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Give Kids a Smile (GKAS) at Tufts University of Dental Medicine would like to extend our deepest gratitude for your helping hand and happy smiles at this year's GKAS Day on March 25th, 2023!

Over 120 children received dental care and over 500 people stepped through Tufts Dental's door -- now that is what you call making a difference!

... and we couldn't have done it without YOU!





From the General Managers:

Dear Student, Faculty, Staff and Administrative Volunteers,

On behalf of my GKAS general managers and myself in particular, I want to thank you for your time, skills, and, most importantly, your generous heart. We could not have done this without you. With your help, we were able to touch close to I20 little ones' lives on the day of the event! Many of them, with language and access to care barriers that you helped break, so they could get the services they needed. Thank you for your hard work, positivity, endless meetings, and especially for making that day memorable.

Best Wishes,

Dr. Martha Forero

Dear Student, Faculty, Staff, and Administrative Volunteers,

We wanted to take the time to send you our sincerest thank you for making Give Kids A Smile, 2023, a huge success. Without your support, willingness to volunteer and contribution, none of this would have been possible. We know that there are many different ways to spend your weekends, and days off, and we thank you for choosing to help us give back to the community. All of your dedication to this event and our community hasn't gone unnoticed and we are so fortunate to have been able to work alongside you this year.

We are so grateful to announce that during GKAS 2023, we were able to see 120 patients, both in the clinic as well as in the Jumbo Smiles Fair on the 7th floor. What a huge success!

We look forward to our continued partnership with you for Give Kids A Smile 2024, next year as we hope to reach even more families and children!

Again, thank you for your continued support.

All the best,

Dr. Martha Forero, Bijal Amin, and Catherine Rayburn



From our Clinic Committee:

The day was such a success and would not have happened without each one of you all! We are happy to report that Give Kids a Smile brought in **over 120 children** whose precious smiles were delicately and devotedly treated by you all! This was such a great way to reintroduce this event for the first time since 2019!

Thank you SO SO much for your hard work this weekend! Your altruistic nature was shining bright during every moment in clinic! Thank you for your flexibility, adaptive nature, and willingness to stay overtime and help each other! It was truly beautiful watching so many work towards one goal! Thinking about how amazing you all are and how effortless you made my job truly brings tears to my eyes! Even if you were only with each child for a moment, the positive impact you left will last a lifetime!

If you will still be at Tufts next year, I hope that you all are already planning on volunteering for this event next year. If you are headed to your next destination, I wish you the best in all your endeavors and hope that you will continue to change the world of others through events like this!

Again, from the bottom of my heart, thank you so, I am forever grateful to you all!

"Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, and working together is success." – Henry Ford

Amber Courtney, Kayla Birde, Ashley Makala, Nickeisha Louis-Elias, Bria Etienne.



From our Jumbo Smiles Committee:

Greetings,

On behalf of Give Kids A Smile (GKAS), the Jumbo Smiles activities fair coordinators would like to thank you for your support with the GKAS event on March 25th, 2023 at TUSDM. Give Kids A Smile would not have been as amazing had it not been for your advice and helpfulness before, during and after the event. You helped make oral health education accessible and interactive by making this event memorable for the children and families. We enjoyed our collaboration with you and hope you will continue to support us in future GKAS events. Thank you again for all that you have done!

Jenny Truong, Natasha Gokal, Neetu Handa, Amanda Furbert





