The Story
Theron, 72, and Janice, 66, are a married couple living in southeast Kansas. They enjoy spending time with family and attending church. Sadly, both suffer from serious health challenges. Theron, a Vietnam War veteran, has multiple medical issues directly related to his time in the military. He has stage 4 kidney disease, Parkinson’s disease, type II diabetes, PTSD, rheumatoid arthritis and ischemic heart disease. Janice has type II diabetes, hypertension and mental health problems.

In addition, both Theron and Janice had developed oral health problems that were impacting their overall health. They had missing, decayed, and broken teeth and were in constant pain.

Though they were desperate for help, the couple could not afford the dental treatment they needed. Theron is retired and Janice has a part-time job at a local day care center with very limited income. They survive on Social Security benefits and a small pension and struggle to make ends meet. Their dental problems were impacting their health but the treatment they needed was out of reach. It seemed as if they had nowhere to turn for help.

How DDS Helped
Fortunately, Theron and Janice learned about the Donated Dental Services (DDS) program and they were linked with a team of generous volunteers:

- Dr. Joe Wommack performed multiple extractions and donated full upper and lower partial denture with framework for Janice and donated full upper and full lower denture to Theron.
- Oral Surgeon Dr. Michael Neilson performed eight extractions for Theron.
- Root Laboratory fabricated dentures for both patients at no cost.

“ My experience with Theron and Janice has been great. They both had numerous dental problems. They are very appreciative and I find satisfaction in knowing deserving patients’ needs are met.”

—Dr. Joe Wommack, DDS volunteer

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Fiscal Year 2017-2018

Patient Treatment

- 340 Patients Served
- 242 Patients on Wait List
- 352 Volunteer Dentists
- 76 Volunteer Labs

Financial

- Value of Care to Patients Treated: $891,345
- Average Value of Treatment/Case: $4,062\(^1\)
- Value of Donated Lab Services: $92,047\(^2\)

Since Kansas Program Inception (1996)

- Total Patients Treated: 3,700
- Total Value of Care to Patients Treated: $12,250,582

\(^1\) Average value is based on patients that have completed comprehensive treatment; does not include active patients, or patients who continue to receive ongoing care from their DDS volunteer.

\(^2\) Value also included in Value of Care to Patients Treated.

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