



### Who We Serve

- **Poor.** Approximately 96% of CMOAR patients fall below the federal poverty level.
- **Uninsured.** Up to 90% of our patients have no public or private insurance coverage.
- **Employed.** The vast majority of our patients are the working poor who have jobs in the restaurant, garment, and other service industries that make up the backbone of the LA economy, but do not have insurance.
- **Undereducated.** An estimated 40% of our patients are functionally illiterate.
- **Monolingual.** A majority of our patients are monolingual in Spanish or a Mesoamerican language, such as Kanjobal, Quiche, Mam, or other non-European languages from southern Mexico and Central America.
- **Latino and Hispanic.** Approximately 95% of our patients are Latino and Hispanic with 70% being Mexican-American and 15% being from Central or South America.

### Services and Programs

CMOAR provides approximately 64,000 medical, dental, and mental health visits per year to more than 19,000 children, adolescents, and adults regardless of their ability to pay.

- **Primary Healthcare: Medical, Dental, and Mental Health**
- **Health Education**
- **Community Organizing**

**Clínica Msr. Oscar A. Romero** is a 501(C)3 non-profit community health center and contributions are tax-deductible.

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### The Ahmanson Foundation Awards CMOAR \$250,000

On April 21, 2011, The Ahmanson Foundation awarded Clínica Msr. Oscar A. Romero \$250,000 to support the purchase and implementation of an Electronic Health Records (EHR) system and practice management solution. The implementation of an EHR system will conclude a significant period of expansion and quality improvement work that Clínica Romero has undertaken over the past few years.

Through the purchase of an EHR system, Clínica Romero will improve the quality of care at its three clinic sites by reducing wait times, increasing patient access to care, and enhancing our ability to track and report on cohorts of chronic disease patients.

The major benefits of this project will be felt by Clínica Romero's patient population of over 19,000 patients per year. Clínica Romero's patient population resides in Los Angeles County; with the majority of patients living in the Pico-Union/Westlake and Boyle Heights (East Los Angeles) areas near our clinic sites. Clínica Romero's patient population is a primarily low-income, Latino, monolingual Spanish speaking population. Clínica Romero also serves a large indigenous population from Southern Mexico and Northern Guatemala who do not speak English nor Spanish, but rather one of several Mesoamerican languages.

Clínica Romero would like to thank The Ahmanson Foundation for its continued support. The Ahmanson Foundation has been a major partner of the clinic in the past. The Foundation has previously helped us purchase state of the art accounting and fundraising software, and was a major supporter of our \$6.2 million Capital Campaign to purchase and renovate our main site at 123 S. Alvarado Street in Pico-Union/Westlake.

### Oral Health America Awards CMOAR Dental Supplies Grant

On April 26, 2011, Clínica Romero was awarded a dental supplies grant through Oral Health America's "Smiles Across America" product donation program. Oral Health America's "Smiles Across America" program was designed to serve children that have limited or no access to dental or preventive care. The "Smiles Across America" program is generously sponsored by 3M ESPE, Pulpdent Corporation, Colgate, Dentsply International, and Whip Mix, among others.

Clínica Romero's dental program will be provided with 1,200 sealants and 1,000 doses of fluoride varnish as a result of this grant award. The product will be used to provide dental care to children at Clínica Romero's three clinic sites.

Clínica Romero has made providing comprehensive, culturally and linguistically competent dental care an organizational priority; since this service is often overlooked and is an integral part of the patient's overall health. Over the past 10 years, Clínica Romero has significantly expanded its dental program despite year after year declines in government reimbursement levels and sponsorship. In 2010, Clínica Romero provided 6,344 dental visits (nearly twice as many as a decade ago).

Clínica Romero provides preventive and restorative dental services by an experienced team of providers and support staff. Services are provided at our main site in Pico-Union/Westlake (5 days/week) and our second site in Boyle Heights (two days/week), with dental screenings performed at our Children's

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Clinica. Preventive care includes oral examinations with x-rays, scheduled cleanings, and fluoride treatments. Restorative care includes fillings, tooth extractions, root canals on front teeth, crowns and spacers for children, and periodontal treatment for adults. Clinica has established relationships with the USC School of Dentistry, UCLA, and Arroyo Vista for more complicated procedures that cannot be performed on-site.

Clinica Romero would like to thank Oral Health America for its generous support to our dental program and its commitment to helping treat children's teeth nationwide.

### **Clinica Romero Recognizes Women's Health Week**

Clinica Romero would like to recognize Women's Health Week, May 8 – 14. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Women's Health, is recommending that women make their health a priority by: 1) Getting at least 2 hours and 30 minutes of moderate physical activity, 1 hour and 15 minutes of vigorous physical activity, or a combination of both, each week; 2) Eating a nutritious diet; 3) Visiting a health care professional to receive regular checkups and preventive screenings; 4) Avoiding risky behaviors, such as smoking; and 5) Paying attention to mental health, including getting enough sleep and managing stress.

Clinica Romero provides comprehensive Women's Health Services through its Women & Children's program at its two main clinic sites. Clinica provides prenatal care, pediatric care, reproductive healthcare screenings (including pap smears and pelvic exams), family planning, breast cancer screening, depression screening, nutrition counseling, and on-site Medi-Cal enrollment and retention services. In addition, Clinica Romero makes available high-quality oral health, mental health, and substance abuse services for women in need.

If you would like to schedule an appointment with Clinica Romero's Women & Children's Program, please call (213) 201-2755 for our main site in Pico-Union/Westlake or (323) 987-1030 for our site in Boyle Heights.