



APPLICATION PACKET CHECKLIST					
(IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE ALL COMPLETED DOCUMENTS ARE INCLUDED. ANY MATERIAL SUBMITTED AS PART OF THIS APPLICATION WILL <u>NOT</u> BE RETURNED.)					
Orthodontic Scholarship Application Form		"Pay It Forward" Plan – Handwritten by applicant			
Applicant Questionnaire and Information – Handwritten by applicant		Report Card from school			
Contract – Read and signed by applicant, caretaker and social worker		2 letters of recommendation – Could be from family, friends, teachers/coaches, counselors, CASA, dentists, etc., (with contact information)			
Commitment Letter – Read and signed by caretaker, CASA or social worker		2 Photos – (1) headshot with full smile and (1) close-up of fully exposed teeth from front (see below for examples)			





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ORTHODONTIC SCHOLARSHIP

Smile for a Lifetime (S4L) is an international program that provides orthodontic scholarships (free braces) to children ages 11-18 who normally would not be able to afford treatment. Select orthodontists in the area have formed a local chapter to serve children in Orange county. There is no cost to those chosen to receive an S4L orthodontic scholarship. Scholars are chosen by a local board of directors and the process is competitive.

Scholarships are limited and based on financial need, orthodontic need, community service, and a complete and accurate application.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Applicant must reside in the Northern Orange county area.
- Applicant must be between the ages of 11-18.
- Have "good" dental hygiene practices and had a dental hygiene check-up in the past 6 months.
- Must have a functional and/or aesthetic need for braces.
- Must currently be enrolled in school.
- Must demonstrate a positive attitude.
- Must follow and abide by treatment plan set forth by the orthodontist and contract attached.
- Should demonstrate a willingness to get involved in the community through extracurricular activities and/or volunteer service.

* Chapter may consider exceptions under the "special circumstances" clause. Please speak with an S4L representative for more information.

APPROVAL PROCESS

- Applications can be submitted at any time but are reviewed quarterly. Each applicant will be notified of decision after the end of each selection process.
- Selection is based on the information provided in this packet (commentary, character, letters of recommendation; financial and orthodontic need).
- Applicants can apply more than once if they are not accepted initially.

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ORTHODONTIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM (complete in blue or black ink) Today's Date: Primary Dentist: Date of Last Visit: APPLICANT INFORMATION Last Name: First: M.I.: Email: Phone #: (Applicant's Address (street):) City: State: Zip: Cell phone #: (Applicant's Date Of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): Female Applicant's Age: Gender: Male YES NO What is your GPA? Are you currently enrolled in school? What grade are you in? Name of School (write below): Location (City, State, and Zip code): School Phone #: (School Fax #: (CARETAKER/SOCIAL WORKER/CASA INFORMATION 1. Social Worker's Name: Phone: (Email:) 2. Caretaker/Foster Parent/Legal Email: Phone: () Guardian Name: 3. Other (include relationship to youth): Phone: (Email:) 4. CASA's Name: Phone: (Email: 5. CASA's Case Supervisor's Name: Phone: (Email: Is the applicant of special needs or require special medical care? (Circle One) NO If yes, please provide additional information: Has the applicant received prior orthodontic services? (Circle One) YES NO If yes, please name the doctor who gave care and what services: Is this the first time applicant has applied to Smile for a Lifetime: (Circle One) YES NO If no, enter number of times previously applied: Is the applicant covered by dental insurance? (Circle One) YES If yes, enter carrier/policy #: Please explain in detail why you would like the applicant to be awarded an orthodontic scholarship through Smile for a Lifetime:





