



***“Solidarity Not Charity”***

8/27/07

Dear CGHC Supporter,

The Common Ground Health Clinic (CGHC) is preparing to celebrate its two-year anniversary in September. We have come a long way from the street corner first aid station that we were directly after Hurricane Katrina. We look forward to this event and to celebrating the life of the clinic with you. We truly could not have become what we are without the continued support of patients, neighborhood partners, private and corporate donors like you.

We have grown to become a permanent primary care clinic, and have now hired 7 full time staff including a Nurse Practitioner, an Executive Director, and a Licensed Clinical Social Worker. The rest of our healthcare, administrative, and community outreach workers volunteer from 5-35 hours a week, and we are now working on extending our clinic hours each week. We look forward to staying in Algiers and continuing to grow as a comprehensive, integrative and free primary care clinic.

To celebrate the clinic’s two-year anniversary, we are organizing a neighborhood block party on Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup> beginning at 4pm. There’ll be food and music New Orleans style! We’ll need your support to procure items that can be used as raffle prizes or silent auction items to raise funds for the clinic. Remember the clinic relies on donations and grants to provide free healthcare services.

We encourage you to visit our website often to find out what’s new at the clinic and to get the opportunity to contribute towards the continued sustenance of the clinic. We were recently featured on the New York Times. You can watch the video titled “The Little Clinic that could” on our website at [www.cghc.org](http://www.cghc.org) Anything you can contribute would be greatly appreciated and acknowledged at this event. If you have any questions or would like to donate please call 504-717-7329. All donations are tax deductible, and we will send you our 501(c)3 tax id number upon request. Thank you so much and be well.

Sincerely,

Antor N. Ola

Executive Director