

To Provide Children in Need With a Life-Changing Dental Experience Through The Power of Sports

# That's A Wrap On 2024



**25** 

**Programs** 



3,910

**Children Served** 



\$1,231,194

**Free Care Provided** 



2,921

Volunteers Donated Time



1,603

Children Connected
To A Dental Home

# ☐ One Child. One Smile. One Life Changed. ☐ As 2024 comes to a close, we reflect on the remarkable impact we've achieved together. This year, every smile we've created represents a brighter future for a child—filled with health, confidence, and hope. ☐ Your support has made it all possible. ☐ From providing essential X-rays to life-changing dental care, your generosity has shown these children that

they are seen, valued, and loved. But the journey continues. In 2025, we're expanding our programs to reach even more underserved children in need. With your help, we can bring

brighter smiles and brighter futures to even more lives.

 $\Box$  Let's make this season of giving count!  $\Box$  Join us in finishing the year strong. Donate today and be the reason a child smiles tomorrow! Thank you for believing in this mission. Together, we're changing lives—one child, one smile, one life at a time.  $\Box$ 

#### DONATE TODAY

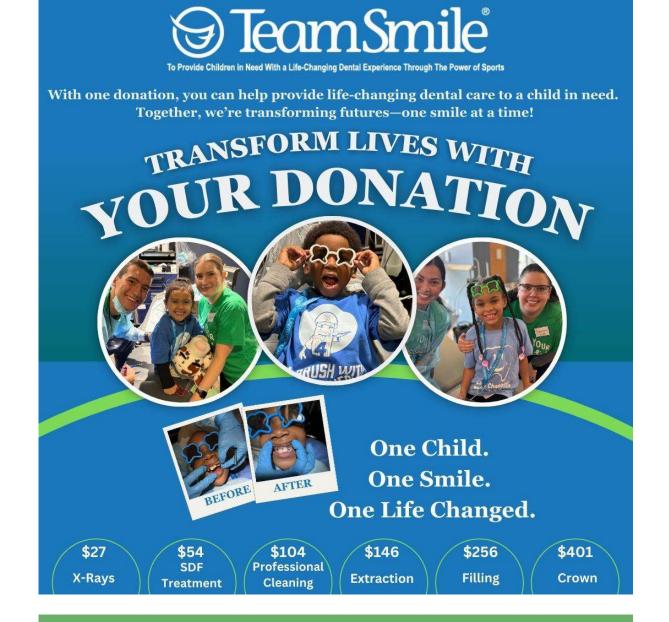


#### From Eric Shirley, Chairman of the Board, TeamSmile

This year, TeamSmile conducted programs with teams from the NFL, MLB, MLS, Minor League Baseball, sports festivals, and several other professional sports organizations. Our programs are like nothing else – the power of sports and the generous donation of time and skill from our clinical volunteers – coming together to provide a life-changing dental experience. Our founder and Board Member, Dr. Bill Busch, is still our guiding light – constantly reminding us that the power of sports can bring children into an environment where oral health is comfortable, thorough, and life-changing. We ask that you keep TeamSmile in mind as you consider making year-end charitable donations. Every donation makes an impact and enables TeamSmile to continue generating smiles on children's faces, while they are receiving much-needed dental care. You may make your tax-deductible contribution through our End-Of-Year Campaign or our main website TeamSmile, or by sending a check (made out to TeamSmile) to 422 Business Park Lane, Riverside, MO 64150. Contributions received or postmarked by December 31, 2024, will be tax-deductible in the 2024 calendar year. (Tax ID #75-3250075).

The TeamSmile Board of Directors and Staff would like to wish you a Happy Holiday Season and a Healthy New Year. Thank you for all that you do for TeamSmile.

With sincere thanks, Eric Shirley Chairman, TeamSmile Board of Directors



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# SKYCEN

As a transformative leader in dental and vision benefits management and administration for more than 30 years, SKYGEN believes innovation and compassion together create dental care experiences that can spark healthy oral care habits for life, one smile at a time.

"The people at SKYGEN have been wonderful to/for TeamSmile. They are a National Partner, and also support multiple individual TeamSmile programs throughout the country. Because of this partnership, TeamSmile has been an active participant in the SKYGEN Summit, and we're very grateful. We're really fortunate to be surrounded – and supported – by such wonderful people and a thriving, impactful company."

John McCarthy, Executive Director, TeamSmile



#### **SHOP NOW**







The Delta Dental Community Care Foundation has been a proud supporter of TeamSmile events in our 15-state service area and the District of Columbia since 2016. Partnering with TeamSmile enables the Foundation to fulfill our mission of increasing access to care, educating kids about good oral health care habits, and creating healthy smiles that last a lifetime.

