Under the Stars

Tickets \$30 before March 1, 2008  
and \$35 at the door

Tickets available at:

[www.healthfindersmn.org](http://www.healthfindersmn.org)

507-330-4031

Just Foods Co-Op, Northfield  
Eastman Music, Faribault

Doors open at 6:00pm  
American Legion in Faribault

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*HealthFinders offers the following services with the assistance from local organizations providing in-kind donations and the generosity from individuals and organizations like you who donate to provide financial means to accomplish our mission!*

- Free clinic visits two nights a week—Tuesday and Thursday from 5:30pm—8:30pm
- Medication Assistance Program—Individuals without insurance to cover prescription medications can get prescription and over-the-counter medications at no cost through participating pharmacies and HealthFinders.
- Diabetes Program—At all times, HealthFinders has a maximum of 16 patients enrolled in this program where they will receive all the necessary tools and education needed to control their blood sugar levels.
- Pura Vida Program—This six-month program provides the tools and education necessary for 10 individuals to gain a better understanding and a hands on approach on actively engaging in a healthier lifestyle.
- Referral Services—HealthFinders is proud of the existing services available to all Rice County residents and therefore ensures all HealthFinders constituents are aware and access the necessary service needed on an individual basis..

*All these programs are possible because of our dedicated clinical and non-clinical staff volunteers. If you are interested in giving a few hours of your time, call Angie Koch, 507-330-4031, to learn more.*

#### HealthFinders financial supporters in 2007-2008

#### 2008 Gala Sponsors (to date)

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