



# Helping our neighborhood by investing in our residents

Taking care of the residents of the Clark-Fulton neighborhood, including its large Hispanic population, has been a top priority for MetroHealth and for its partners, Metro West Community Development Corp. and Councilwoman Jasmin Santana. The health care system's programming for the neighborhood has resulted in more than \$10 million in investment and economic impact in just the last three years.

Here is a partial list of MetroHealth's investments in Clark-Fulton, including many that are directed at its Latino residents.

## Community Healthcare & Outreach

- **Aamoth Pediatric Wellness Center:** Encourages participants to engage in healthy lifestyles including diet, exercise and more. (\$140,000)
- **Autism Assessment Center:** Since 2016, has provided services to 254 children; it is the only Spanish-speaking autism assessment center for children in Ohio. (\$254,000)
- **Bariatric Surgery Seminars:** Presented in Spanish four times each year; radio segments in Spanish outlining bariatric services, including posts on La Mega's social media platforms (\$10,000)
- **BREAST Amigas:** Outreach program to provide health care and mammogram services to Spanish-speaking women. (\$330,000)
- **Hispanic Pediatric Clinic:** Since 2018, has provided pediatric care to Spanish-speaking families with more than 2,600 children served. (\$700,000)



"I'm very proud of what we have done for Clark-Fulton, and I am determined to continue our dedication to investment in the neighborhood."

- Dr. Akram Boutros  
MetroHealth President & CEO

- **Mobile 3D Mammography Coach:** New program will make it quick and easy for women in our community to get potentially lifesaving, preventive breast cancer screenings.
- **Nurse Family Partnership:** Nurses make weekly home visits to pregnant women and new mothers. (\$351,000)
- **School Health Program:** Mobile clinic sent to three schools in Clark-Fulton to provide primary care at no cost to students. (\$486,000)

## Healthy Food Programming

- **Fresh Produce Distribution:** Monthly program started in 2019 providing free, fresh produce to 725 patients and community members. (\$37,666)
- **School Lunch Program:** MetroHealth provides space for 284 Cleveland Metropolitan School District children from the neighborhood to eat free lunches when school is out during the summer.
- **VIDA! and Mas VIDA!:** Training for the Hispanic community to prepare fresh, healthy food with supplies, health talks and lots of hands-on practice. (\$222,3000)

## Community Sponsorships

MetroHealth provides tens of thousands of dollars in annual support for various Clark-Fulton community organizations and events such as:

- **BUILD Health Grant:** \$50,000 to partners fostering healthy homes and targeting those with asthma.
- **Clark-Fulton Mural:** \$15,000 for mural restoration.
- **Clark-Fulton Organizations:** \$50,000 in sponsorship of organizations whose missions are to improve the lives of Clark-Fulton residents.
- **La Placita:** \$25,000 for this event celebrating Hispanic culture.
- **Open Table:** Program provides mentorship, support networks and resources via a team of volunteers to support members of the Spanish-speaking community. (\$180,000)
- **RTA MetroHealth Line:** A \$4 million investment in a public transportation route crucial for Clark-Fulton residents. The line serves nearly 2 million people each year.

## Jobs & Job Training

**Construction Trades Training Program:** Trains Hispanic community members to do trades work. Those trained since 2018 are expected to be earning a combined \$2,028,000 annually.

**Direct Employment:** As of 2019, 85 Clark-Fulton residents work for the health system and earn a combined \$2,652,000 annually.

**Puerto Rican Nurse Training:** Helping Puerto Rican migrants with nursing experience to become eligible for nursing jobs in Ohio. Those trained in 2019 have a potential of earning a combined \$1,123,200 annually.

**Tri-C Access Center:** MetroHealth has committed \$1 million for this partnership with Tri-C to provide college education, job training and scholarships for residents in Clark-Fulton.

MetroHealth also recently announced a \$60 million development initiative it is overseeing on West 25th Street that calls for bringing affordable housing and other community amenities to the neighborhood. This is the biggest project ever undertaken in Clark-Fulton and a signal to others that the neighborhood is strong, and its future is promising.