



PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Formally Incarcerated

About Us:

Smiles and Beyond is a nonprofit organization that empowers individuals through the gift of a new smile. All dental services are donated by dental offices and labs located throughout the valley. The operation of Smiles and Beyond is funded through donations.

Who we serve:

Individuals who have been formerly incarcerated AND have been referred to us through one of our partnering organizations (nonprofit programs for the formerly incarcerated, church programs, etc.).

Additionally, our program participants are those individuals who have turned their lives around and are now looking for a second chance yet feel that their current smile is holding them back from reaching their new life goals.

Finally, our program participants are those individuals who do not have dental insurance nor benefits and do not have other means to pay for dental care.

To be considered to participate in the Smiles and Beyond Program you MUST:

1. Be referred from one of our recognized helping organizations.
2. Be regularly attending therapy/support group.
3. Have a support system in place (secure living arrangement, family, sober friends, access to transportation to make all dental appointments, etc.)
4. Be free from last incarceration for no less than 12 months AND clean from drugs and alcohol for no less than 12 consecutive months.
5. Be working/or actively looking for employment/promotion; or attending an educational/trade program.

**Smiles and Beyond must assure our volunteer dentists and labs that they are donating their time, talents, and materials to those that have left their old life and are actively continuing along the path to lasting improvements toward becoming a productive member of society.*

6. Demonstrate a financial need with no viable alternatives, such as dental insurance, etc.
7. Remove (often permanently) any mouth/lip piercings (if accepted into the program).
8. Be able to provide, along with a completed application, the following:

(2) referral forms completed and signed:

1. One referral from a leader affiliated with the agency/program that has referred you (pastor, counselor, caseworker, etc.).

2. One additional referral from someone in your life that **can vouch for your character, commitment, and sobriety.**

*referral form templates are provided to applicants as part of the application process.

** applicants are given 14 business days to return completed application and two referrals.

If you believe you may be eligible to participate in our program, please call: 480-278-9651 to speak with our program services coordinator. Through our initial screening process, they will be able to determine if you are eligible to apply to the program and give you further instructions at that time.

IF YOUR APPLICATION IS APPROVED YOU CAN EXPECT THE FOLLOWING:

1. You will be contacted by our *Program Services Coordinator* informing you that your application has been reviewed and you have made it to the next round in the 'Smiles' application process.
2. The next step in the process is to attend an in-person interview & brief oral screening. Following the interview, you will be contacted by our *Program Services Coordinator* informing you as to whether you have been accepted into the program.
3. If accepted, the process of being assigned to a dental provider will be reviewed with you and along with completing a few additional steps (sign privacy documents, have before treatment photos taken, take a brief pre-treatment survey, and provide a **participation fee of \$500.00**. At that interview we will also be provided with the program participation expectations in greater detail.

****Smiles and Beyond reserves the right to refuse service to anyone.***