

# Dental Lifeline Network • North Carolina Annual Report



## The Story

Pamela, 66, is an Air Force veteran who lives in Granville County. After Pamela was discharged from the service she went on to work at an ophthalmologist office until her retirement. Now that she is retired, she enjoys volunteering with Habitat for Humanity and other organizations in the community, reading and doing yard work.

Pamela suffers from degenerative disc disease, hypoglycemic, PTSD and mental health issues. In addition to her health challenges, her dental health had deteriorated. Pamela had some teeth that were broken and missing and had problems with Temporomandibular joint (TMJ) syndrome, although she wears a night guard to help with pain. Surviving on a Social Security and VA benefit, Pamela was unable to afford the extensive dental treatment she needed. Although Pamela receives her health care through the VA, her dental care was not covered.

## How DDS Helped

Fortunately, the **Donated Dental Services (DDS)** program came to her aid and she was linked with two generous volunteers: Dr. Shelley Olson and Currin Dental Lab. Thanks to these kind volunteers, Pamela received thousands in donated treatment that restored her dental health.

“Pamela was a joy to work with! She volunteers her time to many organizations and events in Granville County, it was nice to be able to give her smile back.”  
—Dr. Shelley Olson, DDS volunteer



Dr. Shelley Olson with her DDS patient Pamela

“Thank you for all the work you did for me. It’s nice to be able to smile and show off my teeth again! Thank you so much for all the time and effort you spent getting it right.”  
—Pamela, DDS patient

*North Carolina Donated Dental Services (DDS) is a program of Dental Lifeline Network, a national humanitarian organization and a strategic partner 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.*

## Volunteer

Please Visit: [WillYouSeeOne.org](http://WillYouSeeOne.org)

Or contact: Trina Meyer  
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## Donate

Visit: [www.DentalLifeline.org/Donate](http://www.DentalLifeline.org/Donate)

## Purchase DentaCheques

To save money and make a difference, purchase a DentaCheques package at [www.DentaCheques.org](http://www.DentaCheques.org)

## Connect with us



DDS is a Program of  
Dental Lifeline Network • North Carolina  
and the North Carolina Dental Society

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## Patient Treatment (Fiscal Year 2017-2018)



Patients Served



Patients on Wait List



Volunteer Dentists



Volunteer Labs

## Financial



Value of Care to Patients Treated  
\$273,565



Average Value of Treatment/Case  
\$4,658



Value of Donated Lab Services  
\$21,405

## Since North Carolina Program Inception (2009)



Total Patients Treated  
958



Total Value of Care to Patients Treated  
\$4,695,742

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