



April 6, 2011

## **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS VOTES TO OPPOSE CLOSING OF OTIS W. SMITH CLINIC**

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Today, the Board of Commissioners voted to oppose the closing of the Otis W. Smith Clinic located at 2600 Martin L. King, Jr. Drive. Atlanta, Georgia 30311.

Voting YES: Darnell, Edwards, Pitts, Eaves, Garner

Voting NO: Lowe, Hausmann

The majority vote was based upon Board Policy that no Fulton County resident should be denied access to quality healthcare because of age, race, ethnicity or income. The records also indicated that Grady Corporation officials have refused to give the Grady Board an explanation for its intent to close the Clinic.

I will keep you informed regarding future developments as they occur. Thank you again for all you have done to help others.

For The Children,

Emma I. Darnell, Vice-Chair, District 5  
Fulton County Board of Commissioners

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