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- Make a financial contribution.
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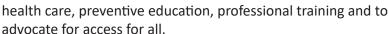
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We are Thankful for You

During this season of gratitude, we are thankful for all of YOU who help us to deliver critically important dental care to thousands of children and adults in need. We appreciate your steadfast support of our efforts to provide quality dental care to the people we serve throughout Minnesota. Thank you for your continued investment in our mission to provide culturally sensitive oral





Karen Flanagan Kleinhans, MHA Chief Executive Officer

Wright Smiles for Central Minnesota

Community Dental Care's new Buffalo dental clinic opened in September 2022 and is already making a significant impact serving hundreds of people in need. Within the first few months of opening, the clinic provided dental services for more than 2,000 patient visits!

The patients we serve in Buffalo:

- 91% enrolled in public programs
- 49% children under age 21
- 21% emergencies
- 94% new patients

Though the clinic is up and running, we still need your support! Your donation to the Buffalo clinic will help people in need because the patients we



Buffalo Dental Clinic Ribbon Cutting Ceremony September 16, 2022

serve have significant untreated dental disease and have trouble getting access to dental care. Your contribution will help us meet the needs of those suffering now in the community.

Make your tax-deductible gift at www.cdentc.org/donate

Community Dental Care

Every Gift Makes an Impact

\$5,000

Sustain our mission so we can continue to meet the needs of the underserved

\$1,000

Sponsor care grants for children or adults with acute dental disease

\$500

Cover the cost of restorative treatment for an uninsured or underinsured child in pain

\$100

Purchase oral hygiene kits (toothbrush, toothpaste, & floss) for children and adults in need

Olivia's Story



Olivia came in to our Rochester clinic as an emergency visit with pain on the upper right side of her mouth. When she arrived with her mom, you could see her entire right cheek was swollen and enlarged.

As Olivia sat in the dental chair, her mom shared that Olivia would often wake up in the middle of the night complaining of pain and a toothache—and that she wasn't eating as much because of the pain. She confessed Olivia had been complaining of pain for about a month, but she didn't know where to go for care. Upon initial evaluation, our dentist could see large cavities on two

teeth which would require urgent treatment. Olivia's mom is a single parent with limited financial means and no insurance.

Because generous donors like you give to our Care Grant Fund, we were able to provide treatment for Olivia's cavities at no cost to her mother. At the end of her appointment, Olivia's mother had a huge smile on her face and was so grateful for the care they received. She exclaimed, "Thank you so much for helping us!"

Whether it is a monthly, yearly, or a one-time gift, our donors make a difference for children like Olivia.

A monthly gift of \$25 will help support smiles all year-round.

Donor Spotlight: Dr. Stephen Litton



During his career spanning over 40 years, Dr. Stephen Litton served as a practicing orthodontist in the Twin Cities, as well as an assistant professor at the University of Minnesota Department of Anatomy. In addition, Dr. Litton has consistently dedicated his time in service to help others. Dr. Litton serves the community through nonprofit organizations, including Community Dental Care (Board Member), the Minnesota Dental Foundation (President), and Smiles Change Lives (Board Member).

"I am impressed by the impact Community Dental Care is making to provide access to underserved populations."

Since 2011, Dr. Litton has served as President of the Minnesota Dental Foundation, whose vision is to eliminate unmet oral health needs in Minnesota. When asked why he supports Community Dental Care, he shared "I am impressed by the impact Community Dental Care is making to provide access to underserved populations."

"We are so grateful to have such a distinguished dental leader as Dr. Litton on our Board, as well as a major donor to support our mission," remarked Karen Kleinhans, CEO, Community Dental Care. Dr. Litton recently made a major gift for the new Buffalo clinic, in honor of long time CFO Phil Lacher's retirement. "This gift to the Buffalo clinic will help thousands of people who are struggling to access adequate dental care."



Dr. Litton pictured with Community Dental Care Board of Directors and staff members at the Buffalo Dental Clinic Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on September 16, 2022

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Our Reach in the Community Thanks to Your Generosity

- Comprehensive dental care provided to **nearly 50,000 people** of all ages each year
- Community prevention programs for children and families in over 40 locations
- Patients come to our clinics from 63 counties throughout Minnesota
- \$1.5 million in charity care provided annually to individuals in need
- 65% of our staff are from diverse ethnicities and/or bilingual in 25+ languages

Thank you for sharing in our vision that all people should have access to high quality, affordable dental care to improve their overall health in a convenient, caring, and respectful environment.