



# KinderSmile

F O U N D A T I O N



*2018 annual report*

**SOWING SEEDS IN THE COMMUNITY**

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The mission of KinderSmile Foundation is to provide underserved children with access to comprehensive dental care and educate children & their families about the importance of dental hygiene.

But you already know that, right?

Because you are a part of the incredible community which KinderSmile Foundation is so grateful to serve!

Whether you are a new donor, a longtime supporter, a member of the clinical team, a prospective intern, a local dentist, a school nurse, a parent, or a friend, **thank you** for taking the time to learn more about KinderSmile Foundation, and in effect, spreading awareness about the plight of oral health inequity in New Jersey and beyond.

The simple act of learning more about the state of oral health care access in our State helps to shed light on the steps we can take to improve dental care in our community. The epidemic of dental disease is preventable, and it starts with sowing the seeds of knowledge and nurturing community partnerships that can connect families to the right resources.

It is my pleasure to share the results of KinderSmile Foundation's efforts to do just that in 2018.

**Nicole McGrath-Barnes, DDS, FACD**  
President & CEO

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# Thank you for your support!

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# Grateful for Our Grantors



**Healthcare Foundation of NJ, \$141,005**  
Sponsors the Perinatal Health & Wellness Program and organizational support to expand oral health care access in Essex County.



**Delta Dental of NJ Foundation, \$75,000**  
Supports KinderSmile Foundation programs and dental home to increase access to care in underserved communities across New Jersey.



**Horizon Foundation for NJ, \$34,500**  
Supports KinderSmile Oral Health Interactive, the app we are building to decrease dental phobia through education.



Making our 15 communities healthier, better places to live

**Partners for Health, \$19,875**  
Supports free in-school oral health services, including dental sealants and the development of KSOHI, our educational app.



**American Dental Association, \$15,000**  
Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center, where uninsured kids can receive continuity of care.



**Ronald McDonald House Charities, \$7,500**  
Awarded to KinderSmile Foundation for its work in the community providing free & discounted oral health care in the tri-state area.



**UnitedHealthcare Community, \$3,000**  
Awarded to KinderSmile Foundation for recognition of its community-based cavity-prevention efforts in NJ.



**E.J. Grassmann Trust, \$3,200**  
Supports the purchase of dental equipment & supplies needed to better serve KinderSmile Foundation patients.



**The Montclair Foundation, \$3,000**  
Supports KinderSmile Oral Health Program to provide free oral health education & preventive dental care in Montclair schools.



**Investors Savings Bank, \$2,500**  
Supports access to oral health care for uninsured/underinsured Bloomfield children & perinatal women.



**NCOHF America's ToothFairy, \$1,000**  
Granted to sponsor urgent restorative dental care for an uninsured teenager at KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center.



**Pro Bono Partnership**  
In-kind donation of professional legal services to review all KinderSmile Foundation & program contacts.



# Board



**Nicole McGrath-Barnes, DDS, FACD**  
*President & CEO*  
*KinderSmile Foundation*



**Dorrie Gagnon, RDH**  
*Registered Dental Hygienist*  
*Office of James Eckert, DDS*



**Ethan Glickman, DDS**  
*Former Executive Director*  
*Dental Studies Institute*



**Sara Kalambur, DDS**  
*Program Director*  
*KinderSmile Foundation*



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# Staff



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*Program Dentist*



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*Dental Assistant*



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*Program Dentist*



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*Receptionist*



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*Program Dentist*



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*Office Manager & Billing Coordinator*



**Nicole Whittam**  
*Chief Operating Officer*



**Niyati Reddy, EFDA, MPA, BDS**  
*Expanded Function Dental Assistant*



**Monique Whyte, RDH**  
*Registered Dental Hygienist*

Thank you to Ashley Perez, Vilma Hernandez, and Karolyn Bogdan for their work with KinderSmile Perinatal Health & Wellness and Community Service Learning Programs from 2016 to 2018, as well as to Caitlin Innamorato & Danielle Rose for their temporary roles as dental assistants at KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center of Bloomfield. We wish them the best of luck in their new endeavors.

