



# RURAL PARISH CLINIC – DENTAL

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*“Lord, when did we see you sick? Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of these least ones, you did it to me.” (Matthew 25:39)*



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# RURAL PARISH CLINIC DENTAL TEAM

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**Katie Leverich, RDH, BS**  
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**Dental Clinic Coordinator**



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**Assistant Dental Coordinator**



# Mission Statement



Drawing from the legacy of the Rural Parish Workers of Christ the King, the Rural Parish Clinic seeks to meet the medical, dental, social, emotional, and spiritual needs of uninsured residents, regardless of faith, in rural Missouri.



# RURAL PARISH CLINIC HISTORY AND OPERATIONS

- 501c3 established in 2019-medical clinic founded
- Dental clinic founded in 2020
- Served the first dental patients January 2021
- Funded by donations, corporate giving, and private grants
- Care provided by 90 dental volunteers
- 3 staff members manage day to day operations
- Independent corporation



**Dr. John Landgraf**  
**Founding Director and Director Emeritus**

# WHY DO WE TARGET RURAL COMMUNITIES?

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- Shortage of dentist
- 7% higher rate of ER visits in rural counties due to dental complaints compared to urban counties (41% do not have insurance)
- Higher rate of dental decay (only 3.1% receive fluoridated water through public water system)
- Transportation barriers limits travel capabilities

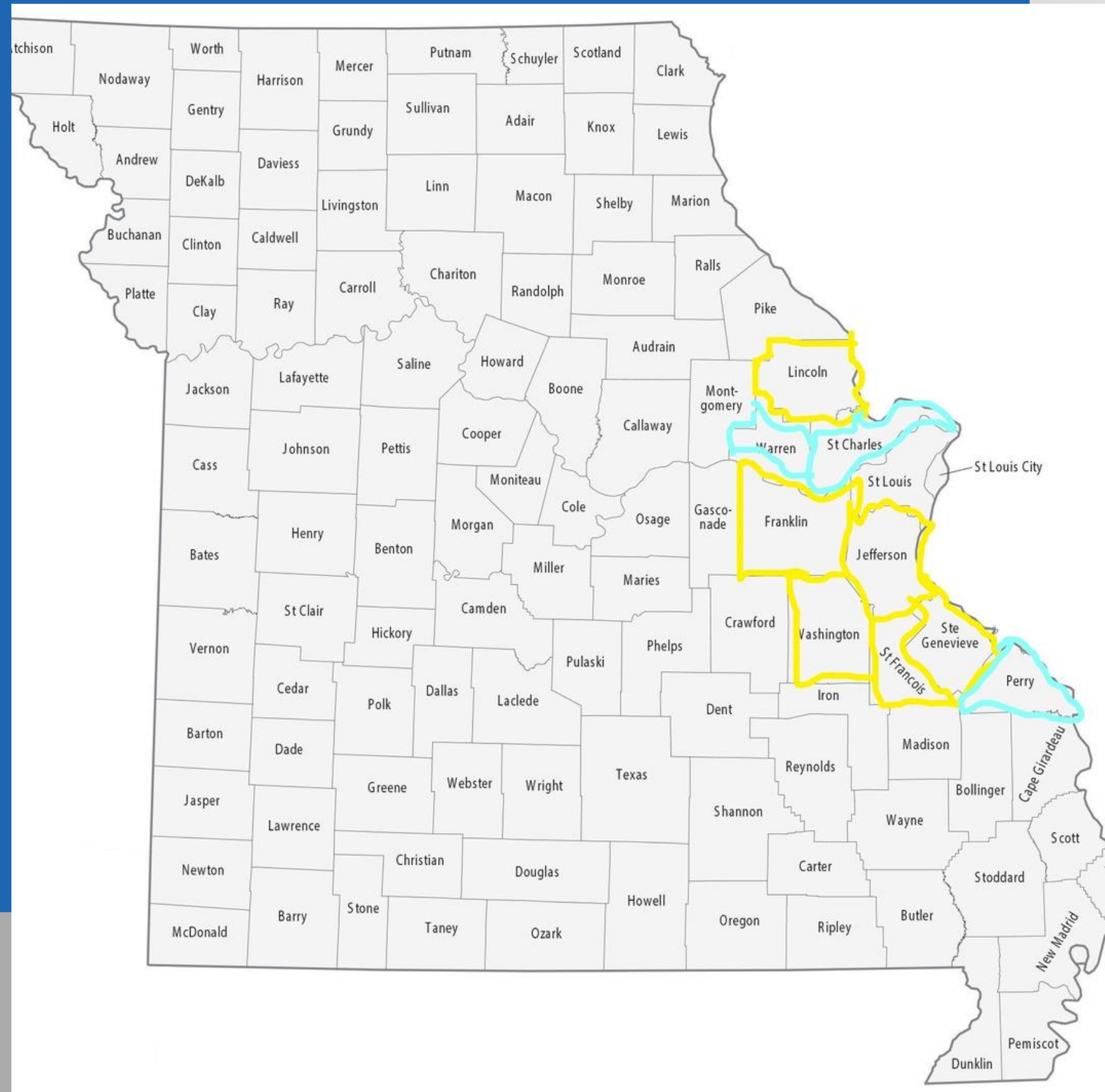
\*\*\*According to Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services\*\*\*





