

## Tooth Talk

*"A bright smile with healthy teeth is the universal welcome"*

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*"We make kids smile"*



*We want to give our thanks for America's Tooth Fairy Grant of \$10,000 for our Foundation's Oral Health Program.*

### The KinderSmile Foundation

Kindersmile has provided free dental screenings, oral exams, cleanings and fluoride treatments, and oral education to children, parents and caregivers. We are very proud of our statistical results in 2012. A total of 1,984 children and adults educated, 518 children and adults screened and dental education literature supplied totaled 1,659. We are enthusiastic and eager to move forward and see greater outcomes next year!

### KinderSmile Receives Grant

The ADA Foundation has awarded the Give Kids A Smile Continuity of Care Grant. The Continuity of Care is a grant of \$10,000. It establishes a liaison with KSF to ensure that underserved children receive care during a grant recipient GKAS event. It gives us the opportunity to encourage our organization to expand GKAS initiatives to provide restorative dental care to children at high risk who do not complete all restorative care during the Give Kids a Smile Day event, February 1, 2013. The Continuity of Care grants are made possible by funding provided to the ADA Foundation by Care Credit Corp.



### Technology Update

Our advanced office technology has enabled us to create case management database for all children who have been identified with untreated dental problems. The database technology will be a continuous function in our office and we are very excited to establish our recent service to manage and ensure data tracking of all the children.

KinderSmile Foundation reaches out to all children and their families during the year with a variety of dental services, educational workshops, and school programs. We're dedicated to 'making a difference' and we ask you to be part of this important mission. The supportive contributions help maintain our mission. KSF works because of you!

## Happenings for September



### **A Busy Day for The KinderSmile Foundation**

V.I.S.I.O.N of Elizabeth, NJ hosted a community Blessed Fest, September 22, 2012 to support homeless and at-risk families. This event offered free clothing, household and personal care supplies, as well as free healthcare screenings and. Board member, Andrea Johnson, Board Member and Jr. Board Member, Doran Martinez of KSF presented a table on oral health education. Free dental hygiene supplies to homeless families were distributed. More than 200 bags of toothbrushes, toothpaste and oral hygiene brochures were handed out.

### **On-site School Visits for September**

- Dr. McGrath presented an Oral Education Workshop to teachers at Neighborhood Child Care Center, Montclair, NJ
- Dr. Ayanna Bradshaw presented an Oral Education Workshop to teachers and parents at Precious Jewels Daycare, Montclair, NJ
- Arc Kohler, Mountainside, NJ had their quarterly visit
- Dr. McGrath, Liz Liloia, RDH and Arnold Liloia, Laurence Whittam, Connor Balog and Nick Hrehove provided dental services to Aprea School, East Orange, NJ
- Drs. McGrath & Bradshaw introduced a back-to-school night KSF presentation at Building Blocks University, Montclair, NJ
- Dr. Bradshaw introduced a back-to-school night KSF presentation at Building Blocks University, Irvington, NJ



## Happenings for October

Dr. Sara Kalambur, Program Director attended the St. Louis Missouri Give Kids A Smile Institute, October 24- 28, 2012 as Ambassador for our Organization. The GKAS community Leadership Development Institute annual symposium offers the opportunity to learn, how to initiate, expand and enhance a GKAS program. It provides participants comprehensive training in their individual community and to share what they learned from the GKAS Institute. The Community Leadership Development Institute is sponsored by Hu-Friedy, Henry Schein Cares and the ADA Foundation. Congratulations to our GKAS Institute Ambassador!  
<http://www.ada.org/news/7891.aspx>



### On-site School Visits for October

- Dr. Ayanna Bradshaw and Harriet Kushins, RDH presented an Oral Education Workshop to pre-post-natal mothers at the Montclair Child Development Center, Montclair, NJ. This visit included pedodontic dental screenings and referrals to establish a dental home for the families.
- Dr. Ayanna Bradshaw and Harriet Kushins, RDH presented an Oral Education Workshop to mothers at Women's, Infants, & Children, Family Health Services (WIC Program), East Orange, NJ



*Child receives care from KinderSmile Volunteers*

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## What are our KinderSmile Volunteer Jr. Board Members Doing?

Our Jr. Board Members collected non-perishable canned goods and blankets to donate to victims of Hurricane Sandy. Kindersmile volunteers, Laurence Whittam Jr. Board President, assisted by Connor Balog, Nick Hrehovcik and Alexandria Farrell, students at Ramapo College (NJ), established the Ramapo College Kindersmile Club in 2011. They also help us at on-site school visits. They are currently working on fundraising ideas and finalizing their 2013 Outreach Mission trip. Our junior board members remain engaged in 'making a difference' by participating in various activities during the year to reach underserved children.



## Preparing for 2013

KSF will be hosting Give Kids a Smile Day, February 1, 2013. It will be held at 46 Park St. at the Central Presbyterian Church, Montclair, NJ. The event is scheduled for 9 am - 2 pm. This will be our 6th year. We will be providing bus transportation to enable children to attend the fair. Participation of volunteer dentists and dental auxiliaries from neighboring communities continues to be a vital part in making this event another successful year. We provide orientation for all volunteer dentists who wish to extend pro-bona care for children after our GKASD 2013 dental health fair. Please sign-up We need volunteers!

## Acknowledgements

KSF would like to express our gratitude and appreciation to:

The dedicated dentists and volunteer staff for their time and continuing efforts. Our partners -- Dr. Jerry M. Strauss, Yvonne Kiernan, RDH, Robin Bartscherer, RDH, Harriet Kushins, RDH, and Amanda Jucks, RDH -- have contributed to the success in providing children, from local communities, needed oral care and dental education.

Jack & Jill of North America for their donation of \$6,000. Their fundraiser in May 2012, was a great success.

All our supporters and friends in September voting for the Chase Community Giving Program. We value your continued charity.

KinderSmile Club of Ramapo College and our Junior Board for the support rendered during on-site visits.

Carol Lundquist, President and Rosemary Di Trani, Education Director of The Woman's Club of Upper Montclair, NJ for their gracious and charitable annual benefit luncheon honoring Dr. McGrath. The event was held on October 24, 2012. It included delicious food, live music and contribution of children's books.

