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# Thank you for completing your organization's 2021 Community Star Nominee Questionnaire!

## Overview

Here is a copy of your organization's responses for your records. All nominations will be reviewed and evaluated by members of NOSORH's Community Star Selection Committee. One Community Star will be selected per state. If you are selected as your state's Community Star, I will work with you to schedule an interview so that we can develop your outstanding story to share in our annual book of Community Stars released on Thursday, November 18, 2021.

If you have any questions, please reach out to NRHD Community Star Project Coordinator, Brea Corsaro at [bcorsaro@powerofrural.org](mailto:bcorsaro@powerofrural.org).

## Your Organization's Information

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## Organization or Project Website

<https://www.communihealth.org>

Please describe in as much detail as possible, the mission of the organization and the work it does in relation to rural health?

Mission: To provide access to affordable, quality health care services.

Incorporated in 2002, Morehouse Community Medical Centers, Inc. (MCMC) provides comprehensive primary care services to the residents of three north central Louisiana parishes including Morehouse, Ouachita, and Union at clinics and school-based health centers and to a small section of Caddo Parish through a mobile medical/dental van. A section 330-funded FQHC, MCMC provides access to high quality, affordable, primary care, dental/oral health, pharmacy, behavioral health, enabling services, and comprehensive outreach to people of all ages regardless of their financial or insurance status thereby enhancing the quality of life for all area

residents. In particular, MCMC's clinic sites serve the uninsured and underinsured, providing a comprehensive, coordinated set of services. MCMC's Board has continually evaluated the health needs and barriers to care in the community and has expanded its service delivery capacity from one site in Bastrop, LA serving Morehouse Parish, to twelve service delivery locations (five medical clinics, five school-based health centers, one dental site and one mobile van) serving four Louisiana parishes.

If you have been nominated as a consortium, what was the catalyst that inspired the group to form?

Please provide details on each consortium member (if applicable) including each collaborator's organization and the nature of their work?

What is the impact of your organization/consortium on your community of the rural populations served by its efforts?

MCMC employs 100+ employees. MCMC provided 12,451 patients with 40,749 encounters in 2020. Since COVID started we have conducted 14,901 covid tests and administered 5,964 vaccines. We have invested in our rural communities by building state of the art facilities. In 2018, we built a 6,000 sq ft medical, dental and behavioral health center in rural Union Parish (Marion, LA) with a total project budget of \$1,000,000; in 2019 we built a 2,000 sq ft school based health center in rural Union Parish (Farmerville, LA) with a budget of \$472,500; and are currently building 41,000 sq ft state of the art medical, dental, behavioral health facility with on-site lab, radiology and pharmacy services that includes a temporary low acuity medical shelter for disaster response in rural Morehouse Parish (Bastrop, LA) with a total project budget of \$14,000,000.

Has your organization or consortium accessed, benefited from, or worked directly with your State Office of Rural Health?

Yes, our organization was started with state grants from the state office of rural health.

Is your organization a HRSA, Federal Office of Rural Health Policy Grantee? If yes, which grant program? If Yes, which one?

Yes

330 Program (FQHC)