



State of South Carolina
Office of the Secretary of State
The Honorable Mark Hammond

October 27, 2023

Smith Medical Clinic, Inc.
Ms. Gretchen Smith
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Via: gsmith@smithfreeclinic.org

Dear Ms. Smith:

I am happy to inform you that the Smith Medical Clinic, Inc. has been selected as a 2023 South Carolina Secretary of State "Angel." As you are probably aware, the Secretary of State annually selects organizations that represent some of the most efficient and effective charities soliciting in South Carolina. This project has been a great educational tool to inform the public on how its charitable dollars are spent. It is a great honor to be selected as one of twelve "Angels" we will recognize this year. Let me be the first to congratulate you!

This year's "Angels" will be recognized at a press conference on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in Columbia, South Carolina, in the Edgar Brown Building, Room 252. We welcome three representatives from your organization to accept this award and participate in the press conference. This announcement has grown to attract a great deal of media attention, so you may want to be prepared to speak with the media.

We ask that you not share this award information with anyone until after the press conference. Our public information director will contact your local media telling them that a charitable organization in their area will be receiving this award. At the press conference, you and the local media will be given and emailed a copy of the press release to use as needed. Photos from the event will also be emailed to you.

Please complete your registration for the event by Monday, November 13th, using the following link: [2023 Angel Ceremony](#). If you do not immediately receive confirmation of your registration, please check your spam or clutter folders. Directions to the Edgar Brown Building and parking instructions are enclosed. If you have any questions about the event or your registration, contact Kim Wickersham at 803-734-2174 or kwickersham@sos.sc.gov.

Again, congratulations. Please remember that this information is TOP SECRET until after the press conference.

Sincerely,

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