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Stakeholder Health Announces See2See Road Trip

2,600-Mile Journey in RV from San Diego to North Carolina: What's Working in Health

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Winston-Salem, NC — A group of curious health leaders will be hitting the road to find what's working with America's hospitals and the communities they serve. On **Sunday, November 11**, a humble Winnebago will pull away from parking lot of the American Public Health Association

meeting in San Diego and head for Loma Linda—then over to Phoenix, Dallas, Little Rock, the Delta, Memphis, Nashville, Winston-Salem, Raleigh, and finally the Atlantic Ocean.

The group's leader is Gary Gunderson, a popular speaker and author of numerous books and Vice President of FaithHealth at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center, where Stakeholder Health is housed.



Gunderson and the others will be testing the

premise: What if everything you hoped that healthcare systems and other partners was already happening? The group will be visiting the bright spots in dozens of places to see how they can spread.

Friends from other organizations—such as Well Being Trust, ReThink Health, Public Health Institute, Prevention Institute, 100 Million Healthier Lives, and the National Academies of Science Roundtable on Population Health—have helped guide the group on what to see along the way.

"We expect to learn a great deal about people who are investing their time, credibility and energy in practical work advancing health, mercy and justice in their community," said Gunderson.

The trip will **culminate on November 27 in Raleigh, NC**, at the John Hatch Lecture Series keynoted by Dr. William Barber whose preaching and organizing genius was recognized this month by the McArthur Foundation.

Stakeholder Health is learning collaboration of some 50-plus healthcare systems exploring ways to dissolve the walls between hospitals and their communities to improve health for the most vulnerable people, and to find true cost savings in the process.

Gunderson will be available for interviews during the 2+ week trip (what else will he be doing along the long stretches of highway?)

Dr. Gary Gunderson serves as Vice President for Faith and Health at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center. He is known for more than two decades of creative work in the field of faith and public health, initially at The Carter Center and Emory School of Public Health. In Memphis his ideas found ground through 600 congregational health partners showing improved outcomes including mortality, cost and dramatically lower hospitalization. He is a frequent speaker and author of several books, including *Speak Life*, *Religion and the Health of the Public*, with James Cochrane; *Leading Causes of Life*, with Larry Pray; *Boundary Leaders*; and *Deeply Woven Roots*. He serves as secretary of Stakeholder Health.

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