

Operation Smile Canada Student Programs empowers youth to create global movement for positive change through our four pillars:

™ Leadership

Education

In Service

Operation Smile counts on caring students, parents and educators to bring smiles to children worldwide. From 900 global clubs, to student and adult volunteers on medical missions, our young leaders build awareness, raise funds and educate others.

"It's a pleasure being the student leader of the Operation Smile Club at St. Andrew's College. Club members along with myself think of Operation Smile as a unique learning opportunity. We benefit through helping patients around the world and raising awareness to everyone within our community. It's truly amazing to see how big a difference we can make in people's lives."

WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

To learn more about how to get involved, visit **operationsmile.ca/studentprograms** where you can:

- Join or start a club in your school
- Access our S.M.I.L.E. Program
- Download copies of our Club Starter & Club Executive Toolkits
- Start an online fundraising page
- · Stay connected through social media
- Access information about ISLC and volunteer with us
- Sign up to receive more information about student programs, new opportunities or initiatives and exciting news from Operation Smile Canada!

Still have questions? We're here to help you at ca-students@operationsmile.org

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STUDENT PROGRAMS



Want to be an Operation Smile Student Leader?

It's easy to get involved! Join one of our Operation Smile Canada Student Clubs to build awareness, raise funds, and create positive change in a child's life. If there isn't an Operation Smile Club at your school, start your own!

"I believe nothing is more beautiful and powerful than a child's smile. The fact that I can be able to share the gift of smiles by creating an Operation Smile Club at my school makes me very happy. I encourage other students to so the same, as giving is receiving!"

- Mahta Gharaei, Sacred Heart Catholic School.



JOIN A CLUB

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

STEP UP SYMPOSIUM & U-VOICE TRAINING

HOST AN EVENT

Leaders Wanted!

Each year, Operation Smile hosts the ISLC for students and adult chaperones to develop and strengthen leadership skills. Learn how to support the mission of Operation Smile, listen to inspiring guest speakers, engage in team-building challenges and complete a community service project for patients. High School Students ages 15-18, educators and parents from around the world are encouraged to attend ISLC.

"ISLC was a week of curiosity, laughter, excitement, and knowledge. Though we did listen to many incredible speakers, the learning during this conference extended far beyond a typical lecture session; many of the most valuable lessons I learned at ISLC came from interacting with new people and being in foreign situations. The best part of the conference for me was realizing that there are over 400 people from across the globe who are with me in creating change in their community one smile at a time."

— Lynn Zhu, Lisgar Collegiate Institute

S.M.I.L.E. Program

We believe in the power of **YOUth** to make a positive difference in the lives of children born with cleft conditions all over the world. That's why we've created the **S.M.I.L.E.** (**S**tudent **M**ovement **I**mpacting **L**ives **E**verywhere) Program! Through S.M.I.L.E., we challenge your club to set and achieve your collective awareness and fundraising goals and further your compassion and commitment towards our cause. Along the way your team will gain valuable leadership skills, volunteer hours and experience for your future career aspirations!

S.M.I.L.E. makes it easy for your club to get involved and we are here to support every step of the way!



Become a Community Ambassador!

It could be an initiative that you do with your class or a fundraiser where the whole school gets involved! Events are a wonderful opportunity to bring a community together while raising money for a good cause.

"I am so moved by the love, compassion and support of our entire student body to this wonderful cause, in particular, of my Grade 12 Smile Team. They educate our entire school about Operation Smile's mission and the realities children born with cleft conditions and their families face. They use their creative ideas to energize and mobilize our school community to bring justice to these children. We're all about kids helping kids... 13 years of creating new smiles with many more to come!

— Rita Trecroce, Educator, St. Mary's College

Share Our Story by Sharing Yours!

Step Up Symposium gathers our undergraduate student volunteers to share how Operation Smile contributes to global health – and how students from every major can get involved.

U-Voice undergraduate students report from the field on international program assignments to capture and share the perspectives of our patients and volunteers. Interested students must first attend the Step Up Symposium followed by U-Voice training.

"Step-Up Symposium was an excellent opportunity to meet other students and hear about the success of their chapters, and made me feel truly immersed in the Operation Smile community. All the speakers were very insightful and shared knowledge I can implement within my Operation Smile club and in my personal life. I am already looking forward to the next Step-Up!"

- Alycia Kanters, University of Saskatechwan