# THANKS TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS!

## Give Back A Smile

*professional volunteers*

NJ-licensed dentists & hygienists help treat uninsured patients at our dental home and community partner sites.

Andrezza Fischer, RDH  
Beth Conrow, RDH  
Dorrie Gagnon, RDH  
Ethan Glickman, DDS  
Lucia Arias, DDS  
Kathleen Gilmore, DMD  
Karen Shanahan, RDH  
Usha Rana, DMD  
Sara Kalambur, DDS

Foreign-trained dentists use their expertise to assist dental home staff and educate the community.

Dayna Patel  
Jessica Neto  
Priti Lotlikar  
Ruchi Majoo\*  
Sindhuja Mudunuri

Together, we donated \$507,402 worth of dental services to the community.

## GKAS Week

*Delta Dental volunteers*

Annette Melanga  
Beau the Service Dog  
Captain Supertooth  
Constance Dousing  
Crista O'Donnell  
Jackie Zygadlo  
Joan Henderson  
Joanne Nudo  
Kalimah Joe  
Keith Libon, DMD  
Kim Elmore  
LaToya Barker  
Lois Nagie  
Lori Heath  
Thomasina Amorosi

## CSLP Interns

*student volunteers*

Albert Garcia  
Allison Moyer  
Arianne Wallace  
Ariel Pinchasov  
Ashley Ledix  
Birgitta Taylor-Lillquist  
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Manmit Kaur  
Martina Guiguiguis  
Matthew Roberts  
Nansy Hanna  
Nardeen Malty  
Natalie Barrera  
Ramanpreet Kaur  
Rosi Nalvarte  
Sagar Dave  
Sara Emara  
Stephanie Smith\*  
Victoria Supersaude  
Yue Liu

73  
volunteers

3,700+  
community  
service hours

\*4 dental  
school  
acceptances

# IN-SCHOOL ACCESS TO DENTAL CARE



*recurring 6-month site visits*



*follow-up at dental home*



## KinderSmile Oral Health Program

40  
partner  
sites

Oral health is the key to total health, so how do we ensure that every child has access to care? Families in our community struggle to find dental providers who accept their insurance (or lack thereof) and offer night or weekend appointments. It's difficult to pay private-office fees for service, pay for public transportation, and sacrifice a day's wage.

KinderSmile Oral Health Program breaks through these barriers to accessing care by bringing licensed dentists & hygienists into schools and other community partner sites to provide "free" oral health education, oral exams, prophylaxis (cleanings), fluoride treatment and dental sealants application for cavity-prevention. We re-visit every 6 months, so if a child is cavity-free, they do not need to make any additional outside appointments! For kids who do need immediate follow-up for x-rays, fillings, and other treatments, we work closely with school nurses & parents to verify the child has a dental home to continue care. More than half of the families served in school rely on KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center for their child's permanent dental home.

### Partner Schools:

Arc Kohler School  
Bayway Family Success Center  
Belleville Public School District  
Bright Tots Child Development Center  
Brighter Tomorrows Children's Academy  
Building Blocks University  
Charles Bullock Middle School  
CHEN School  
CPNJ Horizon Schools  
Elliott Street Elementary School  
East Orange Child Development Corporation  
First Mountain Preschool  
The Gramon Family of Schools  
Lafayette Learning Center Preschool  
Little Ones Preschool  
Montclair Child Development Center  
Neighborhood Child Care Center  
Newark Day Care Center  
Newark WIC  
Norjenes Day Care Center  
Precious Jewels Daycare  
Three Stages Day Care Center  
Union Township Community Action Organization  
YMCA of East Orange  
YMCA of Montclair  
Zadie's Early Childhood Center

