

## Patient James Hardaway Gives Thanks for Coweta Samaritan Clinic

Dear Friends,

I am so grateful to be able to tell you how Coweta Samaritan Clinic has changed my life.

I'm 55 years old, and I'm a struggling man. For most of my life, I worked construction with my father. We laid concrete all around Atlanta. Then I got diabetes and got too sick to work. I lived with family here for a while, but they weren't able to keep me. I was afraid I was going to be homeless. I was losing sight in my left eye and having trouble with my feet from the diabetes.

I had no insurance or disability and no transportation, so I walked to Piedmont Newnan Hospital to get some help. That's how Amy [Community Case Worker], Rhonda [Nurse Practitioner], and Coweta Samaritan came into my life two years ago. They took care of me.

Amy got me some help to stay in a motel and brought me food and medicine until I could get a place in a boarding house here in Newnan. Rhonda got me on insulin, and Dr. Mehta [volunteer provider] took off a toe on my left foot. Deena [Medical Assistant] and Brett [Phlebotomist] even came to my boarding house two times every week to clean my wound for me. Since then, Amy helped me find other help from Bridging the Gap. Peggie [Nurse Administrator] connected me to a specialist so I can get treatment for my right eye. Between my appointments, they call from the Clinic and check up on me.

I'm still sick, and I have a long way to go to recover, but I'm hoping to get well enough to work again somehow. I put my whole trust in Coweta Samaritan Clinic. They've been there 1,000% for me.

I can't thank you enough for giving to Coweta Samaritan Clinic. This Thanksgiving, I am grateful for you.

James Hardaway