



Annual Report 2023

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Dear Friend,

Thank you for being part of the KinderSmile Foundation village. As we reflect upon 2023, we are filled with gratitude and emotion. What a year!

In 2007, KinderSmile Foundation was born after the heartbreaking death of Deamonte Driver, a 12-year old boy from Prince George's County, Maryland, who died from a tooth infection that traveled to his brain. Since that day, KinderSmile Foundation has continued to sow seeds, establish community partnerships, enhance its programs, introduce new initiatives, develop workforce opportunities, mentor young students to understand the importance of public health, and provide access to oral health care for underserved and uninsured children and families in marginalized communities.

In 2023, KinderSmile Foundation continued to blossom as a leading organization in changing the landscape of access to oral health care in the state of New Jersey. We have seen the seeds sprout, mature into trees, flower, and begin to bear fruit. We produced a documentary *Toothache: The Painful Truth About Oral Health Care Inequity*, introduced *A Roadmap to Improving Access to Oral Health Care in the State of New Jersey*, and learned of the introduction of our proposed *MOM Project* to the State Senate (S-4153).

Dental disease is the leading epidemic among low income families, and dental caries is the largest preventable epidemic among school children in the United States. Health inequities continue to plague the inner cities, highlighting socioeconomic and racial disparities in access to care. Black and Hispanic communities are disproportionately affected. Health equity is attained when everyone has the opportunity to reach full health potential without the disadvantages of social or economic circumstances. We are grateful for the opportunity to serve and to raise awareness of the need for equitable care in New Jersey and beyond.

It is our pleasure to share our growth, successes, and impact of 2023. We count our blessings as we continue to serve the community and provide access to oral health care and a link to a permanent Dental Home to over 7,000 smiles at KinderSmile Community Oral Health Centers Bloomfield, Newark, and Trenton, and through our programs.

Whether you are a donor, a volunteer, a member of the team, a school nurse, a parent, or a friend, **thank you** very much for being part of the KinderSmile Foundation village. We appreciate your support!



Nicole McGrath-Barnes, DDS, FACD  
Founder & CEO



Michal Herman, DDS  
COO

Giving Kids a Dental Head Start in Our Community



# Mission and Vision

The mission of KinderSmile Foundation is to provide underserved children with access to comprehensive dental care and educate children and their families about the importance of dental hygiene. We envision a future where every child has access to a dentist, and preventable dental diseases are eradicated.

Our expansion to the medically compromised City of Trenton in 2020 broadened our mission to include underserved adults and seniors, responding to the dire need of the community. Newark and Trenton and their vicinities are designated as Medically Underserved and Health Professional Shortage Areas. Extending our services to the communities provides a platform for increasing access to care, continued workforce development opportunities, and encouragement of dental professionals to participate in public health and community dentistry.

Over the last 16 years KinderSmile Foundation has served over 47,000 patients in New Jersey and 10 locations around the globe, and has provided over \$12 million of in-kind care, striving to eliminate dental disease, the #1 epidemic of economically disadvantaged children.

As a small nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, KinderSmile Foundation is unique. It is not a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) and we do not get any state or federal funding for the services we provide. Our evidence-based approach focuses on **Education, Intervention, and Prevention** as methods to combat dental disease and empower children and families with knowledge about oral health as the gateway to total health and wellbeing.