## WHERE DOES RURAL PARISH CLINIC SERVE?

- Washington County
- Franklin County
- Jefferson County
- St. Francois County
- Ste. Genevieve County
- Lincoln County













## WHO QUALIFIES FOR DENTAL CARE?

- Below 200% federal poverty level
- No dental insurance
- Must be 16 or older

**RURAL PARISH CLINIC**  
**2025 INCOME GUIDELINES (HOUSEHOLD INCOME)**

	<u>100%</u>	<u>200%</u>
	\$15,650	\$31,300
	\$21,150	\$42,300
	\$26,650	\$53,300
	\$32,150	\$64,300
	\$37,650	\$75,300
	\$43,150	\$86,300
	\$48,650	\$97,300
	\$54,150	\$108,300
	+\$5,500	+\$11,000



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# WHAT DENTAL SERVICES ARE OFFERED?

- Comprehensive exams
- Preventative and periodontal care
- Patient education
- Extractions
- Fillings
- Full and partial dentures
- Recare as needed
- Emergency exams for established patients



**\*\*\* ALL SERVICES ARE FREE TO QUALIFYING PATIENTS \*\*\*\***





# RURAL PARISH CLINIC LOGISTICS

- Serves 2-3 sites each month
- Average 10-12 clinic days per month
- Housed in Washington, Missouri
- Driven by volunteer CDL drivers and support team
- 2nd SUV supports clinic with mobile kit for denture procedures one day each month





**396 LIFE CHANGING GIFTS**



# VETERANS IN MISSOURI

\*\*\*Data shared by Missouri Coalition of Oral Health\*\*\*

- More than 85% of Veteran Health Administration enrollees are not eligible for dental care coverage.
- Veterans have a greater risk for chronic diseases and disabilities
- 13.1% of veterans live in a **rural** county

## Rural MO Veterans

- Edentulism 19%
- Heart disease 17%
- Diabetes 20%
- Uninsured 7%

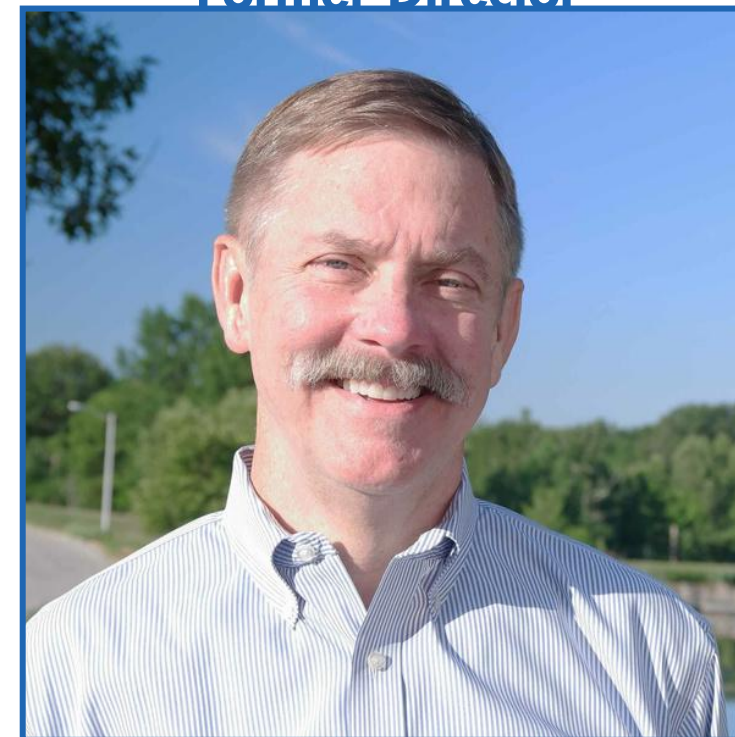


# VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

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**Dr. Michael  
Faddis**  
Former Director



**Dr. Mark McCarthy**  
RPC Dental  
Director



**Dr. Angela  
Fitzpatrick**

# HOW CAN WE HELP VETERANS AND HOW CAN YOU HELP THE RURAL PARISH CLINIC?

- Partnerships
- Volunteer
- Donate
- Pray
- Patient Referral



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