

2025 SmileTree/Climb for a Cause Nepal/Mexico Report



As we reach the end of 2025, we celebrate an amazing 19 years of partnership in support of oral health education and treatment in Nepal and Mexico. We are so grateful for your deep and shared dedication to bringing dental care to children in need around the world!

Thanks for your generous support, In 2025, volunteers completed 2 week-long clinics. Clinics were held May 2 – 9, 2025 in Kathmandu, Nepal, serving school children from surrounding charity and government schools, and from June 8, 2025 in Macario Gomez, Mexico, serving children from the Mayan zone situated in the central part of the Yucatan Peninsula.



Children in both locations lack access to dental care which is both physically and financially out of reach. In total, 947 children received critical dental care in SmileTree/Climb for a Cause clinics, often the first dental care of their young lives. The total value of donated dental care was \$236,300 (U.S. Equivalent).



During each sponsored clinic, children attended class by class from local schools. Each child received a dental exam, and all care needed to restore them to full dental health. They were also given a new toothbrush, repeated toothbrushing instruction, and preventive fluoride treatment.

For many children, multiple visits were needed to restore them to oral health and happy smiles. In Kathmandu, 58 percent of the children needed dental care and received on average \$223 in donated dental care (U.S. Equivalent). In Mexico, 85% of the children needed care, receiving \$306 (U.S. Equivalent) in donated care.

Care was provided by teams of volunteers who donated their time and talent to serve these children, led by experienced trip leaders. In total, volunteers included 9 dentists, 2 hygienists and 15 general volunteers. Volunteers formed strong, effective teams, working together to provide each child with care and comfort during their clinic visit.



SmileTree/Climb for a Cause helped provide the critical dental supplies in these clinics. Clinics used portable dental units run by compressors and were supported by generators when electricity was unreliable. Dental supplies included many small, expensive items for specific dental restorations, instruments for multiple types of procedures and the many

solutions and types of small equipment needed to safely sterilize instruments and maintain a safe and clean environment for care.

In total for 2025, there were 28 field clinics in 8 locations. It is only with the generous support of our wonderful supporters and volunteers that we are able to provide this care. We are deeply grateful for your ongoing support for this important work serving children.

Our deepest gratitude for your many years of dedicated support.



THANK YOU!