

**EVERY CHILD
DESERVES A
HEALTHY &
HOPEFUL FUTURE**



Adam in 2023 and as a baby in 2017

Cleft lip/palate is a common birth defect that impacts children, families, and societies around the world. Living with untreated cleft creates tremendous burdens, especially for people who already live with limited resources.

Without proper attention and support, individuals born with cleft encounter numerous challenges, such as:

- Higher likelihood of infant mortality
- Increased risk of malnutrition
- More health complications, such as respiratory infections and hearing loss
- Greater risk of living in poverty
- More frequent experience of bullying and stigmatization

Your support for Global Smile Foundation (GSF) empowers high quality integrated cleft care, offering a brighter and healthier future for those affected by cleft.

GSF provides comprehensive cleft care from birth to adulthood. Your donations helps our patients receive the care they need, including:



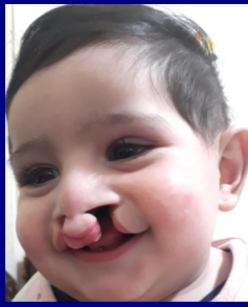
Moises in 2018 and 2024 (San Salvador)

- Pre-surgical orthopedics
- Surgery
- Feeding assistance
- Speech Therapy
- Dental care
- Nutrition assistance
- Psychosocial support
- Orthodontics

The Power of Cleft Care

Elias

His smile before surgery and after!



April 2023



May 2023



September 2023

Transforming Donations Into Patient Care

Our teams of expert medical volunteers provide integrated and individualized care to GSF patients on annual outreach programs to underserved areas of the Global South.

Every dollar donated makes it possible for our teams to give their time and expertise—approximately \$2-3 million dollars in donated medical services on every outreach program.

In 2022, your support for our outreach programs empowered GSF volunteers to provide **\$19.2 million dollars in donated medical services.**

Together, our GSF family of donors, supporters, volunteers, and friends can make a significant difference in the lives of our patients and their families.

Contact Lisa Crist to find out how you can make a brighter future possible for a child born with cleft. +1 (781) 971-7410 or lcrist@gsmile.org



Margaret Mead famously said:

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed, citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.”

The GSF team agrees. As a small group of individuals dedicated to changing the lives of people born with cleft, we know that by working together, we can enact powerful change. Join us to be part of the healthy smile journey!



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