"Delta Dental has been supporting TeamSmile for many years, and have evolved into one of our most prominent partners. It's been wonderful to learn how Delta Dental invests in making the world a better place. The support from Delta Dental will help our growth in the coming years, and we are tremendously grateful for their support." John McCarthy, Executive Director, TeamSmile



## Staff Highlight



We're thrilled to introduce Patrick Bauer, who joined the TeamSmile family in November as our Equipment & Warehouse Manager. Patrick has already made a tremendous impact on our team, bringing a wealth of energy, organization, and dedication to his role.

In this position, Patrick oversees the essential logistics that keep our mission running smoothly, ensuring that all our equipment is maintained, prepared, and ready to serve children in need. We're excited to see how his contributions will help elevate TeamSmile as we grow and expand our reach in the coming year.

Please join us in welcoming Patrick to the team! We're grateful to have him on board

and look forward to seeing all the great things we'll accomplish together.

"I chose TeamSmile because of its incredible mission to positively impact children's lives through free dental care nationwide. I'm excited to be part of a team making such a meaningful difference. My experience so far has been inspiring and fun. I've loved seeing the dedication and passion everyone brings to each event, as well as the smiles on the children's faces as they receive the dental care they deserve. I'm looking forward to helping the organization grow and ensuring we reach as many children as possible. It's an honor to contribute to such important work!" Patrick Bauer

#### Meet Patrick







"Because of the support of Dental XP, TeamSmile is now able to offer continuing education credits to our volunteer dentists and hygienists. Frankly, we're thrilled with this partnership, and we're tremendously grateful to Dental XP for making this become a reality for TeamSmile and all of those dentists and hygienists that volunteer for TeamSmile programs throughout the country."

John McCarthy, Executive Director, TeamSmile



"We are so grateful to Brian Jones and the Avesis team for their support of TeamSmile and the children that we serve. Their enthusiasm for our charity is obvious, and it's a pleasure to work with people who are so passionate."

John McCarthy, Executive Director, TeamSmile

"Partnering with Team Smile is an incredibly rewarding experience. Using the power of sports to create a positive, uplifting experience for kids who may never have seen a dentist is truly meaningful. Beyond providing immediate care, we strive to connect families with long-term dental resources in their communities, ensuring that every child has the opportunity for a healthier future. We are also committed to building lasting capacity by partnering with dental schools, local clinical teams, and community-based organizations, creating sustainable pathways for ongoing care and community empowerment."

**Brian Jones, Chief Growth Officer, Avesis** 







#### **Meet Mike: More Than a Driver**

At TeamSmile, we believe every member of our team is extraordinary—and Mike Hragyil is no exception. Hailing from the small rural town of Amsterdam, MO, Mike's journey has been one of service and dedication. After enlisting in the Navy in 1997, he served as a Seabee in Equipment Operations until 2001. Transitioning to civilian life, Mike built a career relocating military families across the country, a profession he's proudly upheld for 24 years. When asked about driving for TeamSmile, Mike shares, "I didn't know what to expect, but I really enjoy the purpose behind it. I have six kids, so I feel helping kids is where I belong."

To TeamSmile, Mike is affectionately known as our "Official Driver," but he's so much more. Beyond transporting and unloading our equipment, Mike has become an integral part of every program. He assists with setup, teardown, and anything else we need—from working the pre-rinse station to helping with sterilization. "I enjoy working with people who are knowledgeable about their jobs," Mike says. "The TeamSmile crew are rock stars. They work so hard to make these programs the best. They're the best bunch of people I've worked with in my life. I feel a



sense of pride to be part of helping young children get the dental care they need. TeamSmile is an organization that truly cares and helps kids at no cost. Seeing the time and effort it takes to do these events makes me even more honored to be part of this mission."

Thank you, Mike, for your unwavering dedication and heart. You remind us all that what we do is about more than dental care—it's about making a lasting difference in the lives of children.

#### Thank You vVardis

vVardis will provide Curodont at all TeamSmile programs through February 2025. Curodont Protect is a remineralizing dental gel for in-office and at-home use. It helps prevent dental cavities and protects against painful sensitivity.

"We're thrilled to bring vVardis on board as a new TeamSmile partner. We've immediately begun integrating their amazing Curodont product – potentially a game-changer in the industry - into our TeamSmile programs."

John McCarthy, Executive Director



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#### DENTAL HOME PROJECT

The TeamSmile Dental Home Project, powered by DentaQuest, bridges the gap between at-risk children and essential dental care resources, fostering long-term relationships with dental professionals. This initiative has already connected almost 4,000 children with a dental home within their communities, illustrating the profound and lasting impact such programs can have on the health and well-being of underserved youth nationwide. By partnering with compassionate dentists willing to accept Medicaid or provide services at no cost, TeamSmile addresses immediate dental needs and lays the groundwork for healthier futures. As we strive to expand our reach and



connect even more children with dental care, the collaborative efforts of volunteers, dentists, and corporate partners remain crucial in achieving our mission of enhancing children's oral health. Together, we can create a transformative ripple effect that ensures every child has access to the dental care they deserve.

For More Information or to partner with TeamSmile as a Dental Home:

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Remember, every contribution counts and can lead to a brighter, healthier future for underserved children!

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