

Author's Note

Not only is it important in my daily practice to give the gift of a smile, but also to give back to the community and our world. There are so many organizations and people that helped me climb the ladder of success from high school to the present that I feel it is my duty to give as others have given to me. **A portion of the proceeds from the sale of this book will be donated to the Smiles For Success Foundation**, a organization committed to assisting women in transition from welfare to work who cannot afford the cost of dental care.

Smiles For Success:

The mission of Smiles for Success is to offer cost-free dental care to women graduates of accredited job readiness and placement programs or other community-based agencies thus helping those who are helping themselves. Smiles For Success is affiliated with numerous job readiness programs in over 30 states. The dental care offered is meant to be a short-term solution to those who need treatment unavailable to them through government programs or traditional insurance as they move from welfare to the working world. Smiles For Success, however, does not provide complete cosmetic smile makeovers. Smiles For Success programs also work in partnership with the aforementioned training programs, which have accredited and successful records in training and placing women in jobs. In addition, each Smiles For Success local area program works in conjunction with a clothing agency to outfit the potential candidate with suitable clothing for their interviews. For more information, visit www.smilesforsuccess.org.

Note: Dr. Austin is available for local and national interviews, as well as speaking engagements on oral health, careers in dentistry, and preparing your image for success.