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**12<sup>th</sup> CT MISSION OF MERCY FREE DENTAL CLINIC SEEKS  
VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS FOR CLINIC IN  
TORRINGTON IN APRIL 2018**

**Torrington, CT–February 21, 2018** – The 12<sup>th</sup> [Connecticut Mission of Mercy Free Dental Clinic](#) (CTMOM) seeks volunteers and donations for the two-day free dental clinic, scheduled to be held Friday, April 20 and Saturday, April 21, 2018 at Torrington High School in Torrington, Connecticut. The clinic is expected to treat close to 800 patients over the course of the two days.

To date, nearly 600 people have signed up to volunteer for the CTMOM Free Dental Clinic. CTMOM organizers are encouraging additional people and businesses to register volunteers at [www.ctmom.org](http://www.ctmom.org). Volunteer registration is scheduled to close on March/27th and roughly 1,000 volunteers, ranging from general volunteers to dental and medical volunteers, are needed over the course of set-up, clinic hours and breakdown. The clinic will open its doors at Torrington High School, 50 Major Besse Drive in Torrington, CT on Friday, April 20 and Saturday, April 21, 2018 at 8 a.m. and the clinic will run until it reaches capacity. Please note that patients are seen on a first-come, first-served basis.

CTMOM is dependent on contributions and welcomes financial and in-kind donations. Individual and corporate donations are still needed to defray the cost of the Clinic. The budget for the 2018 CTMOM Free Dental Clinic and operations totals \$254,556. To contribute, please visit our website [www.ctmom.org](http://www.ctmom.org) or call (860) 863-5940.

In addition to dental and medical volunteers, volunteers are needed for non-medical tasks such as traffic/crowd monitors, foreign language interpreters (all languages needed, especially Spanish), sign language interpreters, patient escorts, and especially help to set-up and breakdown the clinic. Volunteer descriptions and volunteer registration can be found at [www.ctmom.org](http://www.ctmom.org).

**“We encourage not only individuals to sign-up to volunteer for this critical outreach effort, but also area businesses to consider having employees give some of their time to help us at this year’s CTMOM Free Dental Clinic. It is a very rewarding endeavor that will help hundreds of people in need,” said Dr. Michael Perl, CTMOM Co-Chair. “We are immensely grateful for those who have registered to volunteer so far and donations totaling \$190,345 to support this year’s clinic. We hope to keep that momentum going and continue to receive both monetary and in-kind donations from businesses, especially in the Torrington area.”**

The CTMOM Free Dental Clinic provides a full range of dental services for people of all ages. Everything is done for free and on a first-come, first-served basis, including cleanings, fillings, extractions, x-rays, fluoride treatments, sealants, root canal treatment on anterior teeth, limited partial dentures and general health screenings.

To date, major donors (including in-kind\*) to the CTMOM Free Dental Clinic include the following: The Robert G. & Marguerite M. Derx Foundation, Delta Dental of New Jersey Foundation, WFSB 3\*, Beatrice Fox Auerbach Foundation at the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving, Integrity Systems & Solutions\*, Connecticut State Dental Association,

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