



Access Care of Coastal Texas, Inc.

Education, testing, care and support services for HIV-affected residents in Galveston, Brazoria & Matagorda Counties

February 2016

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ACCT will be testing at 23rd St. Station on Monday, February 1st from 5 – 7 p.m.
- ACCT will be testing at Lafitte’s Bar on Tuesday, February 2nd from 5 – 7 p.m.
- The first C.A.B. meeting of the year is Thursday, January 28th
- Lee’s Art Lesson this month will be on Thursday, February 11th at 11 a.m. We will be making Valentines for the big day on Sunday.
- The Houston Volunteer Lawyers will be here on Thursday, February 18th. Please call to make an appointment.

RESTAURANT WEEK!

The fifth annual Galveston.com Restaurant Week was a huge success. 33 restaurants participated and donated a lunch for our “Friends Feeding Friends” Program. The following restaurants will be hosting a lunch over the next several months: **Nono Tony’s, Saltwater Grill, Sky Bar, Gumbo Bar, Gumbo Diner, Rudy & Paco’s, Gaido’s, Nick’s, Pelican Club, Riondo’s, Shearn’s, and Waterman’s.**

ATTENTION CLIENTS

All clients will be getting a call or a letter from ACCT to update your file. To stay active and receive services you MUST update when called.

PROCEDURE TO RECEIVE CO-PAYS ASSISTANCE FOR DOCTOR’S APPOINTMENTS

Client must bring in appointment slip with the Dr.’s name or Medical department Designation, appointment date, time and location of clinic visit prior to the appointment. Client must verify with the medical providers’ office or insurance company the exact amount of their co-pay for this visit. Client is advised to ask at the time of making the appointment what the copay amount will be for the scheduled appointment. If the amount varies on the paperwork, the client may be denied services by the medical provider unless the fee is paid by the client.

Vouchers and appointment slips may be faxed or mailed between ACCT and the Client.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL CO-PAY VOUCHERS BE FAXED TO MEDICAL PROVIDERS OFFICES.

HELP! WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for reliable volunteers to help in the food pantry the last two weeks of the month. If you are flexible and can help stock shelves and put pantries together, please call Darron at 409-763-2437.

FREE HIV TESTING

ACCT offers free anonymous testing every day during regular business hours. Knowledge is power! Get tested today.

BERING DENTAL

There will be agency van transportation to Bering Dental on Friday, February 5th. There will not be a 2nd trip in February. However, starting in March, trips will be on the 1st and 3rd Fridays every month. Bering requires you to make your own appointment so call the clinic at 713-524-7933. Tell them that you will be using ACCT for transportation.

SUPPORT GROUP

The HIV Support Group for individuals meets every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 12:30.

“FRIENDS FEEDING FRIENDS”

We serve clients and a guest lunch every Thursday at noon. It is \$100 to sponsor a lunch, and we feed approximately 50 people each week. If you would like to donate a main dish, we can fill in with a salad and sides or you can donate a lunch, cook or help out. Please call ACCT at 409-763-2437 to volunteer.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

- Super Newsletter team Val, George, newbie Eve & stamper Joe!
- V.J. for the perfect huge pans of Lasagna and Chicken Alfredo!
- Brack's group from Tideway fantastic Tuscan Soup, always tasty salad and garlic bread!
- Trinity ladies for the yummy ham, our favorite tator tots, mixed veggies, great

salad and both brownies and cake for dessert! They always spoil us!

- Trish McDaniels for canned goods and plastic utensils!
- Chris Mills for lots of great men's clothes and Karen Waterman for a very nice coffee maker and perfect women's clothes!
- Kaye White for lots of men's & women's clothing

ABOVE & BEYOND

\$500

Susan Milligan

\$250

Peter Moore

\$250

23rd St. Station

\$200

Anonymous

\$100

For lunches

Cheryl Mogridge
Robert Steele

WISH LIST

- We are still accepting “gently” used clothing, shoes and clothes hangers.
- Pet food is always welcome for our client's cats and dogs.
- Cleaning supplies for our clients especially antibacterial soaps and bleach.
- We have a small “lending” library so any books or magazines you would care to donate would be greatly appreciated.