



**SADIE G. MAYS**  
HEALTH & REHABILITATION CENTER

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Attendees from the Dogwood Senior Center visit PruittHealth Hospice table; 2. Attendees receive screenings from WellStar nurses; 3. Intergenerational group, the Pan People Steel Band, perform Caribbean music during the health fair.  
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## ***Spirit of America Alive and Well*** **at Sadie G. Mays!**

**Atlanta** – Cooperation, community and caring were in abundance at the Sadie G. Mays Health and Rehabilitation Center on Thursday, May 25, 2017. It was the Center's 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Health Fair. Held in honor of National Nursing Home Week, the theme of the event was "*The Spirit of America*" and representatives of Caribbean, African, and African American cultures; Christian and Muslim faiths were all there. Seniors came from several high rises and senior centers throughout Metro Atlanta to take advantage of the free health screenings, information and entertainment. 175+ attendees participated in a variety of health screenings, including bone density, cholesterol, blood pressure, blood glucose, and hearing. During the health fair, attendees enjoyed international and American entertainment including the Pan People Steel Band, Griot Arts Center, and the Edieligba Dance Ensemble.

"Every year, we thank our community of supporters by providing this free health fair," said Charles Robinson, Jr., President and CEO of the non-profit, skilled nursing facility. Located in northwest Atlanta, the award-winning center was founded by Sadie Gray Mays, social worker and wife of Dr. Benjamin E. Mays and is celebrating 70 years in operation. The Sadie G. Mays Center provides skilled nursing and rehabilitative services such as physical therapy, speech therapy and occupational therapy on a short-term and long-term basis; as well as respite care and hospice care.

"We are also grateful to our sponsors and contributors who help to bring this free event to the public each year," Robinson continued. This year's sponsors included Georgia Power, Citizens Trust Bank, Fortner Communications, Tip Top Roofers, SouthEast Link, Sysco Foods Atlanta, B & S Pest Control, Felder's Photography Studio, Anonymous, Art Plumbing, Miles Johnson, MD, First Class Transportation, Miguel Stubbs, MD, Martin Luther King Jr. Drive Merchants Assoc., Steve Tran, MD, Mark Dickinson, OD, Wellness & Prevention, Inc., E.W. Bowen & Associates, Nursing Companion, LLC, PUBLIX, Applebee's(Cascade), Chili's (Camp Creek), and the Atlanta Job Corps.

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The service providers, who offered information and services free to the community, included: Wellstar Community Education & Outreach, Odyssey Family Counseling Center, Center for Diabetic Hearing, Alzheimer's Association, WalMart Vision Center (Howell Mill) & Atlanta Eye Center, City of Atlanta Watershed Management, Georgia Cares, Avon Foundation, Council on Aging, Humana, Inc., Georgia Prostate Cancer Coalition, Muslim Community (Min. Plemon El Amin), Diabetes Assoc. of Atlanta, Nurse Inc., Fulton-DeKalb Hospital Authority, Respire Massage & Spa, Riverwoods Behavioral Health, PruittHealth Hospice, Spine Align Center, Hope Center Memory Care, Atlanta Regional Commission Area Agency on Aging, and Adrienne Jones, Aging Resource Consultant.

Outstanding entertainment was provided by: Griot Arts Center featuring DJ Barake and vocalist, Najuma Mulefu, The Pan People Steel Band, Energy Fitness Trainer - John Lewis, and Theresa Howard of the Edliegba Dance Ensemble. For more information, visit [www.sgmays.org](http://www.sgmays.org).

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