

Dental Lifeline Network • Maine ANNUAL REPORT



THE STORY

The Maine Donated Dental Services (DDS) program helps patients like Raymond, 69, who lives in Cumberland County. Raymond was a welder and pipefitter until he hurt his back in the mid 90's. After that, he was unable to work and became very depressed. Unfortunately, Raymond's dental health was another challenge. He was missing several teeth and others were broken, decayed, and infected. Unable to eat solid foods, he subsisted on nutritional drinks and had lost over 20 pounds as a result. Raymond desperately needed help with his declining dental health, but sadly, he could not afford the extensive treatment he needed on his own. Surviving on food stamps and a Social Security benefit, his fixed income is nearly consumed by his monthly living expenses, leaving very little leftover for any other needs. Dental treatment seemed far beyond his reach.

HOW DDS HELPED

This all changed when a team of DDS volunteers came to Raymond's aid. Dr. Matthew Jacobsen extracted 20 teeth and smoothed his jawbone in a hospital setting. Fortunately, Medicare covered the hospital room fee and anesthesia cost. Then, Dr. Anna Sweet and Port City Dental Lab partnered to provide full upper and lower dentures. Thanks to these caring volunteers, Raymond received thousands in donated treatment that restored his ability to eat and gave him a new reason to smile!

“ I'm looking forward to being able to eat normally again. I am able to smile again without embarrassment. My grandchildren are so happy for me. Thank you so much. -Raymond, DDS Patient ”

GET INVOLVED

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VOLUNTEER

PLEASE VISIT:
WhyIDental.org



Dr. Anna Sweet (Scarborough), DDS volunteer since 2014, with DDS patient, Raymond.

**LIVE YOUR "WHY"
AND LET'S DO GOOD
TOGETHER.**

There are patients on the waitlist across Maine who are waiting for treatment.

Making a difference is easy with DLN. Scan the QR Code, or visit WhyIDental.org to volunteer!



Maine Donated Dental Services (DDS)

DDS is a Program of Dental Lifeline Network • Maine
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FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 IMPACT

PATIENT TREATMENT



99

Patients
Served



85

Patients
on Waitlist



147

Volunteer
Dentists



17

Volunteer
Labs

FINANCIAL



\$309,795

Value of Care to
Patients Treated



\$5,489¹

Average Value of
Treatment/Case



\$37,798²

Value of Donated
Lab Services

SINCE MAINE PROGRAM INCEPTION (1999)



1,662

Total Patients Treated
Statewide



\$6,076,019

Total Value of Care to Patients
Treated Statewide

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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