"Medical Services in Reach, Freedom Hill Health Center"

Outline of Need:

In a space split between the Princeville Town Hall and the Tarboro Women's Center, the Carolina Family Health Centers, Inc. desired a more efficient and better equipped facility to provide a better service to their patients through the Freedom Hill Community Health Center. Edgecombe County is a federally designated Health Professional Shortage Area for medical, dental, and behavioral services. The Center needed the benefit on one location with professional staffing to provide these services.

How Rural Development Helped:

Through the USDA, Rural Development Community Facilities Program, Carolina Family Health Center, Inc. received a low interest loan of \$2,100,000



Old Freedom Hill Health Center

along with a \$75,000 grant from the NC Office of Rural Health, and a \$50,000 grant from the NC Rural Center. Rural Development's funding allowed the Health Center to construct a "state of the art" facility which would provide full service health benefits for the residents within the community.

The Results:

This 9,250 square foot primary health care facility was dedicated to the 8,693 residents without health insurance and 17,451 Medicaid patients of Edgecombe County. In an effort to provide better services to the community, this facility now operates with ten medical treatment rooms, four dental operatories, a medical and dental laboratory, a pharmacy, and two educational and behavioral health consultation rooms. The Freedom Hill Community Health Center displays Rural Development's commitment to providing affordable, yet high quality health care to the residents of Princeville and the surrounding rural area.



New Freedom Hill Health Center

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