Hancock Health Clinic is a vital resource to its neighbors. Nearly 80 percent of the patients it serves have a household income of less than $35,000; many are uninsured and look to the clinic as their primary source of health care. Often, more clients will visit the walk-in clinic in an afternoon than the staff can serve.

In fiscal year 2017, St. Anthony’s Medical Center provided a grant for more than $23,000 that enabled the clinic to expand its services. These include the addition of women’s health care services, including mobile mammogram visits; and the addition of a counselor to provide mental health services.

The clinic, which serves the Hancock Place School District, is located in the same building as the district’s administrative offices at 9417 S. Broadway.

“This is an economically depressed area that was hit particularly hard by the 1993 flood in terms of its tax base,” said Dave Campbell, M.D., president and CEO of the not-for-profit Institute for Family Medicine (IFM), which operates the clinic.

The Hancock grant is just one aspect of St. Anthony’s ongoing work with the community in response to its Community Health Needs Assessment. A year earlier, St. Anthony’s provided a $13,340 grant that allowed the IFM to expand the hours of the Hancock School-based Community Clinic from two half-days per week to three half-days each week.

That extra day led to a 20-percent increase in the number of patients served. The clinic serves students and staff of the Hancock Place School District and residents of the 63125 ZIP code at no expense to patients.

Charity Care
Includes the actual cost of providing free or discounted care to persons who cannot afford to pay and who are not eligible for public programs. Charity care does not include bad debt.
Benefit: $2,491,000

Community Outreach Services
Includes activities carried out to improve community health and services that are subsidized because they are needed in the community. Examples: education, support groups, health screenings, and immunizations.
Benefit: $300,000

Health Professionals
Education and Research
Includes the cost of providing clinical placement for physicians, nurses and other health professionals plus the costs of the nursing anesthesia, EMS and radiology schools.
Benefit: $135,000

Cash, In-Kind Donations, Workforce Enhancement and Fundraising
Includes cash, in-kind donations, fundraising costs, food & supplies to shelters, use of Mercy rooms and facilities, donated office space and recruitment of health professionals in medically underserved areas.
Benefit: $119,000

Medicaid Subsidies
Includes the actual unpaid cost of providing care to Medicaid patients and represents the shortfall between cost of care and the payments received by the government.
Benefit: $8,142,000