

# Value of the 340B Program

## Saint Agnes Medical Center – Fresno, California

**THE HOSPITAL:** Saint Agnes Medical Center (SAMC) is a Catholic healthcare ministry, not-for-profit hospital with 436 acute care beds, located in the city of Fresno, California. SAMC serves the community members of Fresno, Madera, Kings, and Tulare counties. SAMC's 2,533 staff and 902 active volunteers work diligently to serve the needs of 1.1 million patrons in its service area. Our growth continues with Saint Agnes Care, a nonprofit subsidiary of Saint Agnes Medical Center comprised of primary, specialty and urgent care clinics, which now includes a network of more than 80 providers at 20 locations in Fresno and Clovis.

Saint Agnes Medical Center qualifies for the 340B program, which provides significant care to the vulnerable population, including **\$27,055,279** in total community benefit during the last fiscal year.

### THE BENEFITS OF THE 340B PROGRAM:

#### Maintenance of Vital Healthcare Services

- Access to 24/7 emergency services
- Continued maintenance and support for our urgent care centers
- Continued maintenance and growth of our provider network and residency clinic
- Health care enrollment assistance to more than 1500 people annually
- Continued maintenance and support health profession education for nursing and other professions
- Saint Agnes Health Hub support for health care navigation assistance and social service linkages

#### Support and Nourishment of Community Health Programs

- Safe haven for more than 100 women and children daily at the Holy Cross Center for Women
- Fully subsidized Holy Cross Clinic, offering no-cost health and dental services for homeless, uninsured and underinsured
- Junior Enrichment programs and Cancer Survivor Support for children and adolescents
- Free support care for patients and family members including heart health, chronic diseases, grief counseling, smoking cessation, diabetes management and prevention, ostomy and wound care
- Housing and transportation to more than 2,000 people
- Baby-Friendly services to new moms and families
- SAMC Community Grant program – supporting school health, youth resilience, community building, mobile clinics, and higher education

### IMPACT IF THE PROGRAM WAS SCALED BACK:

- Reduction of Provider Network and Urgent Care Centers: These two essential pieces of our organization form the basis for comprehensive and cost-effective care for our patient population. Reduction in urgent care access will result in increased and more costly visits to the Emergency Department.
- Potential reduction to profession education support in an area that is already medically underserved
- Negative impact on patient care due to lessened resources to reinvest in facilities, equipment, workforce and other strategic initiatives.