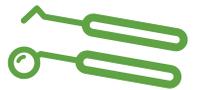




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YOUR GIFTS GAVE JANETTE

HOPE in the midst of pain



Janette had been avoiding the dentist for years due to financial constraints. Not only was the cost prohibitive but she was also deathly afraid after having a traumatic experience at the dentist when she was a child.

Janette arrived at our clinic tearful and in an incredible amount of pain. She felt powerless; until now she didn't know how she would afford to get the care she needed to relieve her pain.

That's when you provided Janette Hope.

Your gifts gave her the care and compassion she so desperately needed.

Our skilled and caring dentists were able to swiftly extract her teeth and provide her with much-needed relief.

After the surgery, Janette was overjoyed. She was unable to speak but the expression of gratitude on her face was unmistakable as she gave a heart sign, to our staff and volunteers.

After feeling hopeless for what seemed like an eternity, she was suddenly filled with an abundance of happiness and hope.

Thanks to your kindness and thoughtfulness, our clinic is able to provide Janette—and many other people in need—with free dental care.

Without this critical care, members of our community would remain in dire straits, unable to access the resources, services, and support required to live normal, healthy lives.

Your generous donations bring renewed hope and the promise of a brighter future to the many individuals and families in our community.

Thank you for giving hope to Janette and so many others in our community!

Meet Dr. Hermanson

“I feel like the richest person in the whole world.”

We recently sat down for a chat with Dr. Hermanson and this was just one of the kind things she said about volunteering at Hope.

After retirement Dr. Hermanson found herself with more time on her hands and a willingness to give back to our community. She was aware of Hope Dental Clinic but hadn't visited since we moved to our current location on Minnehaha Ave.

“It's a very modern and pleasant place to work”

The reason she keeps coming back is the feeling of being to make a difference in someone's life in a unique and important way.

She told us the story of one woman who had to have almost all her teeth removed and how thankful she was in the midst of a difficult prognosis. Dr. Hermanson was able to help this patient with the extractions as well fitting her for dentures so she could smile again!

“Being a dentist, I can help in ways that not everyone can, so giving some time just makes sense” Dr. Hermanson shares “There's things you can do here that you may not do in your own office and the variety can be fun.”

To learn more about how you can get involved visit our [volunteer page](#).

You can view our entire conversation with Dr. Hermanson on our [Youtube page](#).

Message from Mike



Michael Dworak
Development Director

Because February is Nation Dental Health Month it's a good time to reflect on how important excellent, affordable, and accessible, dental care is for our children.

Case in point, Deamonte Driver. Deamonte needed a simple \$80 tooth extraction. His mother was not insured. Medicaid dentists were difficult to find, and the family lost their Medicaid coverage.

By the time he got help for his abscessed tooth, the infection had already spread to his brain. Following six weeks in the hospital and two operations, Deamonte tragically died.

It could have been prevented if access to quality care was available to them, and that's what Hope Dental Clinic provides.

This is not an isolated case, Recently a young boy came into Hope suffering from a severe oral infection; however, he was able to get the help and relief that he needed. Thanks to you who support Hope, his story ended much differently than Deamonte's.

Please join us as we work continue to provide vital dental services for free to those who are most vulnerable. [Give Now](#)

