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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!

Nicole McGrath-Barnes, DDS, FACD  
President & CEO

## Our Impact and Our Community

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# Our Mission and Vision

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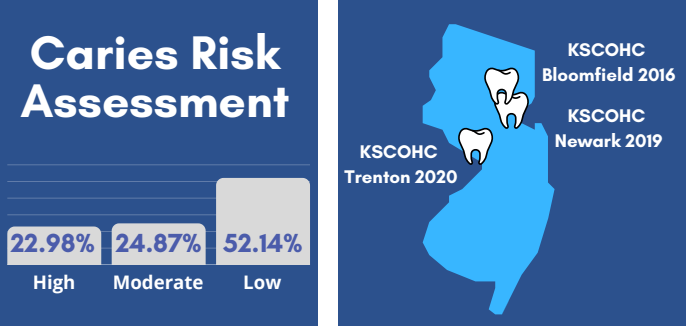
Our expansion to the medically compromised City of Trenton has broadened our mission to include underserved adults, responding to the dire need of the community.

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.

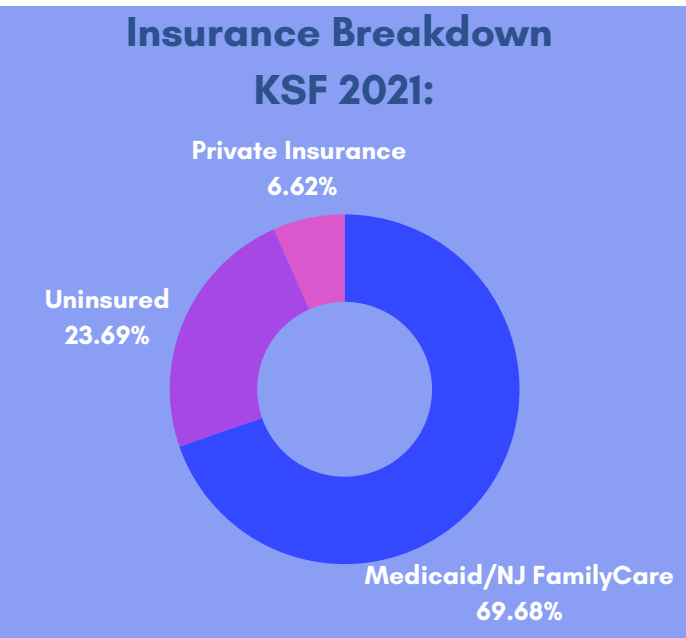
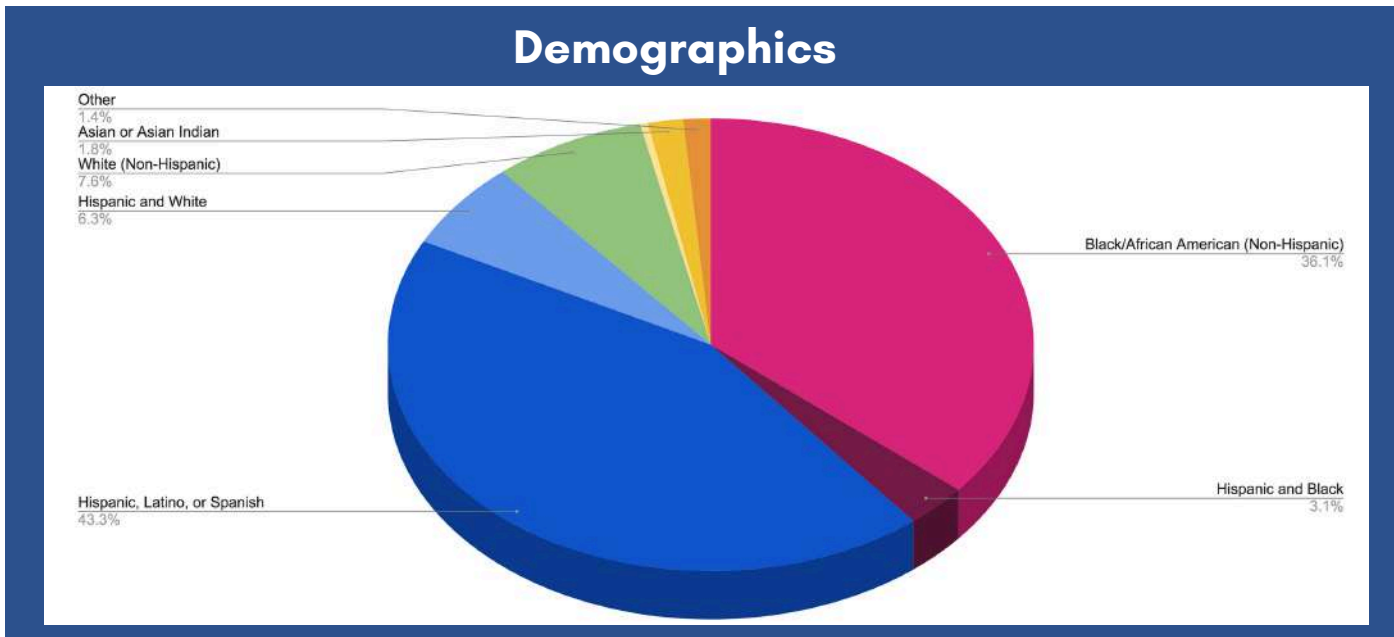
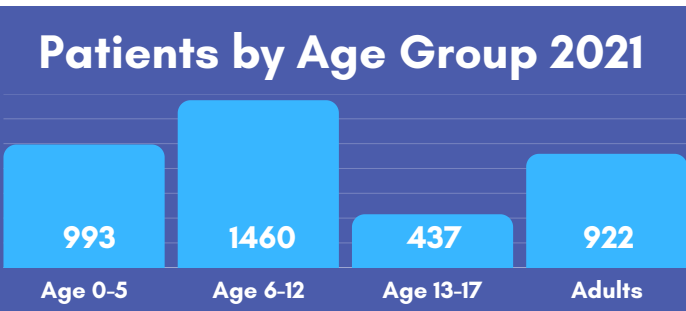
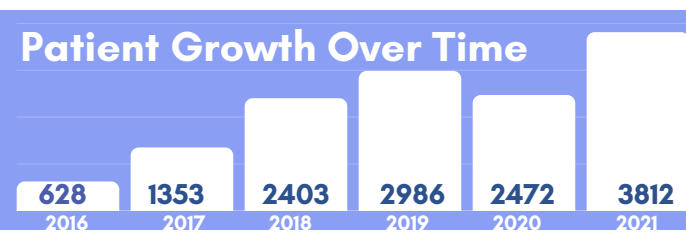






