

## **DOORS FLING OPEN FOR OPEN DOOR FAMILY MEDICAL CENTERS' NEW PORT CHESTER SITE**

The wait is over and on Saturday April 8 Open Door Family Medical Centers invites the community, friends old and new, neighbors, patients and passers-by to join in the celebration as the official ribbon will be cut and doors open at Open Doors new home at 5 Grace Church Street in Port Chester.

From 10-2 Open Door will welcome one and all – to tour the new 25,000 square foot facility in the heart of Port Chester. Free screenings, tours, face painting, jugglers, clowns, games and great music are just some of the events that will take place during the day-long celebration.

“We’ve been looking forward to this day for a very long time,” says Lindsay Farrell, president & CEO of the not-for-profit community health center. “We opened our first offices in this area - in Rye Brook - in 1996 but soon realized that we were a bit too far away for most of our patients. We also quickly outgrew that space. 5 Grace Church Street now becomes Open Door’s largest facility – and we anticipate that we will keep it filled and bustling!”

The Port Chester office provides full comprehensive preventive medical care. Simply translated services include: Family Medicine; OB/GYN; Pre & Post Natal Care; Pediatrics; Dental; Optometry; and Podiatry. Patients are able to receive screenings and treatment for Diabetes; Asthma; HIV/AIDS; Hyper-Tension and a wide range of other chronic, preventable and treatable conditions.

In addition to the 5 Grace Church Street office, Open Door has offices in Ossining, Sleepy Hollow, Mount Kisco and runs two school based health centers at the Edison Elementary and Kennedy Magnet School, also in Port Chester.

“We hope everyone will come out to celebrate with us and to explore our new facility,” says Desta Lakew, Director of Marketing for Open Door. “Our mission is to provide quality medical care to the community, particularly our neighbors who may not have adequate insurance. It’s all about building stronger communities – and we certainly wouldn’t be here without the strong support and commitment of the entire Port Chester and Rye Community.”

Funding for the Open Door Family Medical Centers’ new Port Chester offices was provided in part by the Community Development Block Grant Program, administered by the Westchester County Department of Planning.

Tours of the offices available upon request, call Desta Lakew, Director of Development at 914-502-1416.

Confirmed VIPs present for interviews day of event include: Lindsay Farrell, Open Door President & CEO; State Senator Suzi Oppenheimer, State Assemblyman George Latimer, Westchester County Legislator Marty Rogowsky, Martha Lopez, Director of the Office for Hispanic Affairs (Westchester County), Mayor Logan (Port Chester); Mayor Otis (Rye); and patients (**advance request required for HIPAA regulations**).