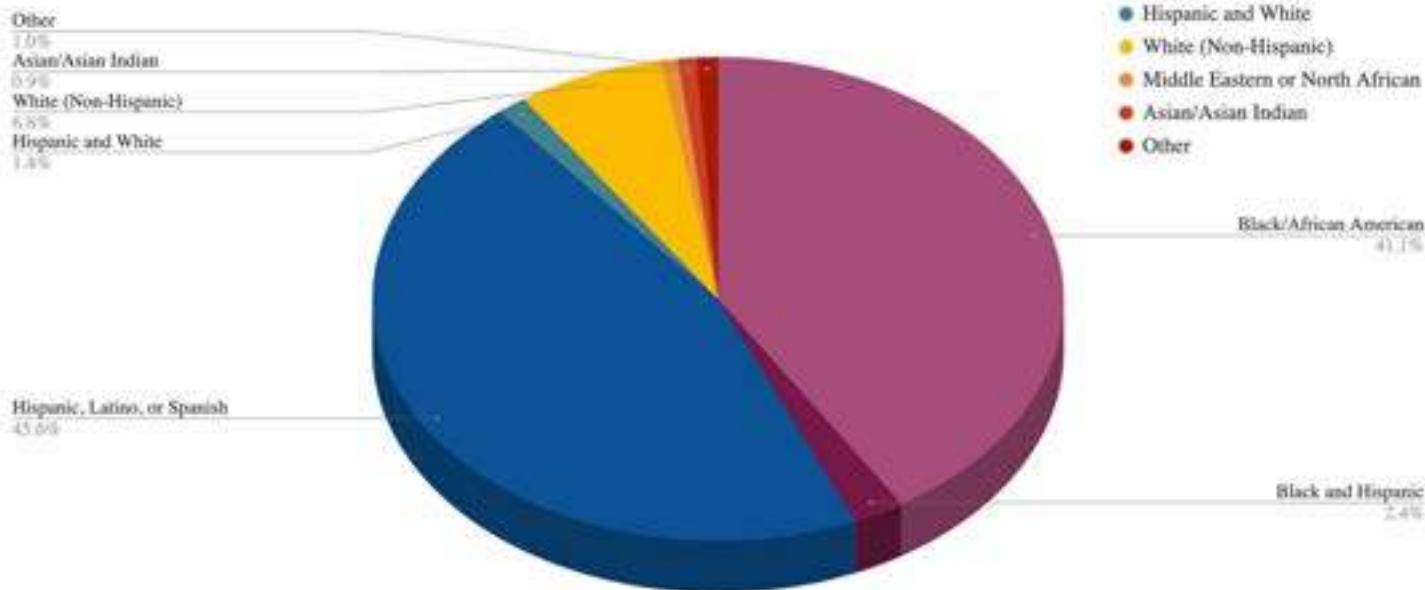
KinderSmile Foundation seeks to improve the oral health of at-risk populations from age 1 or the eruption of the first tooth, concentrating on **Value over Volume**, investing in our patients and their families, spending the time required to complete quadrant dental care, reducing school and work absenteeism, and improving confidence.

In 2023 our continued efforts and collaborations have been motivated by the need to make access to oral health care a priority, as we work towards a goal of reaching health equity and ensuring that a tragic death from dental disease does not happen in our own Garden State!



