

## Volunteers for Dental Lifeline Network • Florida Transform Life of Patient with Cleft Palate

*"I want to personally thank you for all the work you have done for me. You have changed my life with a new-found confidence that I never had before. Thank you from the bottom of my heart."*

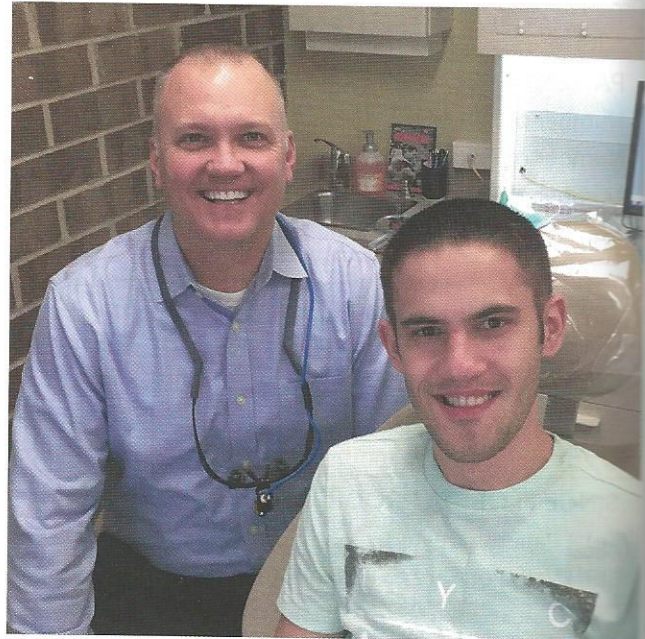
— Selvedin, DDS patient

*"This was the final treatment that Selvedin needed. DDS is an organization that has really been impressive and something that I would recommend. It's not a burden on our practice. I look at it as our duty to take care of people who don't have access to care."*

— Dr. Timothy Hogan, DDS volunteer oral surgeon

*"Dr. Hogan asked me to see Selvedin who is a very nice and appreciative young man. It's a plus to be able to help people in the comfort of your own office through DDS."*

— Dr. Robert "Brooks" Rollings, DDS volunteer general dentist



Selvedin, age 19, lives with his family who emigrated from Bosnia to Cape Coral, Fla. He works in a restaurant kitchen and studies biology at a community college with the help of financial aid. Selvedin hopes to become a cardiac surgeon and create a better life for himself and his family. Born with a cleft palate, Selvedin was referred to the *Donated Dental Services (DDS)* program by Dr. **Timothy Hogan**, a volunteer oral surgeon with *DDS* and the Florida Children's Medical Services Cleft Lip and Palate program.

A long-time patient of Dr. Hogan and the cleft palate team, Selvedin had experienced a bone graft, lip revision, rhinoplasty and nasal surgery. He needed an implant to replace a permanent lateral incisor, which was not covered by Medicaid. Dr. Hogan placed an implant donated by Zimmer Biomet and Dr. **Robert Rollings**, a *DDS* volunteer general dentist, fitted two crowns contributed by Dunbar Dental Ceramics. Dunbar is one of 216 labs that volunteer for *Florida DDS*.

Selvedin is extremely grateful to both *DDS* volunteer dentists, the volunteer lab and the implant manufacturer who participated in his treatment.

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