Impact Update

Spring 2019

Every child matters. Every gift counts. Change a vulnerable smile today.

Happy Spring!

It has been a great start to 2019! We have treated 181 patients through 242 visits this first quarter and have visited more than twenty outreach sites to share preventative dental hygiene education and bring awareness to our clinic services. The children we visit experience the joy of interacting with our wonderful volunteers as they share proper dental hygiene techniques and healthy eating choices. Participants take home the gift of a dental hygiene goody bag to practice what they've learned at home. With your support, we are investing in their smiles and their overall health.

There are many ways to invest in the smiles of the at-risk children we see. Recently, Dr. David Smeltzer, his partners, and his talented team at Oral and Facial Surgery for Adults and Children hosted their annual bowling event benefiting KidSMILES. We are excited to learn the results later this month! You'll also read more below in "Gifts of Impact" about the impressive year end campaign for KidSMILES co-facilitated by Whiteboard Marketing and the generous dental professionals that are part of the Central Ohio Dental Forum. These are just a few examples of the many ways that people in our community can make a big difference in the lives of the at-risk children we serve. No child should have a smile that causes them pain or embarrassment. Through your giving and our services, we can give them the confidence to smile and just focus on being a kid.

Best,

Laura Zuber
Executive Director

Melinda Knapp
Clinic Manager
We are thrilled to announce that we have a new website and new email addresses! Thanks to the time and talents of the creative teams at Whiteboard Marketing and 3C Technology, we have been working toward our transition to a .org since May of 2018 and are excited to finally share the finished product. The Whiteboard Marketing Team has done a fantastic job of making our mission, programs, and services come to life on the website. We are also thankful to 3C Technologies for working with Whiteboard Marketing and KidSMILES to set up our website domain and establish our new .org emails. These two local businesses have generously donated services to us to make this a reality. We can't thank them enough for their support of our mission to help save the smiles of vulnerable children in Central Ohio!

Visit our New Website

We Have New Contact Information!

Laura Zuber
Executive Director

Melinda Knapp
Clinic Manager

Dr. Natisha Burner

Stacey Lothin
Dental Assistant

Lia DePerro
Educational Outreach Coordinator

Brittini Heminger
Dental Assistant

Laura Ginn
Administrative Assistant
Donate for Impact

The gift of a smile can come in many forms. We make it easy to give the gift of a smile to an at-risk child.

Here are ways that you can invest in the future of the children that walk through our doors to receive care. Your gift means that we can provide care for them today, tomorrow, and in the future.

- Planned gifts of stock
- Gifts through The Columbus Foundation
- Monthly or one time donations through KidSMILES PayPal Account
- Register for AmazonSmile and Kroger Community Giving programs with KidSMILES as the beneficiary
- Join our Leadership Circle
- Sponsor a Smile
- Tribute Gifts
- Gifts In-Kind (dental supplies, treasure chest toys, patient appreciation gift cards etc.)
- Volunteer to work at or attend our fundraising events.
- Corporate Matching Gifts
- Office Fundraisers
- Student Association Fundraisers

Would you like to donate the gift of your time? We have several volunteer opportunities to help with our educational outreach program.

Click on the link below to volunteer.
[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f084faea622aafe3-ymca](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f084faea622aafe3-ymca)

Gifts of Impact

KidSMILES is grateful for financial and in-kind support that we receive from individuals, companies and foundations. Those contributions, pooled together, help us to change lives and smiles every day in our community!

Thank you to the following individuals and groups for their generous support of our mission. Please click on their links to learn more about how they are helping improve dental health in Central Ohio.

- Beecher Crossing Dental Group
- Benco Dental
- Central Ohio Dental Forum
- The Columbus Blue Jackets Foundation

Above: The Central Ohio Dental Forum and Whiteboard Marketing present a check to KidSMILES from their year end
Volunteer Spotlight:
Thank You!
Two Local Groups Donate Time to Support Educational Outreach

AYLUS Group of Columbus helped pre-stuff 3,000 goody bags with information about KidSMILES for our Goody Bag Stuffing Event. The group, made up of middle and high school students in Dublin, worked over two weekends to prepare the bags.

Over thirty pre-dental and dental hygiene students came together at the clinic to stuff over 3,000 goody bags with our dental hygiene materials for at-risk students in local preschools, elementary schools and community partner groups.

Thank You for Supporting KidSMILES!

Thank you to the thirty wonderful volunteers that helped us earn over $2,000 at our 50/50 Raffle Night at the Blue Jackets game. We appreciate the time that they donated to help us sell tickets and share our mission with the Blue Jackets Fans. All the money earned that evening will go toward patient care at the clinic.

KA$H for KidSMILES Campaign. Thank you to Whiteboard Marketing for their instrumental role in developing this campaign concept! We are grateful to the many dental offices in the CODF that raised over $11,000 to help provide healthy smiles at KidSMILES in 2019!

- PDI Plastics
- Delta Dental Foundation - Brighter Futures Grant
- Dr. Howard Spector
- Dr. Steve Walton
- Whiteboard Marketing
- 3C Technology Solutions
Clinic Update: 1,000 Smiles Campaign

Help us treat over 1,000 smiles each year at KidSMILES! We provided care to at-risk children in our community through 879 appointments in 2018! We can see many more vulnerable patients with your help!

Scheduling a time to volunteer at KidSMILES is easy. We will be happy to work with you to schedule a convenient time to volunteer. Bring your team or be paired with our dental assistants or volunteer hygienists. Your 3-5 hour shift includes an orientation. You can also join our team dentist, Dr. Natisha Burner during one of her clinic days on Mondays 9am - 6pm or Wednesdays from 12pm - 8pm.

Most volunteer dental professionals earn one hour of continuing education credit, per volunteer hour. Please contact clinic manager, Melinda Knapp about volunteering today!

KidSMILES Welcomes Kailey Harned, OSU Dental Hygiene Student

We are so pleased to have added Kailey to our team this semester. Kailey joined us at the beginning of January and will be with us through April 15th. She provides dental hygiene and education to our patients on Mondays as part of her Practicum with the OSU Dental Hygiene Program. She also recently visited a local preschool as part of our educational outreach program and found that she really enjoyed teaching the students about dental health care in a classroom setting and seeing their responses to the fun, interactive games she brought.

We look forward to celebrating Kailey’s upcoming final practicum presentation and graduation from The Ohio State University!

Tribute Gifts: Supporting SMILES

Thank you to the following donors for supporting our important work of saving smiles while honoring those that they love.

In Memory of Dr. Neil Elam from
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Dean and Kay Elam
Linda LeVally-Early
Thank you for enjoying our service. Please provide us feedback and contact us with any questions or concerns.

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