

Restore a smile, restore a life.



GIVE BACK A SMILE
AACD CHARITABLE FOUNDATION INC.

2,100+ SMILES \$20M+ DONATED CARE 1999 SINCE

Thank you for your interest in Give Back a Smile (GBAS). Since 1999, volunteer dentists and labs have rebuilt the smiles of more than **2,000 survivors** of domestic and sexual violence. For these patients, damaged teeth are a daily reminder of what they survived. Your work helps close that chapter and gives back the confidence to smile in photos, look others in the eye, and walk into a job interview without fear.

"For the first time, I was actually treated like a human instead of just a victim."

What you'd be doing

GBAS provides prescreening, matching, and referrals.
You provide the dentistry.

You donate your time and skill to survivors with damaged or missing teeth from their abuse. You choose between **full-mouth** and **smile-zone** restorations. A few volunteer labs can assist, though many volunteers prefer their own.

Volunteers are expected to provide treatment consistent with the accepted standard of care, using their professional judgment to restore function and renewed self-confidence.

Who we serve

GBAS serves adult survivors of domestic and sexual violence. Our screening process encourages applicants to apply when they are at a point in their healing journey to be successful in treatment. GBAS does not provide any emergency dental or crisis services.

How it works

- 1 You receive an email from the case manager about a pre-screened survivor in your area.
- 2 If you accept, we send the **Referral Packet** with the patient's demographic and self-reported dental information.
- 3 The patient receives your office phone number 3–5 days later and calls to schedule their own consultation.
- 4 At the consultation, you decide clinically whether you can provide what the patient needs.
- 5 If yes, you proceed with treatment. If not, tell the case manager, who follows up with the patient to let them know the program cannot serve them.
- 6 Once your case is done, you'll complete a brief letting us know the value of your donated work and who was involved so we can properly thank them.

The program does not typically include treatment for severe decay, jaw injuries, pre-existing periodontal disease, implants, orthodontics, or repair of previous dental work. However, volunteer dentists may choose to donate treatment for these conditions at their discretion.

Applicants are pre-screened for eligibility. They must be at least 18 with dental injuries caused by:

- A former intimate partner or spouse
- Sexual violence (assault and/or rape)
- Human trafficking
- Other violent attacks or accidental dental injuries, while traumatic, do not qualify.
- The patient must be out of the abusive relationship or situation for at least one year.

Ready to restore a smile?

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