

What do we do and how do we use your contribution?

The Geneseo Parish Outreach Center, Inc. provides health care, health education, disease prevention, and advocacy for people who are underinsured or have no insurance. This includes, but is not limited to:

- **Resource Connecting:** We have a large network system to connect those in need with a wide variety of area resources.
- **Prevention Medicine:** We focus on preventative care; we are not an urgent care, but instead provide primary care services for those in crisis or have fallen through the cracks. We will also connect those who need long term care with an appropriate provider.
- **Medication:** Through funding (grants, supporters like you), samples, and the help of a volunteer pharmacist, we are able to provide medication assistance either by providing financial help or samples of medication (inhalers, insulin, etc.). Insulin is one of our most expensive and greatest needs. ***YOUR DONATION can directly help offset this cost.***



Our assistance is crucial as low-income individuals are especially sensitive to even nominal increases in medical out-of-pocket costs¹.

A diabetic male needed to check his insulin four times a day. He recently lost his job and had a gap in insurance coverage. He has applied to Medicaid and was actively pursuing employment, but ran out of test stripes while he's in between jobs. We were able to provide him the test strips, ensuring he was able to manage his diabetes and not end up experiencing complications from increased glucose.

Between 2002-2013 insulin experienced a 225% increase, making the typical price of a vial \$130. A vial usually lasts one, maybe two weeks².

How Can You Help?

Because we are a 501(c)3 organization, **your donation is tax-deductible**. Please see our enclosed letter for directions on how to donate. Thank you for your generosity!

For more information about us please visit our web page:
<http://www.gpocenter.org>

For one retiree, insulin costs \$400 a month. This cost is after exhausting Medicare coverage. We were able to help the retiree cover the insulin costs in a month where other home expenses exhausted the family budget.

¹ <https://aspe.hhs.gov/basic-report/financial-condition-and-health-care-burdens-people-deep-poverty>

² https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=3&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=2ahUKewi4goyFt-3dAhWDY98KHQvhAPMQFjACegQIBxAL&url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.nytimes.com%2F2018%2F06%2F22%2Fwell%2Fdiabetes-patients-at-risk-from-rising-insulin-prices.html&usq=AOvVaw3_NzKQJs0Zps3y9hadC6EA