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## Clinic Awarded Grant to Provide Services in Morgan County

Katy Trail Community Health Center recently received a three-year grant that will be used in the development of a full time clinic in Morgan County.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services awarded the health center a grant under the Section 330 of the Public Health Service Act for expanding services in the Morgan County area. The grant will provide \$358,333 in 2011 and \$650,000 in 2012 to help develop primary care services and dental services in year two.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services had 850 applications for grants this year and a very small number were approved. Applicants were warned that less than 10% of the grants were going to be approved this year. Katy Trail Community Health received one of the 67 grants approved nationwide.

The grant will transition the part-time Citizens for Health and Wellness Community Clinic to a satellite clinic of Katy Trail Community Health in Versailles, Missouri. "This is good news for Morgan County. The Citizens for Health and Wellness and Katy Trail Community Health have been working for four years on this project and deserve congratulations," stated Rodney Schad, State Representative for District 115.

Katy Trail Community Health is located in Sedalia and currently has one other satellite location in Warsaw, Missouri. "Many factors hinder the ability of individuals and families to access quality health care in Morgan County and this grant will improve health care access for the residents," added Chris Stewart, CEO of Katy Trail Community Health.

The grant money will go to increase the number of medical providers at this location for health, behavioral health, and dental services. The project will result in a full-time clinic with 20 staff including 4 medical providers when fully operational. "I am so excited for this grant because it will allow for us to offer Morgan County residents with a patient centered medical home," added Stewart.

"Every day in our clinics I witness the value of having a health care home," said Randal Hamric, M.D. Medical Director, Katy Trail Community Health. "When people have a place to go for regular care, they use it and stay healthier."

Katy Trail Community Health is a Federally Qualified Health Center serving west-central Missouri with comprehensive health, behavioral health and dental services. We accept most health insurance, Medicaid, Medicare and offer a sliding fee discount to eligible patients. KTCH is focused on improving health outcomes for its patients as well as building healthy communities.