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## **St. Vincent de Paul Georgia Announces Opening of New Community Pharmacy Servicing Patients Statewide**

**ATLANTA (February 1, 2021)** – St. Vincent de Paul Georgia (SVdP Georgia), a nonprofit agency dedicated to preventing homelessness, fighting hunger and changing lives, has announced the grand opening of its new Charitable Community Pharmacy located at 2050-C Chamblee Tucker Road, Atlanta, GA 30341. The new community pharmacy will provide prescription medications and wellness education for Georgians in need by providing prescribed maintenance medications to low-income individuals.

The new SVdP Georgia Community Pharmacy is a volunteer driven pharmacy with the mission to help provide maintenance medications for individuals who are unable to afford them. The pharmacy is staffed with a part-time pharmacist who is assisted by volunteer pharmacist who screen clients for eligibility, make referrals, stock shelves, and help ship medications to clients.

“Our charitable pharmacy fills a critical need for medication access for Georgians who are struggling to afford life-saving prescription drugs,” said Pat McNulty, Chief Executive Officer of SVdP Georgia. Georgians wanting service do not have to be poor by federal poverty standards to get help from the pharmacy. We hope to serve many individuals in need of medication to continue taking care of our neighbors.”

The SVdP Georgia Community Pharmacy will provide maintenance medications to address conditions such as diabetes, cardiovascular, mental health and chronic conditions such as asthma and COPD.

“Many of our neighbors are making the hard choice between paying for their medication and paying their rent. This pharmacy will help allow income to be used for other necessities, while keeping them safe and healthy,” said Nichole Harris, Chief Programs Officer.

Once a patient is referred to the pharmacy, volunteer pharmacist will check to make sure they are eligible for service. Eligibility is determined based on income and expenses. The SVdP Georgia Community Pharmacy will serve eligible patients with an income no greater than 200% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) and uninsured individuals 18+ that live within the State of Georgia; as well as individuals with a valid prescription(s) for the medication needed.

Applicants can obtain additional information about eligibility requirements by visiting the St. Vincent de Paul Georgia Community Pharmacy website at [www.svdpgorgia.org/pharmacy](http://www.svdpgorgia.org/pharmacy).

Generous members of the community, as well as local medical and pharmaceutical communities, provide critical support for this program. With the support of the community, we are helping Georgians take care of their health. If you would like to make a donation towards the SVdP Georgia Community Pharmacy, please visit [www.svdpgeorgia.org/donate](http://www.svdpgeorgia.org/donate).

## **ABOUT ST. VINCENT DE PAUL GEORGIA**

Respecting the dignity of each person, St. Vincent de Paul Georgia brings hope and help to those in need so they may achieve stability and move toward self-sufficiency. Through partnerships and collaboration with others, St. Vincent de Paul Georgia offers financial, material, educational and spiritual support to develop and deliver programs and services to those in need throughout the state.

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