Dental Lifeline Network • Alaska

ANNUAL REPORT

THE STORY

Frederick, 79, lives with his wife in Anchorage and is a Marine Corps veteran. He worked as an industrial commercial plumber and took on various odd jobs throughout his career to make ends meet.

Frederick has had several health challenges including being diagnosed with diabetes and heart disease, and his dental health needed attention. It had been several years since Frederick had been to a dentist, he was missing some crowns and had some teeth that had broken off, which was making it painful to eat. He sought help for his dental issues, but was unable to afford the recommended treatment plan. Frederick survives on a small Social Security benefit and struggles to make ends meet. The necessary dental treatment seemed beyond his reach.

HOW DDS HELPED

Fortunately, Frederick applied to the Donated Dental Services (DDS) program and was linked with three generous volunteers.

• Dr. Charles P. Michael provided an exam, cleaning, and donated a full upper denture and a lower partial denture.
• Oral Surgeon Dr. Jason Dashow extracted 14 teeth.
• GKY Dental Arts fabricated a full upper denture and a lower partial denture at no cost.

“\[I am so grateful for the dental work I received. Dr. Michael was a great dentist. I am able to smile again and eat without pain. Thank you for your help.\]”

– FREDERICK, DDS PATIENT

“I love providing good oral health care to people and hearing the patient’s stories and watching them grow.”

– DR. CHARLES P. MICHAEL, DDS VOLUNTEER
Alaska Donated Dental Services (DDS)
DDS is a Program of Dental Lifeline Network • Alaska and the Alaska Dental Society

FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019

Patient Treatment

![Teeth Icon] 66
Patients Served

![People Icon] 19
Patients on Wait List

![Doctor Icon] 97
Volunteer Dentists

![Dental Chair Icon] 22
Volunteer Labs

Financial

$194,648
Value of Care to Patients Treated

$4,077¹
Average Value of Treatment/Case

$16,540²
Value of Donated Lab Services

Since Alaska Program Inception (1994)

716
Total Patients Treated

$3,372,426
Total Value of Care to Patients Treated

¹ Average does not include treatment from DDS volunteer dentists who provided patients with initial restorative treatment and have elected to continue providing routine and ongoing care.
² Value also included in Value of Care to Patients Treated.

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