

GOWN & GLOVE GALA



Inaugural 2019 Gala Sponsorship Opportunities

An evening of silent auction, videos from the medical students, music and dancing in support of
Greenville Free Medical Clinic and School of Medicine Greenville
student scholarship

benefiting
greenville
free medical clinic
quality care with compassion



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Friday, September 20, 2019 8:00 p.m.

Embassy Suites

670 Verdae Boulevard, Greenville, South Carolina



“I started to volunteer at the Greenville Free Clinic because I saw it as an opportunity to give back to the community that we serve here in Greenville. I get to spend more time with the patients and really focus on education and counseling (something that's more on a time crunch at our residency clinic). Reciprocally, the patients are more appreciative, and that goes a long way. I encourage more residents to get involved at the clinic, as I certainly believe that everyone would reap the benefits.”

PGY-3 Family Medicine
Dr. Ardalan (Ardi) Ahmadi

To promote wellness and to provide caring, quality primary medical care and dental services, health education, and prescription medications without charge to eligible low-income uninsured Greenville County residents

CLINIC FACTS

- Nearly 600 volunteers give their time each year
- The clinic offers medical and dental care, including preventative gynecology care, ophthalmology care, and other specialized medical services
- Health education classes on topics including diabetes management, women's health, smoking cessation, and others
- Medications for treatment and management of most chronic and acute illnesses

Why We Chose to Partner

Many Greenville physicians are involved with Greenville Free Medical Clinic from the start of their residencies through their careers as attending physicians, and that spirit of giving back to the community spread to the **University of South Carolina School of Medicine Greenville** from its inception in 2012. Students volunteer at the clinic helping monitor patient's vitals, check patients in, and work on various administrative jobs that help keep the clinic running smoothly. Residents and attending physicians volunteer hours of their time to work with patients and help keep the Greenville community healthy. The clinic is near and dear to all our hearts and it is an integral part of meeting the Greenville community's medical needs, making it an incredibly worthy recipient of our fundraising efforts.



Volunteering at the Greenville Free Medical Clinic was definitely one of the most rewarding parts of my first two years of medical school. My volunteer shifts were a much-needed reminder of why I went into medicine in the first place. Prior to starting Medical school, I was very passionate about the role that patient education plays in medicine. The Greenville Free Medical Clinic does an excellent job at educating patients about their health, particularly in regards to diabetic education and nutrition. It is very apparent that the staff genuinely cares about their patients as well as the volunteers. The employees often took time out of their busy schedules to offer guidance that I am to incorporate into my practice as a future physician. This isn't the end for me – I hope to keep going back to volunteer whenever possible!

Jenny Santos

M3 at UofSC School of Medicine Greenville

Supporting the students who support the community

Scholarships are awarded to incoming students and current students who exemplify the values that USCSOMG holds dear. Incoming students are considered for their application, financial need, metrics, achievements, and the adversity faced to bring the student to the current point in their career. Current students are evaluated on values that include commitment and dedication to the practice of medicine, compassion for patients and their families, personal integrity and enthusiasm, and continued intellectual and professional excellence. In this manner, the students who receive the awards are undoubtedly worthy recipients who will make the most of the gift of their scholarship.

Scholarships help diffuse some of the burden medical students face in today's world, where the average debt medical students have incurred by graduation is nearly \$200,000. Repaying that sum with interest is a daunting task that influences students' decision on where and what they want to practice. We are facing a shortage of general practitioner physicians, especially in rural areas with vulnerable populations, and helping to offset some of this debt will hopefully lessen the burden enough that students feel as though they can truly make their decision on what to practice based on their passions, not just on what they feel is financially feasible.

At the gala, we will have some students speak on just how big of an impact receiving a scholarship from UofSC School of Medicine Greenville has had on them. For many, receiving a scholarship was what made their dream of training to be a physician possible in the first place. We hope that you see your donation to this cause as we do; it is an investment in the future of medicine, healthcare innovation, and in the health of our community via the Greenville Free Medical Clinic and right here in our home in Greenville.

How you can support

Be part of this special inaugural event and submit your sponsorship today! Benefits include prominent recognition in programs, signage and digital displays along with personal introduction during the opening remarks, and more!

Support Level	Amount	Tickets	Invitation Logo	Stage Recognition	Photo at Gala	Commemorative Plaque	Banner at Gala	Dedicated Table/Bar	Opening Remarks
Platinum	\$8,000	10	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Gold	\$5,000	8	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Silver	\$2,500	6	●	●	●	●	●		
Bronze	\$1,000	2	●	●	●				
Supporter	\$500	1	●	●					

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Proceeds from this event will be shared equally between the Greenville Free Medical Clinic and the UofSC School of Medicine Scholarship Fund. Donations being made to this event are provided through the University of South Carolina Educational Foundation as a Section 501(c)(3) nonprofit, therefore your contribution less the valuation of tickets received may qualify as a charitable donation.

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