

Giving Kids a Dental HEAD START in Our Community

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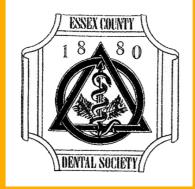




"6th Annual Give Kids a Smile Event"

KinderSmile successfully hosted their 6th annual Give Kids a Smile Day (GKASD) oral health fair on Friday, February 1, 2013. It was held at the Central Presbyterian Church in Montclair, NJ. 156 children received free dental services - diagnostic and preventive oral care, including dental health education. Free take home dental kits were provided for all. Bus transportation was arranged by KinderSmile for 5 schools to participate in this event. KinderSmile Oral Health Program including Give Kids a Smile is partially funded by National Children's Oral Health Foundation, HealthCare Foundation NJ, Delta Dental NJ, ADA Foundation Give Kids a Smile Continuity of Care grant, and Partners for Health.





KSF Reaches out to Essex County Dental Society for Financial Support and Volunteers

In February,Andrea McDonagh and Dr. Ethan



Christmas Holiday Giving with Women's Club of Montclair and KSF

Members of the Montclair Women's Club were busy in December knitting hats, scarves and gloves for the children at Precious Jewels Day Care Center that they presented over Christmas. The KSF Junior Board members purchased Christmas toys for the children at Precious Jewels . Thank you to all! GICKINAN yave a taik to the Essex County Dental Society on the KinderSmile Outreach program. Their message was to connect KSF vision advocating charitable support and inkind services to our future success. KSF appreciates the warm welcome it received and was encouraged that this intial exchange will create meaningful friendships and accomplish great work for families with special dental needs. If you missed this Dental Society meeting, we have attached a volunteer form for your office to participate in our outreach programs.

KinderSmile Volunteer Form



KSF Oral Health



KSF Jr. Board 4th Annual International Outreach Trip! Please Support Our Efforts!!!

The junior board is working tirelessly to fund their 4th annual international outreach trip to the children of Guatemala. The funds raised will purchase all clinical supplies for the trip. The fundraising events include: Montclair High School bake sale,Columbia High School Bake Sale,and the organizing of dental health education at Kings Supermarket for the residents of Upper Montclair,NJ. The board has partnered with Safe Homes for Children(Casa de Sion)in Los Lomas,Guatemala, to provide free dental services and nutritional education

Program-Dental Home Initiative

KSOHP-DHI 2013 was launched on Women's Day March 8, 2013, This program offers FREE dental treatment to children of families without dental insurance, a regular dental office, and are in need of immediate dental care. Board member, Dr.Pooja Khurana had generously offered the opportunity for the KSF dental volunteers to treat these children in her private dental practice. Our initial treatment day of in-kind services totaled over \$2000.00 The Dental Home Initiative service will be available on the 2nd Friday of each month, volunteer hours, 9-11:30 AM. The next dental visit is scheduled on April 12th, if you would like to help. Call our office to sign up at 973-744-7003 or email us at ksf@kindersmile.org

Kindersmile would like to Thank

Our generous recent donor-Delta Dental Foundation for \$20,000 for 500 children in the Mayan Indian villages. These volunteer members will serve in different capacities on the trip, but strive to accomplish a singular vision: to serve the dental needs of children. Thank you for your commitment and passion Jr. Board Members.



6 Toothbrush Stations have been installed at local preschools and the ARC of Mountainside,NJ.

KSF has launched a "Tootbrush Station" initiative, thanks to a successful grant satisfied by the Healthcare Foundation of NJ. "If we are to decrease oral health disease in young children, we have to get the pre-schools and elementary schools involved

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Dr.Alan Rankin Dr.Judith Post Wardell Slaughter Valerie Spain

Our gratitude goes to

Dr.Clifford Lisman of Dental Health Associates and Arlene Coyle , our tooth fairy, for the donation of 800 KSF dental kits to Give Kids a Smile event and Montclair Child Development Center for onsite visits.

Huge Thanks

Henry Schein and Sirona for providing for the many dental supplies for our "Give Kids a Smile" event in February.

Acknowledgements to our GKSOHF Volunteers Delta Dental JLMN of Montclair-Newark Montclair High School Dentists and Hygienists who volunteered with us Nauna's Pizza of Montclair Whole Foods Xanadu Dr.Renee Baskerville Mayor Robert D.Jackson Kelly Soderlund of the ADA with educating children on exemplary daily, dental habits" says Nicole McGrath, founder of KinderSmile. Hence, the simple concept of supplying Toothbrush Stations: Teachers are trained to incorporate brushing into the daily schedule of the school children and they monitor children's participation. They submit a log to KSF monthly on how the children and the program is working. According to all feedback coming in, this program has been immensely successful. It is creating the structure, repetitiveness, and compulsory nature of a daily brushing routine into the student's daily "to do list."

Over the last two years, over 6 schools have implemented the program. Over 550 school children are benefitting, including the ARC Kohler School in Mountainside,NJ who caters to children with disabilities. We hope to install more stations in additional schools as funding becomes available.

Make a difference in a child's life this year. Give a Smile Today!



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