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In 2021, despite continued challenges caused by the coronavirus pandemic, KinderSmile Foundation continued to grow and to positively impact the communities we serve. This year validated that the need for our services is greater than ever. Health inequities continue to plague the inner cities, highlighting socioeconomic and racial disparities in access to care. Black and Hispanic communities have been disproportionately affected by COVID-19, and are uninsured at higher rates. The CDC states that health equity is attained when everyone has the opportunity to reach full health potential without the disadvantages of social or economic circumstances. KinderSmile Foundation strives to achieve just that!

It is my pleasure to share our growth, successes, and impact of 2021. We hosted a successful Give Kids a Smile Month in February. We developed a successful Introduction to Dental Assisting Program in partnership with Mercer County Community College, and celebrated the commencement of the first class of graduates in July. We continued to provide access to oral health care through KinderSmile Oral Health Program, Special Smiles Program, our Perinatal Health and Wellness Program, and at our three Dental Homes.

Whether you are a donor, a volunteer, a member of the clinical or administrative team, a school nurse, a parent, or a friend, thank you very much for being part of the KinderSmile Foundation “village,” and for helping us serve the community, provide access to care, and increase awareness of oral health inequity in New Jersey and beyond. We appreciate your support!

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Our expansion to the medically compromised City of Trenton has broadened our mission to include underserved adults, responding to the dire need of the community.

Over the past 15 years, KinderSmile Foundation has provided more than $9 million of in-kind dental services, and impacted over 35,000 underserved patients in New Jersey and abroad, in order to eliminate dental disease, the #1 epidemic of economically disadvantaged children.

Our evidence-based approach relies on three goals of Education, Prevention, and Intervention as methods to combat dental disease and empower children and their caregivers with knowledge about oral hygiene and its relevance to total health and wellness by providing compassionate, culturally-sensitive oral hygiene instruction and nutritional counseling.
2021 Growth and Impact

Patients from 121 NJ Townships

Patient Growth Over Time

Patients by Age Group 2021

Insurance Breakdown

KSF 2021:

- Private Insurance: 6.62%
- Uninsured: 23.69%
- Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare: 69.68%

Funds Raised for Haiti by KSF: $7,257.73

In-Kind Supplies Donated to KSF: $20,770.08

Total Value of In-Kind Care Provided by KSF in 2021: $508,745

Dental School Acceptances:
- Aryeh Iosif, Harvard School of Dental Medicine
- Imani Armour, University of Maryland School of Dentistry
- Karan Bhut, Rutgers School of Dental Medicine
- Maitri Patel, University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine
- Priyanka Unnam, Columbia University College of Dental Medicine
- Rinal Patel, University of Nevada, Las Vegas School of Dental Medicine
- Tushar Thummar, Rutgers School of Dental Medicine

Congratulations!

36 CSLP Students Volunteered 1,875 Hours

60 New Moms Perinatal Health and Wellness Program
KinderSmile Perinatal Health and Wellness Program (PHWP) breaks the dangerous cycle of untreated dental diseases by empowering uninsured pregnant and up to three years postpartum women with informative, personal, culturally-sensitive training about the importance of maternal oral health and its impact on the developing fetus and young children. Graduates of the training program earn a full year of free dental care to restore their smiles to full functionality and painlessness, and the benefit of having a link to a Dental Home for their children from their first year. In 2021, we proudly enrolled and educated 60 new PHWP moms.

PHWP is perfectly aligned with First Lady Tammy Murphy's Nurture NJ and Healthy Women, Healthy Families program, addressing the healthcare inequities in high-risk communities that impact maternal and infant health.

Our expansion into Trenton extended the reach of this program to the underserved perinatal mothers of the City of Trenton, where it is reported that 58% of expectant Trenton mothers receive late or no prenatal health care.

Give Kids a Smile

We celebrated KinderSmile Foundation's 14th annual Give Kids A Smile for the entire month of February, 2021, in all three of our Dental Homes.

We provided free oral health education and dental care to 391 underserved children in Bloomfield, Newark, and Trenton.

We are grateful to the ADA, NJDA, The Delta Dental of NJ Foundation, and all of our professional and Community Service Learning program volunteers who took part in this month-long event.

The total in-kind value of care provided was an astounding $143,457.06!
School-based oral health programs have been proven to be an effective way to reach children from at-risk families who have a higher risk of caries, and limited or no access to clinical care. Our KSOHP Coordinator schedules bi-annual visits for oral health education and preventive dental care. At these visits, dentists, dental hygienists, and dental assistants provide age and ability appropriate oral health education, dental exams, prophylactic cleanings, fluoride varnish, and dental sealants where appropriate. Preventive dental care provided at school visits is provided at no cost to families, regardless of insurance status. Our Special Smiles Program is an exciting expansion of the KinderSmile Oral Health Program, providing access to dental care and oral health education to schools serving children with developmental disabilities.

KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Newark, located within The Boys and Girls Club of Newark, bridges the gap in access to oral health care for underserved youth in the urban community of Newark. This convenient Dental Home, which opened in 2019, provides oral health education, prevention, and intervention for Club members and the surrounding community.

KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Trenton fills a large gap in the community’s available resources. With the help of our grantors and the growing list of our community partners, we celebrate the expansion of our services to providing quality comprehensive dental care for adults and children alike. Adult programs in Trenton include our Perinatal Health and Wellness Program, our Veterans Health and Wellness Program, and our Smiles for Seniors Program, which have all been developed in order to extend the reach and close the gap in oral health care access.

KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Bloomfield, our first Dental Home, opened in 2016, creating our brick-and-mortar Dental Home model, free of the typical barriers in access to care that underserved communities face. Our Dental Homes accept all patients regardless of insurance status or lack thereof, offer ease of transportation, flexible hours for working parents, care for children with anxiety or developmental disabilities, and more.

Access to Oral Health Care and a Link to a Dental Home
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MCJ Amelior Foundation $5,000  Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Newark at the Boys and Girls Club of Newark
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PHS Commissioned Officers Foundation 2021 $5,000  Barclay-Giel Seed Grant for uninsured veterans at KSCOHC Trenton
Princeton Area Community Foundation Ellen & Albert Stark Foundation Fund $5,000  Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Trenton
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Investors Bank Foundation $1,500  Supports KinderSmile Oral Health Program and a Link to a Dental Home for uninsured children of Bloomfield
National Children’s Oral Health Foundation $1,033  Supports the purchase of supplies for uninsured children Newark and Trenton
Rotary Club-Boys & Girls Club $500  Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Newark at the Boys and Girls Club of Newark
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