Eric Lahmann, of Springfield, knew exactly how he wanted to celebrate five years of being cancer-free: organize a fundraiser and donate the profits to a local nonprofit. He just didn’t know which nonprofit to choose.

Fortunately for VIM, fate intervened. Eric and his girlfriend, Judy Betts, happened upon Our Sisters’ Closet, the re-sale store VIM opened last May in Glenwood. It was the first they had heard about VIM. They researched on-line and learned about VIM’s services.

When they sent around an email asking different nonprofits if they would be interested in being a recipient, VIM Executive Director DeLeesa Meashintubby was the first to respond, Eric says. “She followed up—others didn’t, at least not in the same way.”

VIM Clinic, they decided, would be the fundraiser recipient. Then a friend asked Judy to join her table at VIM’s Swingin’ Summer Night event, where Judy learned even more about the clinic and its philosophy of providing free healthcare services to those who otherwise couldn’t afford them.

Eric and Judy used Facebook, email, fliers and face-to-face contact to advertise the event. They collected gift cards, sporting equipment and other items from local businesses and individuals—including a custom-made, UO Duck-themed corn hole game—to be raffled off. A friend, Denny Corkum, sold two of his compound bows, and donated the $300 to the fundraiser.

“The merchants were amazing. They knew it was for a good cause, and that every dollar was staying local,” Eric says.

The August event was held at Rick and Susan Moorhead’s White Horse Saloon in Springfield. Eric and Judy estimate about 75 – 100 people attended. “Not as many as I wanted,” Eric says, “but the ones who came were extremely generous.”

To Eric and Judy’s surprise, the event raised $1,000, far more than they expected. They presented the check to VIM event organizer Diane LeClere.

“It was a blindside,” Eric says, of Diane’s reaction to the unexpected amount. “We all got teary. It was an honor.”
A message from DeLeesa Meashintubby, Executive Director
Volunteers In Medicine Clinic

There is a quote by Helen Keller that I love and it says...“Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.”

With the help of 598 donors, 57 medical providers, 428 volunteers, and over 200 community medical partners, VIM was able to successfully carry on the mission of providing quality health care to the low-income, un-insured and under-insured community members of Lane County.

This past year, 1,658 patients have called VIM their medical home. VIM served a total of 8,768 patient visits—the most patient visits VIM has seen in one year since 2014. We also saw an increase in new patient visits—this past year, 392 community members became eligible for VIM services.

Along with our staff, our clinic works through the hearts and hands of our generous and caring community. As a team we all play a huge role in helping our community be the best that it can be. I thank each and every one of you for your support. We are definitely better together!

Sincerely,

We are excited to announce that Volunteers In Medicine ranked 77 as one of the top 100 Best Nonprofits to Work for in Oregon by the Oregon Business Magazine.

The Oregon Business Magazine collected information from an anonymous employee survey and a confidential employer survey of benefits and workplace practices.

The employee survey measured satisfaction and importance of 31 workplace qualities in six categories: work environment; management and communications; mission and goals; career development and learning; benefits and compensation; and sustainable practices.
### VIM Program Report

#### Patients

- **New Patients**: 392
- Eligible for Care: 1,658
- In-Clinic Visits: 8,768
  - (30% increase from 2018)
- Behavioral Health Visits: 2,336
  - (27% of all visits)
- Latino Patient Visits: 37%

#### Patient Eligibility

- Volunteer Eligibility Screeners: 8
- New and Renewing Financial Screenings: 1,111

#### Volunteers

- **New Volunteers**: 104
- Active Volunteers: 428
- Onsite Translators: 42
- Donated Volunteers Hours: 15,947
- Value of Hours Donated: $364,408

#### Onsite Speciality Services

- Behavioral Health
- Cardiology
- Diabetes Mgmt
- General Surgery
- Gynecology
- Hemaoncology
- Internal Medicine
- Ophthalmology
- Orthopedics
- Pain Mgmt
- Psychiatry
- Pulmonology
- Respiratory
- Therapy
- Rheumatology

#### Charitable Pharmacy

- Prescriptions Dispensed: 7,933
- Average Value of Each Dispensed Prescription: $104
- Value of Free Medications Dispensed: $805,776

#### Primary Care Providers

- General Providers: 43
- Primary Care Shifts Per month: 34

#### Top Diagnoses

1. Behavioral Health (Anxiety & Depression Disorders)
2. Diabetes
3. Hypertension

#### Geographic Regions

- Eugene: 46%
- Springfield: 44%
- Creswell/Cottage Grove: 4%
- Harrisburg/Junction City: 2%
- Oakridge: 2%
- Other: 2%

#### Community Partner Referrals

1,482 referrals for additional services from off-site specialists for services not provided at VIM.

Referrals include:
- Anemia
- Anesthesia
- Dermatology
- Cancers (Skin, Cervical)
- Breast Mass
- Chest Pain
- Chronic Kidney Disease
- Cardiac Issues
- Dental
- Fractures
- Gall Stones
- Gastroenterology
- Hearing Problems
- HBP
- Hernias
- Kidney Disease
- Ophthalmology
- Optometry
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Volunteers In Medicine’s 11th Annual Swingin’ Summer Night fundraiser was held at Shadow Hills Country Club on Thursday, August 1, 2019. It was an amazing evening with more than 150 guests who enjoyed signature cocktails, dressing to the 50’s theme, lots of great camaraderie, dinner and old fashioned floats for desert. The weather cooperated and the evening couldn’t have been more perfect!

Thanks to our supporters who opened their hearts, $67,000 was raised to support VIM. Guests enjoyed a Gift Card Wall where guests selected their favorite star from the 50’s in exchange for a gift card and the costume contest was a hit as well. The evening came to a close with dancing under the stars to the band Riffle.

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