

Dental Lifeline Network • North Dakota Annual Report

The Story

Roberta, 60, lives in central North Dakota with her grandson. She had a long career in the service industry until multiple health problems forced her to stop working. To alleviate many of her health conditions, she had stomach surgery, but the remaining issues left her dental health in poor shape.

Most of Roberta's teeth were missing and those that remained were cracked and broken off at the gum line. She was in serious pain and it was impacting her ability to eat. Her physician was concerned about her nutritional deficiencies and recommended she seek immediate dental treatment.

Without a job or health benefits, Roberta could not afford to address her dental health. It seemed she had nowhere to turn for help.

How DDS Helped

Fortunately, Roberta was referred to the **Donated Dental Services (DDS)** program and she was linked with two generous volunteers:

- Dr. Alissa Hanson performed multiple extractions and donated full dentures.
- Jamestown Dental Lab fabricated the dentures at no cost.

“Everything was wonderful, all the staff made me feel welcome. They were awesome! I couldn't ask for anything better. It was a beautiful experience and I'm so glad to have been a part of it.”
—Roberta, DDS Patient

“It was a joy to treat Roberta. She always had a smile on her face and was extremely appreciative. The DDS program is important to me because I want to be able to help people that have no one else to turn to and to make a difference in their lives.”
—Dr. Alissa Hanson, DDS Volunteer



Dr. Alissa Hanson with Roberta

You can change a life

- You review patient case and decide
- You see patient in your office
- We coordinate lab donation and specialists



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North Dakota Donated Dental Services (DDS) is a program of Dental Lifeline Network, a national humanitarian organization and affiliate of the ADA, providing access to comprehensive dental care for people with disabilities or who are elderly or medically fragile and have no other way to get help. Nationally, 15,000 dentists and 3,500 laboratories volunteer for DDS.

North Dakota Donated Dental Services (DDS)

DDS is a Program of Dental Lifeline Network • North Dakota
and the North Dakota Dental Association

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Patient Treatment



Patients
Served



72

Patients
on Wait List



125

Volunteer
Dentists



15

Volunteer
Labs

Financial



Value of Care
to Patients
Treated
\$281,785



Average Value
of Treatment/
Case
\$4,776¹



Value of
Donated
Lab Services
\$28,967²

Since North Dakota Program Inception (2000)



Total
Patients
Treated
892



Total Value
of Care to
Patients Treated
\$3,302,191

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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