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THE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF HOWARD BROWN HEALTH

Broadway Youth Center's New Home

For 17 years, Broadway Youth Center has served as a central gathering point for LGBTQ young people experiencing housing insecurity and poverty. Youth accessing care share with us how critical BYC is for them in meeting immediate and long-term health and safety goals. Expansion of the high-quality services for homeless, unstably housed and/or underserved youth we offer is one of our highest priorities.

In fall 2021, 1023 W. Irving Park Road will become the new permanent home for the Broadway Youth Center. The new BYC will have dedicated space for clinical services and house BYC's employment and education programming, behavioral health services, and drop-in space, enabling more outreach and cultural programming. It will feature space for expansion of hot meals, showers, laundry, and more basic-need services. The new five-story, 20,000-square-foot BYC is phase I of Howard Brown Health's We Care Campaign, we will build a five-story, 20,000-square-foot healthcare and youth programming home for BYC.

This facility will offer a stable place of respite to thousands of youth experiencing homelessness and housing instability each year. As its first permanent home, our new BYC will create opportunity, security, and access for LGBTQ youth and their allies citywide.

Learn more about our expansion projects for improving the health of Chicagoans at **howardbrown.org/wecare**



Upcoming Events

9/29-30

Midwest LGBTQ Health Symposium

Virtual Conference - See page 3 for details.

Register at howardbrown.org/MLHS

10/11

Indigenous Peoples' Day

Join us in celebrating the contributions and culture of indigenous people in Chicago and the Midwest.

10/23

Big Orange Ball

Don't miss this virtual night of fundraising and frights!

howardbrown.org/BigOrangeBall



Outreach at Brown Elephant Lakeview & Andersonville

Stay healthy. Know your HIV status and connect to treatment when you need it! The Brown Elephant stores in Anderson-ville and Lakeview now offer free HIV and STI screenings through Howard Brown Health Outreach. Stop, shop, and know your status:

Andersonville (5404 N. Clark St. Chicago, IL 60640) Lakeview (3020 N. Lincoln Ave. Chicago, IL 60657)

Every Wednesday (12:30 – 5 p.m.) Second and fourth Saturday (Noon – 4 p.m.)



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Site Information

Howard Brown Health

6500 N. Clark St. Chicago, IL 60626

Clark

Howard Brown Health Halsted

3245 N. Halsted St. Chicago, IL 60657

Howard Brown Health **Sheridan**

4025 N. Sheridan Rd. Chicago, IL 60613 Howard Brown Health **55**th **St.**

1525 E. 55th St. Chicago, IL 60615

Howard Brown Health 63rd St.

641 W. 63rd St. Chicago, IL 60621

Howard Brown Health at La Casa Norte

3533 W. North Avenue Chicago, IL 60647 Howard Brown Health Counseling Center

3948 N. Sheridan Rd. Chicago, IL 60613

Howard Brown Health at Thresholds South

734 W. 47th St. Chicago, IL 60609

Howard Brown Health Dental at 63rd St.

641 W. 63rd St. Chicago, IL 60621 Broadway Youth Center

Broadway 4009 N. Broadway

Chicago, IL 60613

Howard Brown Health **Diversey**

2800 N. Sheridan Rd. Suite 211 Chicago, IL 60657

Howard Brown Health at TPAN (temporarily closed)

5537 N. Broadway Chicago, IL 60640

For more information, visit howardbrown.org/health-centers or call us at 773.388.1600

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Get Your Dental Services at Howard Brown Health

Checking for a cavity has never been easier! Howard Brown Health Dental provides in-clinic services for routine cleanings, fillings, and more. To ensure the safety of our patients and staff, we perform regular temperature checks and regular sanitization, adhere to CDC protocols, and have a state-of-the-art air filtration system.



Is it time for your child's dental check-up? Thanks to a generous donation from the Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation, Howard Brown Health Dental expanded its Englewood clinic, creating a welcoming pediatric lobby outfitted with toys and other amenities.

The remodeled space features vibrant decor and child-friendly chairs to introduce what might otherwise be a stressful experience. The pediatric lobby connects to a new pediatric dental suite, comprising two dental exam rooms designed to meet the unique needs of children.

