Since March 2009, Christ Health Center has grown from four employees to 96 employees in two locations. We train 16 family medicine residents every year, deliver 272 hours of on-site training to students and young healthcare professionals each week, and our medical, dental, pharmacy, and other visit numbers continue to grow.
Stories of Hope and Healing

God’s Work In Me and Through Me

WANDA’S STORY

Wanda Harvill is a Christ Health patient and single mother of a severely autistic child. Her son Jayden requires a strict routine and a lot of special attention.

Before Christ Health Center, Wanda struggled to find a job that would allow her to pay the bills and be there for her son, but today they are both flourishing.

“Christ Health gave me so much more than a job. They gave me an opportunity — a place to grow and become a part of something meaningful. They gave my son and me a place to thrive.”

Wanda has been an integral part of our staff since April of 2017, and her smiling face can be seen each and every morning as our Supervisor of Scheduling.

Intentional Attention to the Soul

ANNA’S STORY

As a second-year family medicine resident, Dr. Anna Worth was used to treating patients from all walks of life, but something about Paighton Houston was different.

“I met Paighton, and I saw myself,” Anna remembers.

“Except for a few unfortunate decisions and the obvious grace of God, our roles could have easily been reversed. Paighton shared her story, and it changed my heart. Perhaps for the first time, I really saw that patients are people, and this young addict? She was someone’s daughter, sister, and friend; she became my friend.”

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“I was in a very bad place and had long since lost hope that I was worthy of love or ‘healing,’” Paighton remembers. “But Anna proved me wrong. She invested time with me and showed me what mercy and grace are all about.”

Kindness Saved My Soul

PAIGHTON’S STORY

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Through their journey over the last year, Anna and Paighton became fast friends and remain close to this day.

Drugs made me believe that I was worthless and unworthy, but Anna and Christ Health Center showed me what mercy and grace are all about.

PAIGHTON HOUSTON
Your support makes the stories of Wanda, Anna, and Paighton possible. But countless others still need help.

1 in 4 Children
Age 13-18 in Alabama struggle with an anxiety disorder.

75 Million
Americans live in medically underserved areas.

Alabama Ranks 48th
Out of 50 states for access to mental health care.

Over 14,000
Primary care providers are still needed in medically underserved areas across the nation.

Mental health care is in a state of crisis, and there is a tremendous shortage of physicians willing to serve the 75 million people living in communities of need in our nation.

With your help, Christ Health is taking steps to respond to these problems with a solution: THE MULTIPLY CAMPAIGN.

To MULTIPLY means to cause to increase greatly in number or quantity; to go farther and reach higher. MULTIPLY is about working together to serve our patients, communities, city, state, nation, and world. MULTIPLY is action. It is progress. It is an invitation to each one of us to give and invest; to help change the reality of some, so that hope and healing can become real for many.

Working toward our goal of raising $8.23 million, we have reached many fundraising milestones so far, but in order to stay on track, we need to raise $250,000 more by the end of 2018.

Please consider multiplying your impact in the community by making a special year-end donation to Christ Health to help us reach this goal.

A BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER
Opening April 2019 with 2 psychiatrists in Woodlawn to expand access to mental health care for children and adults.

A COMMITMENT TO EXPAND THE RESIDENCY
To train 110 new family physicians to provide 330,000 medical-ministry opportunities over the next 10 years across our state, nation, and world.

$5.75 MILLION ALREADY SECURED
$2.48 MILLION STILL NEEDED
$250K YEAR-END GOAL

YOU CAN HELP INVEST $8.23 MILLION IN CHRIST HEALTH PATIENTS

CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF CHRIST HEALTH CENTER
But the word of the Lord continued to grow and to be MULTIPLIED.

Acts 12:24