

Share The Plate

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Of all the forms of inequality, injustice in healthcare is the most shocking and inhumane. -Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

This month's recipient of Share the Plate is Thundermist Health of South County, which is one of three Thundermist Health Centers in Rhode Island. The others are located in West Warwick and Woonsocket. Thundermist of South County has a Trans Health Access Team with medical, dental, behavioral health, and allied service professionals helping to improve access to competent healthcare for the trans community. This community includes transgender, transsexual, gender non-conforming, non-binary, genderqueer, and others. Thundermist is proactive in addressing the discrimination trans individuals face in the health care system. The team helps the whole person. Although the health center and insurance help pay for most health care, it does not assist with some of the costs trans people incur. Trans individuals often have legal expenses such as name changes. They have to pay for documents, both state and federal, to be updated to reflect changes they have made. It is these particular costs that Thundermist will use our Share the Plate donations to offset.