# Growth and Impact 2023

## KinderSmile Foundation Demographics Breakdown 2023

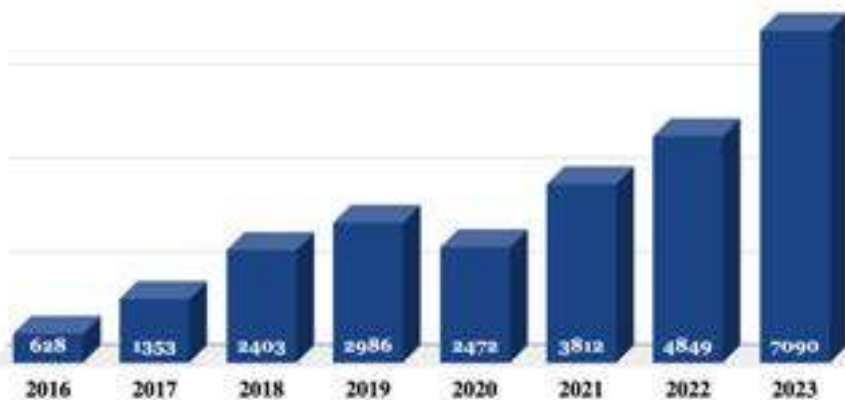


## Patients from 162 NJ Townships



## KinderSmile Foundation Growth:

Unique Patients Seen Per Year Since Opening KSCOHC Dental Homes



Total  
Dental Home  
Visits:  
12,496

Total Offsite  
Visits:  
1,616

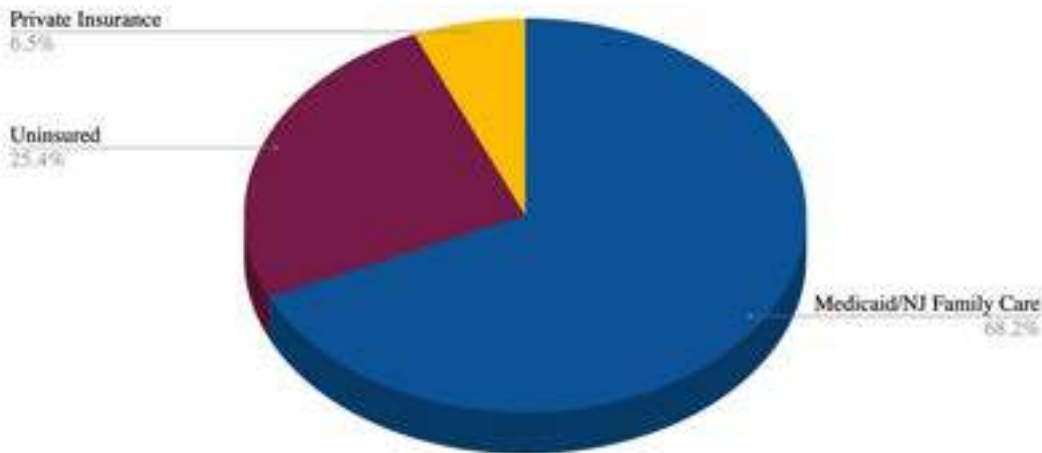
Percent of  
Uninsured  
Children  
Offsite:  
31.99%

Children Offsite  
Requiring  
Follow Up Care:  
34.90%

Absenteeism for  
Dental Disease:  
14% of 1,511 Screened  
Missed  
333 School Days



