At a recent ribbon-cutting ceremony, BronxWorks inaugurated its mobile medical van, becoming one of the first organizations to offer mobile medical services targeting the street homeless population in the Bronx.

The van is part of a new initiative supported by a three-year grant from the Stavros Niarchos Foundation, to provide a more comprehensive scope of medical services to street homeless in the Bronx. Beyond providing basic medical services to individuals on the street, in parks, under bridges or wherever they are living, this vehicle offers rapid HIV and Hepatitis C testing to the street homeless. While there are several Hep-C and HIV testing services available in the Bronx, there are no programs where the testing is brought directly to the target population where they live and work on the street. The van is equipped with both specialized and basic medical equipment, strict temperature controls, and essential medical supplies to provide on-the-spot diagnosis and treatment to street homeless individuals.