### Community Partners:

Essex Pregnancy & Parenting Connection  
Bloomfield Health Department  
Bloomfield Municipal Alliance Committee  
Center for Family Resources  
East Orange WIC  
Partnership for Maternal & Child Health of Northern NJ  
Saint James Health of Newark  
University Hospital of Newark  
YCS Institute for Infant & Preschool Mental Health



Kick-off February 2nd, 2018

# GIVE KIDS A SMILE WEEK!



84

children were treated at KSCOHC



78 kids completed an exam & cleaning



all kids received fluoride tx

11

children needed immediate restoration



99 participants

ADA Foundation\*

KinderSmile Foundation has thrown a free oral health fair on Give Kids A Smile Day every February since 2007, but this year was the first time we have ever extended our GKAS festivities for an entire week!

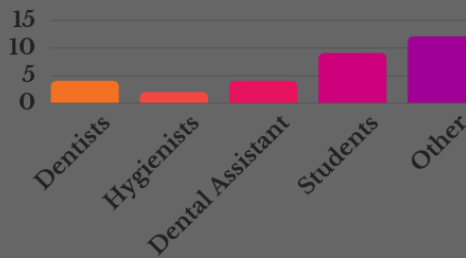
Over four mornings, we welcomed 84 preschoolers into our dental home to celebrate National Children's Dental Health Month and receive free oral health education, oral exams, cleanings, minor restorations, lunch and entertainment.

Due to limited space in the dental home, we had to keep field trip sizes small, resulting in less children seen in 2018 than 2017 (99 participants this year compared to 125 last year). However, treating kids in a fully-equipped exam room rather than the 2017 church venue allowed our volunteer dentists to provide more extensive services, including 10 fillings and 1 crown placement for immediate, free restoration of the teeth!

We hosted 4 local preschools for their own private field trips at KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center, so children would associate visiting the dentist with a fun experience.



31 total volunteers



\$30,051

IN-KIND

value of dental services provided pro bono



# EMPOWERING MOMS IN ESSEX COUNTY



*75 new moms & 120 new kids*



*special thanks to Pluchet Alexander for donating baby clothes & supplies*



*It is safe to visit the dentist during pregnancy.*

*Breast milk can cause cavities in baby teeth.*

*Teething does not always cause baby to have a fever.*

*Babies should have their 1st visit to the dentist by their 1st birthday.*

## Perinatal Health & Wellness Program, Year 2

KinderSmile Perinatal Health & Wellness Program (PHWP) was launched in June 2016, in order to break the dangerous cycle of untreated dental diseases passed from generation to generation and to improve local rates of linking children to a dental home by age 1.

The program empowers perinatal women with informative, personal, culturally sensitive training about the importance of maternal-oral health and its impact on the developing fetus and infants/toddlers under the mother's care. Participants who complete the required oral health curriculum partake in a commencement ceremony and become ambassadors of healthy habits to their communities.

These ambassadors are eligible to receive **one year of free dental care** at our nonprofit dental home, KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center (KSCOHC). In addition, all of their children from birth through 18 years are linked to KSCOHC for continuous access to a dental home.

Seventy-five (75) uninsured moms graduated from PHWP during its inaugural year!

In 2018, The Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey sponsored **another 75 new uninsured moms** to enroll in PHWP, and this year's group of ambassadors also linked a total of **120 new children** to the dental home!

Our community partners such as University Hospital of Newark, East Orange WIC, and the Bloomfield Department of Health worked closely with KinderSmile Foundation to refer moms in need to this unique opportunity.



The Bloomfield Department of Health also helped to expand the breadth of health-related topics covered in our educational classes by providing their expertise in **substance-abuse prevention and lead screening**, two pressing concerns in Essex County. In addition, the health department donated healthy breakfast spreads for each class, so moms and kids alike could try out fruits & veggies and practice the nutritional tips they learned about in class.



# LINKING CHILDREN TO A DENTAL HOME



*4,920 appointments*



*2,403 patients served*



## KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center of Bloomfield

Our 1st dental home, KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center of Bloomfield (KSCOHC), serves as the permanent source of continuing care for all of our kids & moms from KinderSmile Oral Health Program and Perinatal Health & Wellness Program.