# 2021 Growth and Impact

## Patients from 121 NJ Townships



**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**

**36 CSLP Students Volunteered 1,875 Hours**

**60 New Moms Perinatal Health and Wellness Program**

**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!**







# 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!**

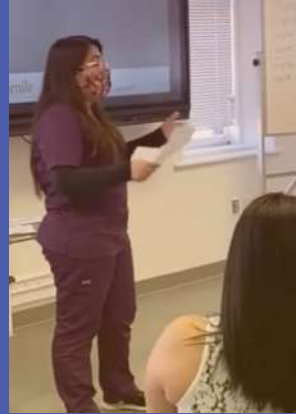


# Perinatal Health and Wellness Program

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.





KinderSmile Foundation combats the inequality in oral health care access in underserved communities by establishing a link to a Dental Home while focusing on the three key goals of education, prevention, and intervention. The Surgeon General's Oral Health Report concluded that although dental diseases are preventable, many face barriers that prevent access to oral health care in a timely fashion. The mission of KSF is to eliminate these barriers, and expand access to care.

The health and safety of our staff, patients, and community remains our priority. The ability to continue to provide quality dental care throughout the coronavirus pandemic has been valuable. Despite the increase in need and cost of PPE and infection control supplies due to this pandemic, we continue our mission of providing care to at-risk patients without seeking any additional fees from our patients.

KinderSmile Foundation was founded in the community and for the community, and despite this year's challenges and limitations, we have been excited to return to our partners with **KinderSmile Oral Health Program** dental offsite visits and oral health education, adding a newly developed slideshow and virtual instructional program.

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 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.

**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.

# Access to Oral Health Care and a Link to a Dental Home

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**George H. & Estelle M. Sands Foundation \$400,000** Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Trenton



**Delta Dental Foundation of New Jersey \$108,000** Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Centers Bloomfield, Newark, and Trenton, and Give Kids a Smile Day.

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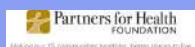
**The Burke Foundation \$50,000** Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Trenton



**Friends Foundation for the Aging \$50,000** Support for KinderSmile Foundation's Smiles for Seniors Program at KSCOHC Trenton



**Princeton Area Community Foundation Fund for Women and Girls \$25,000** Supports Perinatal Health and Wellness Program at KSCOHC Trenton



**Partners for Health Foundation \$25,000** Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Bloomfield



**Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. \$22,500** Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Trenton



**AAPD Foundation \$18,000** Supports KinderSmile Oral Health Program and a Link to a Dental Home Trenton



**The Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey \$16,390** Supports KSOHP and the purchase of dental equipment for KSCOHC Bloomfield



**NJM Insurance Group \$11,250** Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Trenton



**Rite Aid Foundation KidCents, \$10,000** Sponsors oral health care to underserved youth



**Summit Foundation \$8,000** Supports KinderSmile Oral Health Program for uninsured children at GRACE Summit

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**Hyde & Watson Foundation \$5,900** Supports the purchase of dental equipment for KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Bloomfield



**Bristol Myers Squibb Company \$5,000** Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Trenton



**MCJ Amelior Foundation \$5,000** Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Newark at the Boys and Girls Club of Newark



**Montclair Foundation \$5,000** Supports KinderSmile Oral Health Program and a Link to a Dental Home Bloomfield



**Overlook Foundation \$5,000** Supports KinderSmile Oral Health Program for uninsured children at GRACE Summit



**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



**Princeton Area Community Foundation Schaefer/Batterman Family Fund \$2,500** Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Trenton



**I Am Trenton Community Foundation \$2,000** Supports KinderSmile Oral Health Program Link to a Dental Home Trenton



**Church & Dwight Employee Giving Fund \$2,000** Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Trenton



**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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