

Support

Together we can battle the most common chronic childhood disease today,
Tooth Decay!

- * **Tell others** about the program
- * **Refer children** to our dental program (1 of 12 children in your community may qualify)
- * **Share our program** with your dentist (contact the HF office for brochures)
- * **Become a Prevention Donor:** \$50 will seal a tooth against cavities
- * **Sponsor a Visit:** \$250-\$500 provides for annual checkup & treatment
- * **Sponsor a Child:** Join others who make a \$1,000 or more for a childhood commitment (once a child is in our program they can receive services until age 21)
- * **Legacy Society:** Remember the HF in your life insurance policy, will or estate plan



Mail gift to HF office
or donate online at our webpage
www.hfgrotto.org

The Humanitarian Foundation is a 501c3 nonprofit organization.

Improving Quality of Life



My son Shawn is the light of my life, God sent him to me to adopt at 7 years old, "failure to thrive," weighing 18 lbs, with many disabilities. He was in a special needs school where he was an interpreter for the deaf and it was love at first sight. Many of the other staff loved him and called him "Little Man" and he developed a circle of loving people who became his family. Against all odds, Shawn has become a thriving, happy, adored and well-loved child.

Your dedication to funding dental treatment for Shawn was a gift of immense value; not only financially but emotionally and spiritually. Like other parents, I want Shawn to have everything he needs. Our first miracle was finding his dentist, our second miracle was finding your organization to help with the financial burden.

With deep gratitude
Caren & Shawn

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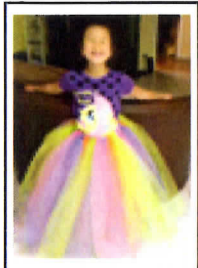
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**Providing Dental Care
for Special Needs Children**

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is a Masonic affiliated fraternal organization**



A History of Helping Children

The Humanitarian Foundation was started in 1949 by the Grottoes of North America with a focus on Cerebral Palsy research. Since 1969, the focus of the Dental Program includes children with

- o **Cerebral Palsy**
- o **Muscular Dystrophy (and related neuromuscular disorders)**
- o **Intellectual Disability** (at least 2 yrs overall delay)
 - **Down Syndrome**
- o **Organ Transplant Surgery**

In the past 5 years the Humanitarian Foundation:

- o **Served 6,023 children**
- o **Paid over \$4.1 million for dental services**
- o **Partners with over 300 dentists in 32 states and Canada**

The Need Continues to Grow

- 11 million children in the US have special health care needs – that's 15.1% of all children - CDC
- Tooth decay has increased by 15% in the past 10 years among kids ages 2 to 5 years old – Pew Center
- Dental care is the single greatest unmet need for health services among children – Dept. of Job & Family Services
- Cost for special needs children is higher than normal dental care with average cost of \$750/visit
- Once a child is accepted into the Dental Program, we can provide dental care until they are 21 years old
- The Dental Program supports both preventative and emergency care

Dental Care Program

Any child under the age of 21, regardless of race, creed, or color with a qualifying condition is welcome to participate in the program. The Dental Care Program is always the secondary carrier when primary insurance is involved. The program does not cover patients who are covered by Medicaid. The program does not cover any type of orthodontics, reconstructive jaw surgeries or implants. All dental treatment is required to be pre-authorized with the exception of: initial exam, x-rays, prophylaxis, and fluoride.

Parents: How To Apply

All forms/information can be found on our web site www.hfgrotto.org
Applications are submitted to a local Grotto Representative (Doctor of Smiles, a listing can be found on our website); your confidential application is then sent to the Humanitarian Foundation office for processing. If you can't find a representative in your area, call the Humanitarian Foundation office at: 614.933.0711 or email: www.hfgrotto.org

Dentists: How To Partner With Us

Forms/information are available on our web site www.hfgrotto.org