



OPERATION SMILE

GOLD LEVEL



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Reference your official club name in the memo line of your check.

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Together, we can heal children's smiles! We believe every child suffering from cleft lip or cleft palate deserves exceptional surgical care.

Why worry about the smile? Children born with a cleft lip and/or palate face serious medical problems. The immediate concern for babies is if they are able to receive the proper nutrition to be healthy. Other issues facing children include speech development, hearing loss, and dental. Children often face serious cultural stigmas, too. In a safe surgical setting the defect can be easily corrected. However, for too many families in the world, safe surgery is not possible.

Each year, Operation Smile provides safe, effective, and well-timed surgery to more than 20,000 patients in 30+ countries. For the last 35 years, Operation Smile has provided hundreds of thousands of free surgeries for children and young adults in developing countries who are born with cleft lip, cleft palate, or other facial deformities.

As one of the oldest and largest volunteer-based organizations dedicated to improving the health and lives of children worldwide through access to surgical care, we work to build self-sufficiency and sustainable health care infrastructures through training, capacity building, and engaging in public-private partnerships in the countries where we work.

Your club can help heal children's smiles worldwide by joining Operation Smile to:

- Fundraise to help cover the cost of surgery, medical missions, education, and training.
- Fund a surgery – as little as \$240 can change a child's life forever!
- Host a fundraising contest, tournament, event, or charity auction.
- Request an Operation Smile Donation Box to collect change at the register of your favorite hot spot.



- Participate in our Service Projects to provide comfort to our patients during missions.
- Make Smile Splints (formerly No-No Armbands), children's hospital gowns, blankets/quilts/ afghans, and SmileBags for our patients.
- Collect needed items for our Child Life Therapy list and Smile Bag kits.
- Please help ensure your club gets credit for your donations by including your club name and contact information with each donation and by writing GFWC on the memo line. An inventory form or donation form are both available by contacting gfwc@operationsmile.org or 877-240-7196.

Thank you for helping us to give children bright smiles and brighter futures!