APPLICANT QUESTIONNAIRE

Applicant Questionnaire must be handwritten and answered by the applicant only.							
	Questionnaires that are s	submitted ar	nd completed by someone	other tha	n the applicant <u>will be disqualified</u> .		
1)	What would it mean to you if candidate for Smile for a Life	-	orthodontic treatment through Sr	nile for a I	ifetime? Why do you feel you are a deserving		
2)	Tell us about yourself. What covolunteer work? What are you	-		ar activities	s? Do you perform any community service or		
3)	Tell us about an important per	rson in your li	fe. Who are they and what makes	s them imp	oortant to you?		
4)	Why do you want braces? Ho	w do you feel	about your smile now? How do	you think l	oraces will improve your life, now and in the future?		
5)	If you had a chance to do a far why?	vor for anothe	er person/organization, without ar	ny expecta	tion of being paid back, what would you do and		
	If you need more space, please add up to one additional sheet of paper. Thank you.						
	APPI	LICANT I	INFORMATION (to be co	ompleted b	y the applicant only)		
How did you hear about Smile For A Lifetime? (please write in your answer)							
	There are many reasons why people get braces; please select the following that apply or feel free to add your own:						
	Discomfort while eating/drinking	Ja	aw and/or mouth pain		I look down when talking		
	Speech impediment	I;	get teased about my teeth		I cover my mouth when I laugh		
	It's hard to clean my teeth well		m embarrassed to smile		I have a hard time sleeping/Sleep apnea		
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CONTRACT

If selected from the pool of applicants by the board members of Smile for a Lifetime Foundation of Northern Orange County, to receive orthodontic treatment, there are a few guidelines required for treatment. Throughout the selection process there is some professional guidance provided if requested, but the decision is largely

subj	jective and based on the completeness of the application, commentary, pe	ersonal essay, character, and the accompanying letters	s of recommendation submitted with				
you	r packet. Orthodontic treatment for the Northern Orange County chapter	of Smile for a Lifetime Foundation will be provided	by a participating certified				
orth	nodontist (service provider) chosen by the chapter.						
By	submitting and signing this application you understand and agree to	the following:					
1)	I agree that appointments will be at the discretion of the service provide	r and his/her team.					
2)	I understand that this can mean scheduling appointments during non-pe						
3)	I acknowledge that appointments must be kept in order to achieve an expeditious and desirable result.						
4)	I also understand that keeping appointments is essential to treatment such	ccess and is a requirement of accepting care from the	service provider.				
5)	If you must reschedule appointments, give at least 24 hours' notice. If n	nore than two appointments are missed or appointment	nts are constantly rescheduled it will				
_	be considered out of compliance which is grounds for removal of brace	s and revocation of scholarship.	•				
5)	If you <u>must</u> relocate prior to the conclusion of treatment, Smile for a Lit	etime will do its best to find another service provider	r. However, it is not guaranteed that				
	Smile for a Lifetime will have another provider available in the area and						
7)	One retainer will be provided as a part of the scholarship award. Any re	placements will not be covered by Smile for a Lifetin	ne or the Northern Orange County				
	chapter of Smile for a Lifetime.						
3)							
a) Maintain excellent oral hygiene (tooth brushing; flossing). If unwilling to meet expectations, due to medical and dental health risks treatment will be discontinued.							
b) Follow the rules for eating habits. This will greatly reduce breakage of appliances (i.e. braces) and it is necessary for satisfactory completion of treatment.							
c)	c) Cooperate. More than two (2) loose brackets may be deemed sufficient evidence that cooperation is not sufficient to meet minimal requirements for treatment.						
d)	Other cooperation issues are with failure to cooperate with maintenance o	f auxiliaries including elastics, wearing head gear, and sp	orings.				
e) Attitude. You will be expected to maintain an appreciative and respectful attitude once accepted into orthodontic treatment or any other aspect of treatment supported by							
	the service provider or Smile for a Lifetime. Rude behavior or an inappreciative attitude is unacceptable.						
9)	ATTENTION: Failure to comply with your responsibilities may result in re of treatment.	* *	Applicant's Initials:				
10)							
	from the program. Future applications will not be considered. There are man	y deserving children who are in need of orthodontics	Caretaker's Initials:				
	we are here to serve those in greatest need.						
11)	Consent: I certify that I am the responsible adult for the child listed on this information in this application is true and correct.	application. I have all rights and authority to make medic	cal decisions for the child, and that all				
Thi	s scholarship is intended specifically for underserved and deserving o	children in the community. There are many childr	en who need and deserve an				
awa	ard winning smile and while we do our best to serve those greatest in	need, it is a competitive process and not everyone	will receive a scholarship.				
Please take your time on your application. Your time and effort will be taken into consideration when selecting applicants for scholarships.							
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	Applicant's Name (Printed First, MI, Last)	Applicant's Signature	Date				
	Caretaker's Name (Printed First, MI, Last)	Caretaker's Signature	Date				

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Social Worker's Signature

Social Worker's Name (Printed First, MI, Last)

Date





COMMITMENT LETTER

*TO BE FILLED OUT BY CARETAKER

Smile for a Lifetime Foundation of Northern Orange County believes that all children deserve the confidence and benefits of a beautiful, healthy smile regardless of their financial situation. We would be excited to be able to present treatment to the applicant as part of the Smile For A Lifetime program should he/she be selected.