## KinderSmile Foundation Insurance Breakdown 2023



**Emergency Visits Since Opening  
Our Dental Homes: 4,173**

**Value of Saved Tax Payer  
Dollars: \$3,125,577**

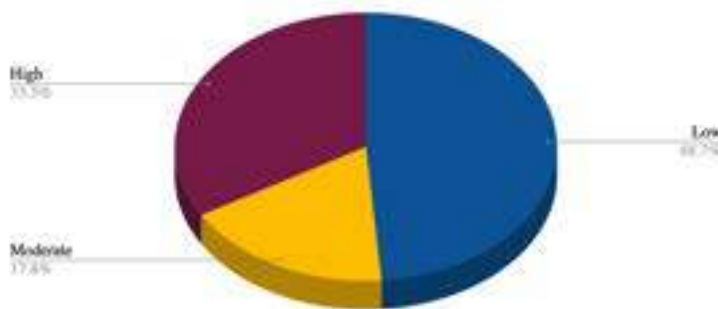


**Total Value of Care  
Provided by KSF in 2023:  
Over \$6,124,000**

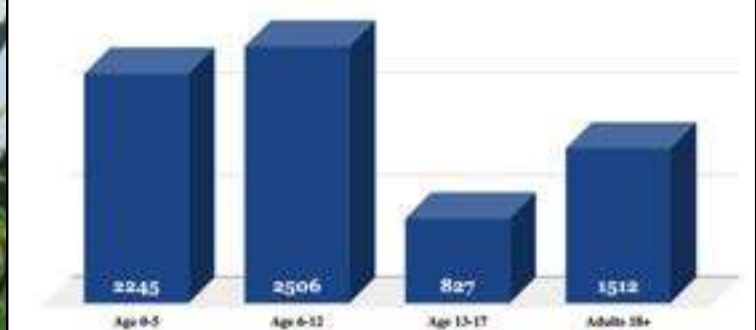


**43 Mothers Educated through  
KSF's Perinatal Health and  
Wellness Program**

## KinderSmile Foundation Caries Risk Breakdown 2023



## KinderSmile Foundation Age Breakdown 2023



**41 CSLP Students  
Volunteered  
1,980 Hours**



**9 GBAS  
Volunteers Donated  
285.5 Hours**



**Funds raised  
for Haiti:  
\$5,512.24**



**737 Children  
Served Through  
Give Kids a Smile  
Month**



**Additional 713  
Children Educated  
Through Give Kids a  
Smile Month**

## Congratulations!

Akosua Afriyie - Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health  
Antoinette Afriyie- Rutgers School of Dental Medicine  
Stefanie Chen- Cornell university  
Jihad Ghanim - University of Colorado School of Dental Medicine  
Christine Khalil - UConn School of Dental Medicine  
Adriana Paldino - Rutgers School of Dental Medicine  
Zanub Rahman - The University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine



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

**KinderSmile Oral Health Program** is the flagship program of our nonprofit organization. KSOHP increases access to dental care for underserved children, regardless of insurance status, by bringing dental care to schools or community centers at no cost to caretakers or the school system, and crucially linking them to our three Dental Homes, KinderSmile Community Oral Health Centers Bloomfield, Newark, and Trenton.

KinderSmile Foundation was founded in the community and for the community. We affiliate with various schools and organizations in the community who help us connect with the families in need of our services. Developing relationships with a diverse network of community partners allows us to raise awareness of the inequities of oral health care access across the spectrum of child advocates and to educate more caregivers about dental hygiene as related to total health and wellbeing.

In 2023 the NJDOH collected oral health data for the first time, and discovered that 36% of New Jersey's third graders have untreated dental decay, as compared to 20% nationwide. School-based oral health programs have been proven to be an effective way to reach children from at-risk families. 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.

Data collection and analysis, a KSOHP hallmark, is crucial to identifying social determinants of health and to reducing racial and socioeconomic disparities in access to care. KinderSmile Oral Health Program was streamlined and standardized in 2023, placing KSF in a position to assist the State of New Jersey in assessing the effectiveness of providing access to care and medical-dental integration on improving children's oral health.

**KinderSmile Community Oral Health Centers Bloomfield, Newark, and Trenton** were established as brick-and-mortar Dental Homes, 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 who are very young, and those who require more time or have behavioral management needs. In Newark, our Dental Home is located within the **Boys and Girls Club of Newark** and bridges the gap in access to oral health care for Club members and the surrounding community. KinderSmile Oral Health Center Trenton opened its doors to adults and children alike, filling a large gap in the community's available resources.

Newark and Trenton, and their vicinities are designated as Medically Underserved and Health Professional Shortage Areas by HRSA. Extending our services to these communities provides a platform for workforce development and the opportunity to entice dental professionals to join public health and community dentistry. We host an Introduction to Dental Assisting Program in partnership with MCCC in Trenton. We offer mentoring, guidance, and practice to rotating and externing Dental Assisting and Dental Hygiene students through partnerships with local schools and community colleges. Our **Community Service Learning Program** mentors future philanthropic and healthcare leaders by providing volunteer opportunities to students from high school through graduate school. Students learn about nonprofit work and about the value of giving back.

**In 2023 KinderSmile Foundation provided over \$6,124,700 of preventive and comprehensive dental care at our Dental Homes and programs!**





# Perinatal Health and Wellness Program

**KinderSmile Foundation's Perinatal Health and Wellness Program** breaks the dangerous cycle of untreated dental diseases by empowering uninsured and underinsured mothers from pregnancy to 3 years postpartum, with informative, personal, and culturally sensitive training about the importance of maternal oral health and its impact on the developing fetus and young children. Uninsured graduates of this grant-supported program earn a year of free dental care to restore their smiles to full functionality and painlessness.

In addition to enrolling uninsured mothers, typically not qualified for Medicaid due to immigration status, our PHWP Director has been working diligently and successfully to expand our list of community partners, and include educational sessions to mothers insured by Medicaid, with a goal of enrolling more Black mothers, who are facing disproportionately high rates of maternal complications.

