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Doing for others Martin Luther King Jr. example; doctors, nurses give back

> BY CARI E. HACHMANN THE PORTLAND OBSERVER Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. believed, "Life's most persistent and urgent question is: "What are you doing for others?"



Luther King, Jr.

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTE

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Dr. Jill Ginsberg sees patients and helps run the free community health clinic North by Northeast at 3030 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Ginsberg along with other volunteer physicians, nurse-practitioners and staff give up hours each week from their regular day jobs to work at the clinic at night at no cost for patients in need. In the spirit of giving back to the community and taking action for social justice, the volunteer physicians and staff at the North by Northeast Community Health Center are offering not just a day of service, but as a collective, an entire year's worth.

Two-dozen doctors, along with several nurse-practi-

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Free Medical for Hard Times

Clinic opens doors to flux of uninsured

BY CARI HATCHMANN THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

Despite the swirling debate around medical health care, there is one sure bet for the uninsured in parts of north and northeast Portland; free medical services offered through the North by Northeast Community Health Center. With the recession still lingering, individuals and families without health insurance are walking in greater numbers through the doors of the community clinic at 3030 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., with most patients seeking chronic disease management, primarily for diabetes and hypertension.

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