

A Beautiful Smile is Simply...Priceless®







Sham's transformation 2016-2020

GLOBAL REACH, INDIVIDUAL IMPACT

Global Smile Foundation (GSF) is dedicated to changing the lives of underserved patients born with cleft lip and/or palate by improving global access to the best quality of comprehensive care possible.

Based on *more than three decades of experience*, the GSF approach has evolved into five focus areas:

1. Integrated & Individualized Care

GSF provides free comprehensive cleft care for over 1,000 patients annually, enabling them to overcome the physical, mental, and socio-economic burdens that would other limit their lives.

2. Continuity of Care Over Time

Children born with cleft require care throughout their childhoods. By returning to each mission location annually, often with many of the same volunteers, GSF is able to give personal and consistent support to each patient and family.

3. Empowerment & Sustainability

By providing education and training during annual missions, GSF is able to share knowledge with onsite healthcare providers and thereby enhance the quality of care for the surrounding communities.

4. Global Reach

Empowering cleft care providers through educational efforts leads to better patient outcomes on a scale that surpasses what any individual NGO can accomplish alone.

5. Unity & Collaboration

We believe in working collaboratively with other organizations in the cleft and craniofacial fields to improve the efficiency and impact of outreach cleft care.









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HEALTHY SMILES, HEALTHY LIVES

Our teams of medical volunteers provide integrated and individualized care to GSF patients on annual outreach programs to underserved areas of developing countries.

Your support empowers *life-changing care* for GSF patients. Every dollar donated makes it possible for our volunteer teams to give their time and expertise—*approximately* \$1.5-\$2 million dollars in donated medical services on every mission!

GSF transforms donations into action, using most contributions within 90 days on the ground at our outreach locations, in the two Cleft Centers we established in Ecuador and Lebanon, and through educational initiatives to improve the quality and availability of cleft care for patients around the world.

Even after the first surgery, a child born with cleft lip and/or palate already has a new chance for a healthy and full life.

The average cost of a cleft lip/palate repair is \$1,500—truly a small amount given the **life-changing impact** of cleft care.

You can be the reason a child smiles!

IMPROVING GLOBAL ACCESS TO CLEFT CARE

As part of our mission to improve global access to cleft care, GSF hosted the **3rd International Comprehensive Cleft Care Workshop** (CCCW) in October 2020. Held as a webinar due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the workshop drew more than 300 attendees from 39 countries for online sessions delivered by world experts. The workshop was co-hosted by GSF, Smile Train, and Sri Ramachandra.

Workshop attendees can immediately begin to integrate their learning into practice, and the impact is far reaching:

1 attendee sees 200 patients/year = **4,000 patients benefit** over a 20-year career



Visit www.cleftworkshop.org for more information

300 attendees, each sees 4,000 patients/year = **1.2 million patients benefit** over attendees careers