

## UCC WELCOMES A NEW TENANT: ST. JAMES HEALTH CARE CLINIC

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Starting in the end of May, Saint James Health will be moving their clinic to the first floor of UCC Village, our administrative building on South 8th Street, for the next two years while they build a new anent building in the area. St. James Health is a Federally Qualified Health Center providing full spectrum quality primary care, including pediatric care, vaccines for adults and children, childhood asthma program, childhood lead testing, adult care, gynecology, pre-employment exams, diabetes control program, nutritional education, and health education.

### The clinic will be open from Monday – Friday, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm.

They accept all insurance/Medicaid/Medicare.

Discounts are available based on income and family size

Appointments and Walk-ins Welcome

Call: 973-789-8111

When calling please let staff know you are calling to make an appointment for the new West Ward Health Center

We are happy to share our space with them and to be able to do our part to provide accessible health care to the community. We look forward to collaborating with St. James Health on a series of screenings and workshops. [diabetes, blood pressure, obesity, asthma, lead testing]



United Community Corporation helps empower all members of our community to achieve economic self-sufficiency by providing a range of supportive services. We continue to expand and improve our services, which include an emergency shelter with case management; a program for seniors; low-income housing; and a range of high-quality afterschool and summer camp programs for youth.

#### Please contact us at 973-642-0181

for more information about any of our services. We are always open to new partnerships and collaborations to aid in fulfilling our mission to help lift low-income residents out of poverty and to improve the quality of their lives in every way we can.

You can also contact us if you are interested in volunteering – we welcome your help in better serving the community!

# UNITED COMMUNITY CORPORATION SPRING 2019 A LOT IS BLOOMING!



United Community Corporation has a 55 year history of helping thousands of local residents to become self-supporting while enhancing their quality of life and standard of living. We are deeply committed to helping to improve the health of the community, and are pleased to announce several ways that we are expanding our services and programs to achieve that goal.

### WE'RE WORKING WITH **AmeriCorps VISTA**

TO HELP US BETTER SERVE **OUR COMMUNITY** 



Our application to the AmeriCorps VISTA National Service Program was recently accepted, and the New Jersey State office will be helping to provide UCC with five VISTA members over the coming year. We are thrilled to be participating in this exceptional national community service program. Since 1965 over 220,000 VISTA members have served with the mission to strengthen organizations that alleviate poverty.

We do a lot for our clients and neighbors, but we know there is much more we can be doing and we want the community's involvement in how we can better serve them. To that end, the initial task for the VISTA members will be to help us in designing and implementing a Community Needs Assessment (CNA), an important tool that helps organizations to determine the needs of their constituents and to detect any gaps between current services and unmet needs. The results of this survey will provide detailed information and guidelines for a UCC Development Plan that will readjust and expand to better meet community needs. The Community Needs Assessment will serve as the foundation for a permanent UCC system to gauge community needs on an ongoing basis, so that long after the AmeriCorps VISTA service ends, we can continue to help and empower the lowincome Newark population UCC was created to serve

### **WE'VE FORMED** A NEW PARTNERSHIP TO PROVIDE FREE **HEALTHY PRODUCE ON** A WEEKLY BASIS





Table to Table is a local, community-based food rescue program that picks up fresh, nutritious food from supermarkets, restaurants, and other food distributors that is still good to eat but would otherwise be wasted and delivers it to organizations that feed hungry people throughout northeast NJ.

United Community Corporation has been partnering with Table to Table since February, when we collaborated to launch a fresh produce market at West Side High School. The program has proven popular right from the start. Each Friday, 5 pallets of exquisite fruits and vegetables are delivered to the school, and about 250 families and individuals are able to choose and bring home an assortment of fresh healthful produce typically out of reach for lower income and working class families

### A GREATLY EXPANDED **FOOD PANTRY**

In order to better serve the community, UCC has significantly increased the number of locations for our Food Pantry.





Because St. James Health will be on the first floor of UCC Village for the next two years, we will be offering the food pantry at Champion House, our transitional housing facility, located at

We have expanded our popular food pantry, which offers monthly



933 South 17th Street. Pantry hours are Monday - Thursday from 10 am – 3 pm.

We also have greatly expanded other food pantry locations at schools, churches and community centers throughout Newark!

To access the food pantry, you must bring:

Government ID, Social Security card, proof of recent residency (lease, mail addressed to you, library card, proof of income). If you are not receiving income, you must fill out a zero-income verification form. If you are currently without a government ID, we can provide you with one complimentary food package and refer you to our case management team, who can assist you in applying for new identification documents.

Please contact Yahaira Rodriguez at 973-642-0181 x3177 for more information.