

Dental Lifeline Network • Maine ANNUAL REPORT



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THE STORY

Liz, 36, lives in Androscoggin County, and has lived in Maine her whole life. A mother of one, Liz suffers from significant health problems including asthma, and bronchitis, and a hormonal imbalance disorder with a myriad of symptoms affecting her daily life, as well as mental health challenges. She also underwent back surgery six years ago to address a bulging disc.

In addition to these health struggles, Liz's oral health presented another issue—having had all her teeth extracted in 2018 due to cellulitis in her gums, she experienced constant pain and ongoing infections. Liz survives on a social security disability benefit and food stamps. Sadly, with all of her income going toward bills and food, Liz was left unable to pay for the dental care she desperately needed to improve her oral health, and her self-esteem. Life-changing treatment was beyond her reach.

HOW DDS HELPED

Thankfully, a DDS volunteer dentist and laboratory stepped in to help.

Who Helped: Dr. James F. Helmkamp, a DDS volunteer and Maine Leadership Council member, provided an exam and x-rays, and fitted Liz with dentures provided by Jesse and Frichtel Dental Laboratory in Pittsburgh, PA. Together, these volunteers provided Liz with \$4,400 in donated treatment, restoring her dental health and her confidence. Together, these volunteers provided Liz with thousands of dollars in donated treatment, restoring her dental health and her confidence.



Dr. James F. Helmkamp (Auburn), ME Leadership Council member and DDS volunteer since 1999, with Elizabeth, one of his DDS patients.

"We all love treating the DDS patients because of their commitment and positive attitude to the treatment we provide."

- Dr. James F. Helmkamp,
DDS Volunteer

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DENTAL SCHOOL GRADUATE HONORED

Dental Lifeline Network partners with dental schools through the Brian D. Stone Memorial Award to recognize graduating students who are committed to volunteerism or to helping people with special needs.

2022 Recipient:

Dr. Jose Rafael Malang,
University of New England
College of Dental Medicine

Maine Donated Dental Services (DDS)

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FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 IMPACT

Patient Treatment



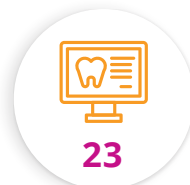
Patients Served



Patients on Wait List



Volunteer Dentists

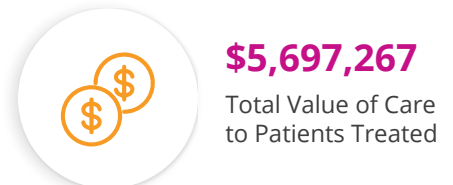


Volunteer Labs

Financial



Since Maine Program Inception (1999)



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.

Maine DDS

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