Maternal periodontal disease is linked to preterm birth and low birthweight, although treatment of periodontal disease during pregnancy has been shown to be safe and effective. Our program promotes medical-dental integration, and raises awareness of the importance of oral health to total health and wellbeing, while improving maternal outcomes, and reducing Early Childhood Caries and rampant decay.

To date PHWP has served 363 mothers, who have been educated in English, Spanish, and Arabic.

- Maternal periodontal disease is linked to preterm birth and low birthweight, although treatment of periodontal disease during pregnancy has been shown to be safe and effective
- High levels of cariogenic bacteria in pregnant mothers can increase the risk of dental caries in infants or young children
- Pregnant women with chronic periodontal disease are up to 7 times more likely to have premature births than those without
- The CDC reports that 60% to 75% of pregnant women have gingivitis, an early stage of periodontal disease that occurs when the gums become red and swollen from inflammation caused by hormonal changes during pregnancy
- The AAPD recommends that healthcare providers implement preventive measures and caregivers' education to help prevent Early Childhood Caries, which remains a significant—but preventable—public health problem

- "After participating in the program, I recognized the need to incorporate some of the knowledge gained for better oral hygiene habits for me and my family. I am more informed now."
- "Este programa afectado mi vida en una manera positivamente para mejorar la higiene bucal de mis hijos y los míos."
- "This program was very informational. I will better care for myself and my children. Keep moving forward!"



# Give Kids a Smile

Give Kids a Smile (GKAS) 2023 was KinderSmile Foundation's 16th annual event! We launched on GKAS Day at all three Dental Homes, KSCOHC Bloomfield, Newark, and Trenton, and continued to honor the activities throughout the month of February, celebrating National Children's Dental Health Month!

We served a total of **737 uninsured and underserved children** from Essex and Mercer Counties and beyond, providing oral health education, preventive, and comprehensive dental care. We provided **Oral Health Education to an additional 713 children**. The value of care was an astounding **\$455,790.03** for the services provided to children!

We are grateful to Delta Dental of NJ Foundation for the continued support of KSF's GKAS event. Thank you to the Boys and Girls Club of Newark, NJDA, ADA, and all of our professional Give Back a Smile and Community Service Learning program volunteers who took part in this month-long event.

Thank you to the amazing representatives from Delta Dental who volunteered at all 3 sites, Horizon volunteers who joined the Newark BGCN team at partnering schools for Oral Health Education, Liberty Dental for donating oral health materials for school visits, and representatives from Aetna who were stationed at all 3 Dental Homes to help families navigate the Medicaid applications, with the 2023 expansion of NJFC that includes all qualified children regardless of immigration status.



## Smiles for Seniors

In year two of our Smiles for Seniors Health and Wellness Program we concentrated on medical-dental integration, and incorporated medical screenings for systemic illnesses. NJ Advanced Home Diagnostics Mobile Lab Techs provided A1C and BP testing, as well as health and wellness interactive lectures on diabetes, hypertension, and lifestyle choices in marginalized communities. We ensure a link to a medical home in addition to the prompt link to our Dental Home for oral health education, preventive, and comprehensive care, including but not limited to exams, radiographs, cleanings, extractions, fillings, partial, and complete dentures.

Qualified participants are recruited through continued and growing partnerships with Trenton area organizations. This grant-supported program provides in-kind care to 30 uninsured or underinsured patients. In 2023, 121 senior residents aged 60 and older were treated at KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Trenton. Thank you to Friends Foundation for the Aging for enabling us to provide access to care and improve the smiles of this growing at-risk community.









# Our Legacy

## Toothache: The Painful Truth About Oral Health Care Inequity

This year culminated with the dual premiere of KinderSmile Foundation's documentary, *Toothache: The Painful Truth About Oral Health Care Inequity*. The film reveals the disparities in access to oral health care for marginalized communities in New Jersey, bringing attention to the need for change, and advocating for a call to action.

KinderSmile Foundation honored Dr. Darwin Hayes, Deborah Sands Gartenberg, Dr. Sara Kalambur, and Dorrie Gagnon at the events, for their commitment to public health and to advancing oral health equity in vulnerable communities in New Jersey.