Howard Brown Health Dental at 63rd St. is your comprehensive dental center in Chicago. Our dental suite provides full service dental care with the community's needs in mind.

Call **872.233.4250** to schedule a dental appointment today.

In Power - Addressing Sexual Harm in Our Community

Howard Brown's sexual harm response program, In Power, has grown steadily in response to community need. Since launching in 2017, In Power has increased the number of people served by 32% and trained over 700 community members in best practices to support LGBTQ survivors. In Power continues to exceed projections of people served with medical, psychosocial, legal, advocacy, and care navigation services following a report of sexual harm. The unique program model responds to the specific needs of LGBTQ people.

In Power is expanding full-time services in Englewood to continue meeting the growing needs of survivors accessing care at Howard Brown.

Medical forensic exams and evidence collection are available at Howard Brown Health Sheridan and Howard Brown Health 63rd St. locations.

We offer sexual assault medical forensic exams to sexual assault survivors up to seven days after experiencing an assault.

At Howard Brown, we understand sexual assault impacts our community. We're proud to offer the first integrated medical, legal, and behavioral health advocacy program for LGBTQ survivors in the nation. Find out more at howardbrown.org/inpower





Join us in welcoming Dr. Rachel Levine, 17th Assistant Secretary for Health for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services as our special guest for this year's Midwest LGBTQ Health Symposium!

The Midwest LGBTQ Health Symposium 2021 is a two-day virtual conference that brings together healthcare professionals, educators, researchers, and advocates from across the country. They disseminate evidence-based practices and engage in rigorous discussion around issues relating to the health of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer communities.

Register at howardbrown.org/ MLHS

Happening September 29 - 30, 2021

Volunteer Spotlight

Bruce he/him/his



Did you know that Howard Brown Health was founded by volunteers? It all started with a coffee pot and determination. In 1974, a group from the Chicago Gay Medical Students Association started what eventually became Howard Brown. Bruce has been a volunteer since the 1990s. Learn about his experiences volunteering at Howard Brown, and find out if volunteering is right for you!

"I learned about Howard Brown and volunteering initially through my friend, who was living with AIDS. He was one of Howard Brown's clients, and I struck up a friendship with him. He was experiencing some difficulties and eventually needed someone to be the conservator for his money. In the late 90s/early 2000s, I would take him to appointments to Howard Brown. They always treated him with such dignity. I looked into volunteering again in 2015, and I thought, 'What better place to do it than Howard Brown?'

I love the idea of being a part of something bigger. Howard Brown is a wonderful organization. It's really grown since I started volunteering. Now, with the pandemic, I'm working at the Patient Services station. I'm a disciplined person, even with volunteering. I think of it as a job. I love working with DaVon, Associate Director of Practice Operations. When the clinic first opened, it was just DaVon, me, a provider, and a pharmacist. Today it's thriving!

If it's in your heart to help people, then I recommend volunteering at Howard Brown."

If you have any questions on how to volunteer, get involved and learn more about our volunteer program at howardbrown.org/get-involved/ volunteer

Donor Spotlight

While based in Chicago early in her career, Staci Bush practiced HIV and adolescent medicine at Broadway Youth Center and served on Howard Brown's Board of Directors. She credits her experience at BYC as life changing. Staci writes, "BYC was not just a place for the youth, but it was a place where the staff came to love hard, care deeply, and change the world."

Staci and her husband, Justin Wooley, were excited when they learned about Howard Brown's We Care capital campaign and its Phase One project: an expanded Broadway Youth Center.

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Together, Staci and Justin made a donation to sponsor BYC's new breakroom, naming it the "Lois Bates Breakroom as dedicated by Staci Bush and Justin Wooley."

The breakroom will provide a dedicated space for BYC staff to eat or take time off, a new amenity for employees, while honoring the late Lois Bates. A Howard Brown employee who was known for her compassion, advocacy, and expertise in HIV prevention and transgender education.

Staci and Justin are delighted to support a space that will create opportunity, security, and access for LGBTQIA youth and those who "love on them."



Staci Bush, Justin Wooley, and their daughter.

For more information about BYC naming opportunities, please contact Steven, Senior Individual Giving Officer, at **StevenS@howardbrown.org** or **872.269.3422.**