Because the board takes great consideration in awarding this deserving honor, we ask that the caretaker also make a commitment towards the patient's treatment to assure a smooth and high standard of care as outlined below:

- 1. Assure patient makes all scheduled appointments on time. If the patient will be more than 10 minutes late, I will call the office to ask if rescheduling is necessary. When at all possible, I will provide at least 24 hours' notice if cancellation or rescheduling is necessary.
- 2. Assure patient has suitable transportation to and from appointments. Patients should not be left unattended at appointments or without safe transportation from appointments.
- 3. Help the patient comply with the doctor's treatment request (i.e. brushing teeth regularly, wearing rubber bands/elastics and/or other treatment needs).
- 4. Keep the office updated with any changes to contact information including emergency contact, caretaker's information, phone and address. Email address changes should also be provided if available.

I,	, commit to Smile for a Lifetime Foundation of Northern Orange County
	the best of my ability, follow the responsibilities above while
	is a patient in the care of the orthodontist.
[patient name]	_
I understand it is important that the orthodontic trea	tment could span over several years and that I need to make the
applicant's treatment a priority.	
Caretaker's signature:	Date:
Print name:	

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MY PLAN TO "PAY IT FORWARD"- To be completed and provided if selected for treatment.

In our community, and all over the world, there is a great need for a great many of things. Being able to help those in need raises awareness and hope in the community and gives us, as individuals, the opportunity to reflect on our own needs versus those of others. We would like to hear from you! Take some time to reflect on the needs of your community. This will take some time and research on your part. Read your local newspaper, talk to a teacher or friend and choose a non-profit /charitable organization you feel you can impact the most in your community or the world.

Note: It is important to find something that touches your heart and you are passionate about. For instance, if you love animals, help at a local animal shelter. If you relate to being hungry or even homeless, find a shelter or food bank you can support. The most important thing is that you connect to your community and know that you are making a difference.

Here are some ideas for you to get started:					
Collect and donate goods:					
Check with a local charity, church, shelter, or humane society if they need anything.					
1) Non-perishable food, hygiene items, clothing or toys they are in need of.					
2) Check around your house and see if ther					
3) Check with neighbors, let them know w	3) Check with neighbors, let them know what you are doing and ask if they can help.				
4) Collect treats, magazines, and hygiene i	tems for soldiers deployed overse	rseas or something to remind them of home.			
Donate your time:					
Check with a local charity, church, shelter, or	r humane society if they need vol	volunteers. Every little bit helps.			
1) Sweeping, mopping or reorganizing can	help considerably when it comes	nes to redistributing goods.			
2) Take dogs for a walk or refilling their water and food dishes. Just petting and spending time with them so they know they are loved.					
3) Everyone has a neighbor who is in need	of light house work, or maybe ya	yard maintenance that's been put off because of injury.			
4) If you like art or poetry, write letters to	soldiers for holidays or draw a pi	picture for thanks.			
F	or more specific non-profits in	in your area, please go to:			
WWW.ALLFORGOOD.ORG	WWW.SERVE.GOV	V VOLUNTEERMATCH.ORG			
Make note of the inform	ation you find to help you co	complete your plan to "PAY IT FORWARD"			
Name of Organization: To whom did you speak?					
Address: Ph		Phone Number:			
What do they do? What are their goals?					
What do they need help doing?					
Commitment (How many hours per month and for how long):					
Additional Information:					

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MY PLAN TO "PAY IT FORWARD"
*HANDWRITTEN BY THE APPLICANT ONLY.
Who: Name of organization. Type of organization. To whom did you speak?
What: What are the volunteering needs of the organization? What will you be doing?
When: What time will you commit to volunteering?
Why: Why did you choose to help this organization? Why are you so interested in helping the organization?