

**JOHN F. KENNEDY SCHOOL STUDENTS GIVE BACK ON GLOBAL YOUTH SERVICE DAY
WITH HELP FROM OPEN DOOR'S SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS**

Open Door Family Medical Centers has teamed up with OASIS: Outreach, Advancing, Strengthening and Improving Students and John F. Kennedy Magnet School's after school academic enrichment program for a special health-focused community service project in recognition of Global Youth Service Day on Friday, April 15. With support from Open Door's Community HealthCorps AmeriCorps members, over 200 students participating in the OASIS program will work together creating projects designed to promote healthy living in the Port Chester community. For more information about Global Youth Service Day, visit <http://gysd.org/>.

OASIS is an extended day academic enrichment program for students in Port Chester Elementary Schools designed for students to explore their creative, athletic and intellectual abilities beyond the classroom. During the two-hour OASIS sessions, students receive extra help with homework assignments and participate in activities led by local professionals including performing and fine artists, doctors and scientists. On Global Youth Service Day, activities planned for OASIS students include decorating brown paper bags with wellness messages to be delivered to community members who receive assistance from Meals on Wheels, creating posters demonstrating healthy lifestyles to be hung around JFK School, and physical fitness activities focusing on team building and creating a safe and inclusive community.

About Global Youth Service Day

Global Youth Service Day (GYSD) is an annual campaign that celebrates and mobilizes the millions of children and youth who improve their communities each day of the year through service and service-learning. Established in 1988, Global Youth Service Day is the largest service event in the world, and the only day of service dedicated to children and youth. GYSD is celebrated each year in over 100 countries.

About Open Door Family Medical Centers

Open Door has received the highest Recognition as a Patient-Centered Medical Home™ (PPC-PCMH™) from the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA). This ranking distinguishes them from medical practices across the nation as less than 12% are presently eligible to achieve this advanced standing. For 39 years, the federally qualified community health center serves a multi-cultural community and has provided top quality medical, dental care and social services to the Westchester community, particularly the economically disadvantaged. Open Door has four centers in Westchester located in Ossining, Port Chester, Mt. Kisco and Sleepy Hollow. In addition, Open Door operates five school-based health centers in Port Chester at The Edison Elementary School, Park Avenue School, Kennedy Magnet School, Port Chester Middle School and Port Chester High School. In 2010, 43,505 patients were treated at Open Door, making 170,061 patient visits. Over 13,842 children were treated during that same year. Funding for Open Door Family Medical Centers comes from local, state and federal grants as well as private foundations and individuals.



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