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### ACTIVITY REPORT

March, 2010  
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Rides by Category:  
Jobs 22,926

Total Rides  
Provided: 22,926

Total Clients: 2,686

Dear Matt,

Welcome to the May 2010 *Journey*, the monthly newsletter of the Everybody Rides Metro Foundation. Everybody Rides Metro exists to help social service agencies serve their clients. We take this opportunity to share with you the care and concern each agency provides to their community.

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## Partner Spotlight on Health Resource Center

The Health Resource Center of Cincinnati, Inc. (HRC) recently moved to 40 East McMicken in Over-The-Rhine, joining the McMicken Health Collaborative, which is developing a service coordination site for the homeless.

Homeless clients or those at-risk of homelessness with co-occurring disorders of mental illness and substance abuse and who do not have insurance face much less success in accessing effective treatment services than those clients who possess entitlements. Their clients are homeless or at risk of homelessness and have multiple physical, emotional, and mental disorders. Because of their transportation issues, substance abuse, and or/ recurring mental health illnesses, the clients they serve have tremendous difficulties accessing traditional health care services. The clinic currently service some 472 clients who have primary medical needs, mental health, and substance abuse care needs. The clinic serves these clients by appointment and walk-in service.



**Total Reimbursed to Agencies: \$25,433.80**  
(includes transfers reimbursed)

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PARTNER?**

**OR, IF ALREADY A PARTNER, INTERESTED IN BEING FEATURED IN *THE JOURNEY?***

We would love to speak with you further about what your organization does and how Everybody Rides Metro can help you (or has already helped you) with your work. Please contact Rita Potts at 513-632-7609. [Click here to email Rita.](#)

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"96% of the clients are below poverty level and really need the Everybody Rides Metro tokens. The tokens were used to send people to specialty clinics and University Hospital," stated Mary Elizabeth Earle, Executive Director.

The HRC interacts and collaborates with an extensive network of community providers serving homeless and very low-income individuals. Its most productive collaboration is with the Cincinnati Health Network Health Care for the Homeless (CHN). The network has nine partner agencies who maintain close association with Cincinnati's Continuum of Care. HRC is able to provide wrap around services linking mental health and substance abuse services with housing, emergency social services, and transitional residential substance abuse services.

## Partner Spotlight on Jewish Vocational Center



The Jewish Vocational Service mission is to empower individuals to increase self-sufficiency, independence, and inclusion through a continuum of services that enriches lives. Consistent with Jewish values, JVS serves the entire community without regard to religious affiliation or belief, while remaining committed to providing their services to the Jewish community.

The key services offered at Jewish Vocational include assessment services, academic and college services, work adjustment services, employment services, senior and social/recreational services, and business services.

When ERM visited the Jewish Vocational Service the Work Center was a main part of the tour.

The Work Center is a factory setting where adults with disabilities work to improve their skills and behaviors while producing quality work for businesses in Southwestern Ohio and Northern Kentucky. Types of work

include: assembly, collating, packaging, mailing, and hand correction work.



Keith Hammond, the work adjustment manager, stated, "JVS is so grateful for the help to get the clients back and forth for employment." Mark Smith, Community Specialist stated, "The help received from Everybody Rides Metro helps clients have opportunities to enrich their lives and integrate into the community."

## EXTRAORDINARY GIFT

After 32 years with a federal agency, an employee who was retiring had accumulated multiple tokens and certificates and decided to donate them to charity.

This employee heard about Everybody Rides Metro and wanted to donate the tokens and certificates to be used by various agencies.

ERM Director Joe Curry met the employee to express appreciation and said, "This generous gift will provide over 2,000 rides for people in need."

**Thank You,  
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