Thank you to our panelists for helping place oral health care in the forefront through meaningful discussions and these select remarks:

### **Dr. Nicole McGrath-Barnes, Founder & CEO, KinderSmile Foundation:**

"In 2007 KinderSmile Foundation was established to provide access to oral healthcare for underserved and uninsured children and families in the marginalized communities. Our focus: education, intervention, and prevention. In 2016, nine years later, I had a dream. I had a dream of creating a documentary and using it as a platform for our village, to share their real stories of oral health disparities that continue to plague our forgotten community. This documentary is educational, informative, and real."

"I always say 'you don't know what you don't know.' I think viewers didn't realize the impact that lack of access to oral health can have on total health, and even lead to death. The disconnect once again. When you're not in a marginalized community, or you're not serving those in marginalized communities, you don't know, you really don't know. I wanted to make sure that the viewers understood that these are forgotten communities and their stories are real. I wanted to educate the audience on where we are in the state. Yes, we've made some great strides, but there is so much more that we have to do. Oral health has to be a priority to the state. They have to understand the importance of oral health being the gateway to total health."

### **Dr. Darwin Hayes, NJ State Dental Director, Oral Public Health & PostGrad Education Strategist:**

"There is a misconception that your mouth is disconnected from your head. That it is separated. That challenge still exists. It will exist on Monday when physicians, unfortunately, just don't have any connection with oral health. In addition to that, the challenge also stems from the nomenclature of oral health consultants or providers... that nomenclature is still very prevalent, and it shows that separation, rather than dentists being physicians of oral health."

"One opportunity for students to start to see the importance of public health related to the care that they are providing, and an opportunity for those that want to advocate and be leaders in a space where not only does their clinical expertise helps somebody, but their willingness to advocate and talk to legislators about differences in things that need to happen. If we don't have more of those individuals doing that, then it won't happen. The changes won't happen."

### **Dr. Hazel Harper, Founding Director, NDA-HEALTH NOW, Co-Founder Deamonte Driver Dental Project:**

"It was clear in the documentary that after the death of Deamonte Driver, that Maryland made a change. You never like to feel that it was in the face of a tragedy that people finally were able to get the message and come together. But sadly, that is what happened. Fortunately, all the right people were in the right place at the right time because that work was going on concurrently. The dental groups, the dental organizations, the politicians, the legislators, the folks in the health department, everybody was working because we were all in such shock. We all rolled up our sleeves and just activated, just started working. And then finally, Governor O'Malley said, fix this. Now, that's all really that anybody needed to hear. Governor O'Malley said, fix this. All of you all tell me what needs to be done in order to fix this!"

### **Dr. Debony Hughes, Director of the Office of Oral Health, Maryland Department of Health:**

"From my viewpoint, what was the audience most surprised by? That we are still, it's 2023, and we are still having this conversation. I am astounded to see that the inequities still exist. There are so many conversations about health equity. We can't have real conversations about health equity unless we say that this health system is completely inequitable. How do you expect providers to provide quality service to patients when you're paying them pennies on the dollar? It is not reasonable."

"You have to have legislative support, because that is where the funding is controlled. But you also have to have strong advocates. And so in Maryland it was legislatively mandated that we bring stakeholders together again to look at where we are and what are still the needs, because we know that they exist."

### **Marie-Gina Brown, RN, East Orange Child Development Corporation (EOCDC) Head Start:**

"I think what surprised the viewers the most is that a child died from lack of care. That it is just not acceptable to have to go search for care, to go to an emergency room to see if you can get care. It's just not acceptable."

"As a HeadStart nurse, I have to educate, become their advocate, and help the parent become the advocate for their child. I say to the parents 'you are their voice. They cannot say anything. So you need to be their voice.' Education, education, education is the biggest thing with our families."

### **Kathy Smith, MA, CHES, Program Director, Partners for Health Foundation:**

"I hope the viewers were surprised that it takes grants and donations to provide care at KinderSmile Foundation. Instead of having Medicaid reimburse at a fair market rate, or close to a fair market rate. But the idea that children in our state need to rely on grants and donations for preventative care is, well, it's a tragedy."

