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A DONATION



Our Mission

Austin Smiles – The Austin Plastic Surgery Foundation is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide sustainable surgical and post-surgical care to children born with cleft lip and cleft palate both in Central Texas and Latin America.

Vision Statement

Our vision is to create a sustainable system of care by which patients are cared for before, during, and after their surgeries into adulthood. Through our partnerships, we ensure children born with cleft lip/palate receive all necessary services to optimize their opportunity to live fully productive lives.

Dear Friends and Supporters,

This year, we are truly grateful to Austin Smiles supporters and volunteers who give of their time, money, and talent to help transform lives. Without you, we could not deliver our life-changing services to local and international children in need. It has been an interesting couple of years with the pandemic, but we can honestly say that it has made our mission stronger and smarter. We retooled our systems and delivery of care so as to not compromise patient or volunteer safety. We are proud to say that Austin Smiles was **one of the only medical mission organizations delivering care abroad during the pandemic and we are poised to add a third medical mission site in 2023!** Austin Smiles also increased our mission locally, adding no-cost speech therapy, newborn and surgery-care kits, as well as delivering quarterly social and emotional programming.

Next year we celebrate 37 years of service and changing lives one smile at a time. Since our inception, Austin Smiles has **provided over 5,000 surgeries to children born with a cleft lip and/or palate** who might otherwise have gone without care.

We thank you for believing in Austin Smiles mission and helping us uplift and empower children with cleft lip and cleft palate both locally and internationally.

Kind Regards,

Renee Hanson Malone

**Renee Hanson Malone,
Austin Smiles Executive Director**





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In Latin America

149

Patients from 55+ different cities



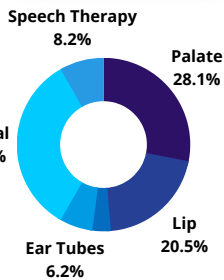
In Central Texas

800

Local children received care from 8 different Central Texas counties

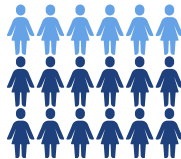


Breakdown of services provided



18

Global Public Health Interns



In-kind value of Internship hours: **\$32,000**

74

Medical & Non-Medical Volunteers

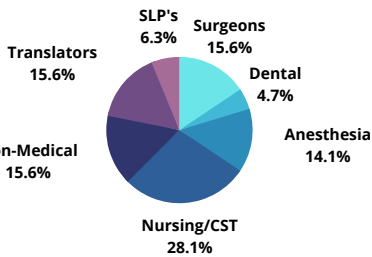
2,304 Donated volunteer hours

100+

Newborn & Surgery Care Kits provided



% of volunteer roles



90%

90% of campers said they made a new friend at Camp Amigo



64

Crates of Medical Supplies

40

No-cost Speech Therapy Sessions Provided



Value of services provided: **\$560,562**

Over **\$5,000** provided in basic needs assistance

ANDY'S STORY

El Salvador 2022



On every trip, there is a patient who captures the hearts of the entire team. During our trip to El Salvador our team met 3-year-old Andy. Andy was born with a bilateral cleft lip and palate, as well as syndactyl toes and fingers. Andy and his mother, Yolanda, traveled for 3 hours to get to San Salvador in hopes of getting his surgery. Dr. Mahlon Kerr and Dr. Ross Blagg operated on Andy's cleft lip and palate – about a 4-hour operation.

In an interview with Yolanda, she said "My dream is for my son to be operated on, and today my dream came true." Surgery can be terrifying for children, but Andy was not afraid. His playfulness had our volunteers smiling with him as he colored, blew kisses, and played with the team. His mother, Yolanda, said she felt nervous but hopeful and voiced that with this surgery, "Todo cambiará a partir de ahora," meaning everything will change as of now.

Andy is now fully recovered and still his playful self, his mother says, "I am happy because in no other place would they have done this for him." This is just one example of the life-changing impact surgery can have on a child's life. Andy will go on to be the person he was always meant to be, and live an inclusive, fun and productive life.



LOCAL IMPACT

Austin Smiles Central Texas Cleft Community provides no-cost wraparound care to over **800 patients annually**. We offer social & emotional programming, referrals, speech therapy, special needs assistance, newborn & surgery care kits, parent advocacy, and education. The impact of Austin Smiles programming can last a lifetime, as children make new friends and realize they are not alone.

Quotes from our local kids:

- "I feel like it is a safe space and I can be myself"
- "We can recognize there are more people like us"
- "It is good to be with kids like you"
- "It helps because it normalizes everyday life"