In a 5-mile radius of Bloomfield, KSCOHC is the **only** dental home that accepts all Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare patients beginning at age 1, as the American Dental Association recommends.

In 2019, KSCOHC provided dental care and oral health education to **2,403 patients**.

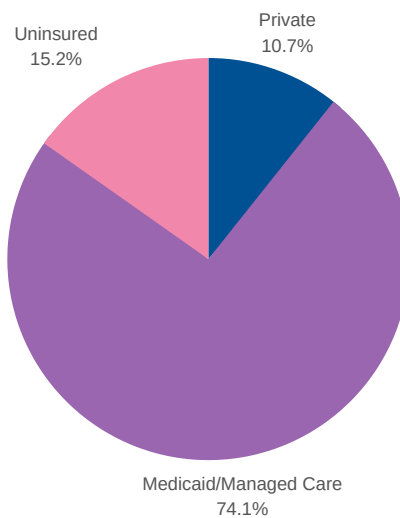
We serve residents from 91 cities in and around Essex County. The top 3 served cities include:

- 1** Bloomfield - 540 patients
- 2** East Orange - 377 patients
- 3** Newark - 334 patients

Our Bloomfield dental home helped **1,595 families** overcome their barriers to accessing oral health care by accepting all types of coverage (or lack thereof), and by re-arranging our operating hours to best accommodate after-work and weekend appointments that are convenient for working families.

Family members eligible to register as patients at KSCOHC include:

- Babies - age 0-3
- Kids - age 3-12
- Teens - age 13-18
- Adults - women who are pregnant or gave birth in the last 3 years



As shown by the graphics to the left, a majority (90.3%) of patients served are children, and three-quarters of them have Medicaid, thus would be turned away at most offices.



# THE NEXT GENERATION OF LEADERS



## Community Service Learning Program & Annual Mission Trip

Forty-four (44) volunteers ranging from high school through graduate school students joined our Community Service Learning Program (CSLP) in 2018. These ambitious future leaders sought out an internship at our dental home and community programs because they have dreams of becoming dentists, public health workers, teachers, and business leaders. CSLP interns are integral members of the KinderSmile Foundation team, so to celebrate their talents, we hosted an inaugural CSLP Orientation Celebration on September 7, 2018, where we recognized the following outstanding volunteers.

**Most Creative**  
Imani Armour

**Best Team Player**  
Sagar Dave

**Outstanding Growth**  
Sara Emara

**Star Leadership**  
Jim Skaff

**Initiative of the Year**  
Linda Ali & Stephanie Smith,  
co-founders of Rutgers  
ToothFairies

Visit [www.kindersmile.org/](http://www.kindersmile.org/)  
*RUToothFairies* to learn more.

2018 marked the first year that KinderSmile Foundation partnered with another charity organization (Somos Amigos) for our annual mission trip, allowing us to volunteer alongside other dental & medical professionals from across the country, UK, Haiti and DR. From providing direct patient care to distributing pharmaceutical supplies, our team came home from the Dominican Republic with new skills, new friends, and a new appreciation for running water!

The mission trip team traveled to the remote, mountainside village of Naranjito, about three hours drive from Santiago, Dominican Republic. Together, three dentists and six assistants brought smiles to the faces of 110 patients in Dominican Republic—work valued at more than \$137,194.

**Dentists**  
Dr. Nicole McGrath-Barnes  
Dr. Angela Crincoli  
Dr. Lucia Arias

**"Dental Assistants"**  
Juan Barnes  
Christopher Ferguson  
Ken Leong  
Crystal Pineiros  
Jim Skaff  
Nicole Whittam



*\$4,560 donated  
supplies collected*



*110 patients served in  
Dominican Republic*



*next year ... Ecuador!*



**Giving Kids a Dental HEAD START in Our Community™**

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