"We have to get this in front of more stakeholders and bring people together. New Jersey just did that fabulous expansion of family care. But if there are not enough providers, it doesn't meet the need. So to meet the need, we need better reimbursement."



# Doing Our Part

## Roadmap to Improving Access to Oral Health Care in the State of New Jersey

We have prepared a Roadmap to raise awareness of the disparities in access to oral health care in New Jersey, and introduce resolutions that will improve oral health outcomes for marginalized communities in the state. It outlines the need to include a line item in the state budget that is dedicated to oral health, fund a permanent state dental director with a fully staffed department, and advocate for policy changes such as oversight and regulation of Medicaid, ensuring equitable reimbursement fees from New Jersey's Managed Care Organizations (NJ FamilyCare).

We need to work together as a state to repair the broken oral health system, and prevent a tragedy like the death of Deamonte Driver from Maryland, before it occurs in our own state.

## NJ's Medicaid Expansion

One of the strides that the state of New Jersey has taken in 2023 was to expand Medicaid and NJ FamilyCare benefits to include all qualified children, regardless of immigration status. We hosted representatives from various Managed Care Organizations at our Dental Homes, to help our families navigate the Medicaid application process, in order to ensure their smooth transition to receiving medical and dental benefits.

## MOM Project

The MOM (Maternal Oral Medical) Project, was introduced to legislation as Senate Bill S-4153, and proposes to mirror KinderSmile Foundation's own Perinatal Health and Wellness Program, scaled on a state-wide level. We wrote this bill in collaboration with NJHCQI as a three-year pilot demonstration project, which would include partnerships with the NJ Department of Health and the three NJ Maternal Consortia, seeking to improve maternal and child health outcomes by providing oral health education and dental care services to underserved pregnant women in New Jersey. The project includes data collection and analysis to assess the effectiveness of the program on improving maternal health outcomes.

**Oral Health Plan 2023-2028** was written under the leadership of Nashon Hornsby and Dr. Darwin Hayes, in collaboration with various oral health stakeholders in the state, including KinderSmile Foundation. The plan, pending approval, outlines various measures, necessary changes, and initiatives, including the expansion of KinderSmile Foundation's Give Back a Smile Program to all 21 NJ Counties.

## Workforce Development and Mentorship in Public Health Through Partnerships and Internship Opportunities

"As my time as an intern at KinderSmile Foundation comes to an end, I find myself reflecting on the incredible journey I've had with all of you. These past few months have been nothing short of inspiring, and I wanted to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude for welcoming me into your family. From the very beginning, I was struck by the warmth and camaraderie that defines the KinderSmile culture. Each one of you has contributed to making this experience both enriching and enjoyable. Whether it was collaborating on projects, sharing insights during team meetings, or simply sharing a quick coffee break chat, I've learned so much from each interaction.

The passion and dedication that every team member brings to their work have left a lasting impression on me. It's truly motivating to be a part of a group that is so deeply committed to making a positive impact in the lives of children. Your unwavering commitment to creating healthier and happier smiles is a testament to the values that KinderSmile Foundation upholds.

As I move forward in my journey, I'll carry the lessons and memories from my time here with me. The challenges we overcame, the knowledge I gained, and the friendships I formed have all contributed to shaping not only my professional growth but also my personal development. The insights and advice have been invaluable to me, and I'm grateful for the opportunity to learn under your wing.

Thank you once again for this wonderful opportunity and for making me a part of the KinderSmile family. I wish you all continued success, growth, and countless reasons to smile." -Pierre Belizaire, CSLP Student Intern



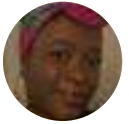


# KinderSmile Foundation Board

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# Thank You to Our Volunteers

## Community Service Learning Program (CSLP)

### Student Volunteers

Adriana Paldino	Kathurna Louis-Jean
Aesheyah Willis	Kisa Mulondo
Allison Lee	Layan natour
Amanda Der	Leilani Anchaluisa
Andrea Epelbaum	Maggie Ngai
Aseel Daboor	Manar Moussa
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Jianna Best	Zanub Rahman
Kalyani Samudrla	

