

Dear Potential Volunteer Dental Professional;

As you know, dental disease among children is preventable, yet it persists throughout the country in epidemic proportions. The patients that you are used to treating are probably on a pretty good regime of prevention stemming from educated family members who know and understand about the benefits of fluoride, regular cleanings and sealants. Low income people have not learned the benefits of regular brushing and flossing. This Clinic sees low income kids, every day, many of whom have more than 6-10 teeth with caries. The Kids' Community Dental Clinic strives to ensure that every low income and uninsured child has the opportunity to thrive without the pain and embarrassment of dental decay.

**Our Mission:** *The Kids' Community Dental Clinic is dedicated to providing affordable, quality dental care for children of the low income families in an environment that is conducive to treatment, prevention and education.*

**History & Background:** The Kids' Community Dental Clinic (KCDC) is an amazing nonprofit organization (since 2001) that offers low-cost, quality dental care to those children up to 18 years of age who meet established financial guidelines, e.g. uninsured and/or low-income, often with more than one child in the family. Volunteer dentists, dental specialists, hygienists, and hygiene students treat patients in a professional, yet personal atmosphere.

**Volunteer Schedule:** We have a lot of flexibility for you to select your schedule. Any time you give us would be well spent and rewarding. Most dentists volunteer 1 day each month for 4-8 hours. We have a few children who need specialists. If you are a pediatric dentist, oral surgeon, endodontist or periodontist, we still need your help! Call us at 818-841-8010 for more details!

**Staff Support & Supplies:** The Clinic provides all dental supplies you will need. If there are certain materials or supplies that you prefer to use that we do not have, we will try to provide it for you. Our facility has 3 dental chairs and all the equipment that goes with a practicing dental office. Also the Clinic provides wonderful dental assistants to aid volunteer dentists with all procedures. They are bilingual in Spanish and have great rapport with each patient and parents. Our goal is to make your service to the Clinic a satisfying and wonderful experience for you while providing a service to our community.

**Hygiene Program:** Pasadena City College's and West LA College's Dental Hygiene Programs both coordinate to provide students who perform hygiene services 2 days each week. This allows dentists to focus on restorative treatments.

We also invite you to tour the Clinic, located next to William McKinley Elementary School in Burbank at 400 W. Elmwood Street, 91506. Attached are the forms you'll need to start. Also, if you have a CV or resume, we'll need those, too. When you're ready to turn in forms, please call us to schedule a visit and tour. That way, you will get a first hand look at the Clinic does for the community! Thank you so much and we look forward to meeting you!

Respectfully,

Dale Gorman  
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