Progress Report #22

**March 2022** 



# **Looking Forward**

In 2022, Global Dental Relief celebrates reconnecting with the special children we have served for over 20 years. Trips continue to Kentucky, Mexico and Guatemala, and reopen in Cambodia, India, Nepal, and Kenya.

We hope you can join us during this heartfelt time of renewal. Both general and dental volunteers are needed as we revisit the **36,000 children under our care** globally.

In 2022, we unveil our **Oral Health Campaign**, giving each child oral health
lessons and a new toothbrush every year, either
during clinic or at a classroom visit. The goal
is to instill healthy oral hygiene habits in the
children, and by extension, their families and
the community at large.

We remain in awe of our donors, sponsors and volunteers who have gathered close in support of our vision of service to children. **To all of our GDR community**, **deepest thanks!** 

### 2021 by the Numbers

**DENTAL CARE FOR KIDS:** Volunteers treated 3,745 children with \$916,000 in donated dental care;

**VOLUNTEERS:** 97 volunteers served children in 10 dental clinics across the globe and domestically;

**NEW LOCATION:** 1,846 Mayan children were treated at our newest clinic in spectacular Akumal, Mexico;

**ORAL HEALTH EDUCATION:** 11,600 children received oral health education and a new toothbrush in 10 clinics and classroom visits in Kentucky, Guatemala and Nepal;

**FOOD SCARCITY:** 1.4 million meals provided pandemic relief to children and families in Nepal and Guatemala since May 2020--critical life support during these challenging global times;

**IMPACT:** For every \$14-18 donated, one child received \$292 in dental care or a family of 5 received food for a week;

Heartfelt thanks to all who served children in 2021!

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### **Looking Forward: Please Join Us!**

Global Dental Relief serves children in Kentucky, Mexico, Guatemala, Kenya, India, Nepal, and Cambodia. **Dental and general** volunteers are welcome! For project dates, itineraries and Covid protocol, visit www.globaldental.org or call us at 303.858.8857.



Many children globally live without access to dental care. Small cavities grow into serious decay and infection. Children in pain are unable to sleep, eat properly, or pay attention in school. GDR volunteers restore children to dental health, bright smiles, and an ability to thrive.

### Our Model of Care

GDR works with local schools to bring children to clinics, class by class. Each child receives an exam, all necessary dental care, oral health instruction, a fluoride treatment and a new toothbrush. Once dental health is restored, children return to the clinic every two years to ensure a childhood of healthy smiles.

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