## Give Back a Smile Program (GBAS)

### Professional Volunteers

Alan Layton, DMD, Endodontist  
Anjana Gowda, DDS  
Ayanna Bradshaw-Sydnor, DDS  
Dawn Forbes, DDS, Pedodontist  
Katheryn Goldman, DMD, Pedodontist  
Morgan Choe, DMD, Pedodontist  
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Richard Kahn, DDS, Periodontist  
Dorrie Gagnon, RDH  
Iris Novas Cooney, RDH  
Melka Argaw, RDH



## Days of Service and Fundraisers

Assemblywoman Verlina Reynolds Jackson Oral Health Drive at MCEA  
Caldwell University Fundraiser  
First Bank Winterwear Drive  
Fox Rothchild Winterwear Drive  
Montclair State University 9/11 and MLK Days of Service  
Rutgers School of Dental Medicine Fundraiser  
Seton Hall Prep Day of Service  
Seton Hall Prep KSF Club Fundraisers  
SUNY Stony Brook Pre-Dental Society Fundraiser  
Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine Students Fundraiser



"I think when we talk about comprehensive health care, oral health care should be a part of it. When was the last time those medicaid rates have been changed? We talked about this early on, why some dentists don't want to take Medicaid. It's because the rates are so low, and it costs more to provide the services. So we have to address that internally and having legislation, we can do that. We can get more dentists to be able to provide the service if they were also compensated for it. We want to be able to have a thriving practice, but it doesn't operate for free, so New Jersey needs to step up and do its part too, and that is increasing that rate."

**-Assemblywoman Verlina Reynolds Jackson, 15th Legislative District, *Toothache***



# Grateful to Our Grantors

On behalf of the entire KinderSmile Foundation village, we express our heartfelt gratitude for your steadfast support. Your generosity brings hope and smiles to those who need it most. Philanthropic contributions in the form of grants and donations are essential for the sustainability of our organization, and for enabling us to provide access to oral health care to our community. On behalf of over 7,000 smiles served in 2023, thank YOU!



**George H. & Estelle M. Sands Foundation \$415,000** Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Trenton



**Delta Dental of NJ Foundation \$145,000** Supports: KSOHP with Link to KSCOHC Bloomfield, Newark, and Trenton; Intro to DA Program; GKAS



**City of Trenton ARP \$100,000** Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Trenton



**Partners for Health Foundation \$50,000** Supports KinderSmile Community Oral Health Center Bloomfield



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



**The Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey \$45,000** Supports KinderSmile Oral Health Program with Link to a Dental Home at KSCOHC Bloomfield



**NJ Department of Health \$35,460** Supports Caries Prevention Program for Children 5-18



**Jewish Women's Foundation \$25,000** Supports Perinatal Health and Wellness Program at KSCOHC Bloomfield



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



**Friends Foundation for the Aging \$25,000** Supports KinderSmile Foundation's Smiles for Seniors Program at KSCOHC Trenton



**AAPD Foundation \$20,000** Supports KinderSmile Oral Health Program with Link to a Dental Home Bloomfield, Newark, and Trenton



**Zvilin Fund of the Princeton Area Community Foundation \$2,000** General Support for KSCOHC 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 with Link to a Dental Home Bloomfield



**Bloomfield Community Development Block Grant \$5,000** Supports KSOHP with Link to a Dental Home for uninsured children of Bloomfield



**Provident Bank Foundation \$5,000** Supports KinderSmile Oral Health Program with Link to a Dental Home Newark



**Investors Bank Foundation \$2,500** Supports KSOHP with Link to a Dental Home for uninsured children of Bloomfield and Newark



**Overlook Foundation \$2,500** Supports KinderSmile Oral Health Program for uninsured and underserved children at GRACE Summit



**Howard Gilman Foundation \$2,500** Supports General Operating Expenses



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



**National Children's Oral Health Foundation America's ToothFairy \$1,000** Supports In the Gap Grants for uninsured children



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