

HOW DOES YOUR DONATION HELP?



Funding cleft care outreach programs to underserved areas of the developing world

2019: 6 missions to 4 countries

Individual health evaluations to determine the best plan of care for each patient

2019: 1000+ patients underwent screening



Corrective surgeries--many patients undergo up to 4 procedures

2019: 358 surgical procedures for 285 patients

Dental and orthodontic treatment

2019: 3,786 dental procedures for 576 patients



Speech therapy and feeding consultations

2019: 520 speech therapy sessions, including 144 feeding consultations

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GLOBAL SMILE FOUNDATION

For the past 33 years, GSF volunteers have been dedicated to making first-class comprehensive cleft care accessible for all patients regardless of geographic or socioeconomic barriers.

Our mission is to provide comprehensive cleft care for underserved patients in developing countries where the consequences of cleft lip and palate are devastating if left untreated.

GSF teams are staffed by volunteers—skilled & experienced surgeons, nurses, pediatricians, dentists, anesthesiologists, speech pathologists, & psychologists from leading medical institutions.



Angel, before and after his initial surgery in 2019

We believe that treating cleft requires long-term care that goes beyond providing fragmented corrective surgeries to include the full range of care that a patient would receive in developed countries—from pre-surgical dental orthopedics & feeding counseling to dental & orthodontic services, speech therapy, & psychosocial support.

ABOUT CLEFT LIP/PALATE

Cleft is one of the most common congenital birth defects in the world. On average, cleft occurs in 1 of every 700 live births.

Without proper care, children suffer a lifetime of obstacles—physical, emotional, and social.