



**ST. DAVID'S FOUNDATION RESPONDS TO SEASON FOR CARING CAMPAIGN  
BY OFFERING DENTAL VAN SERVICES**

AUSTIN—St. David's Foundation announced today that it is providing free dental care for recipients of the Austin American-Statesman's Season For Caring campaign.

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“Dental Care is so important to the overall health of every adult and child,” said Earl Maxwell, CEO of St. David's Foundation. “We recognize that many Central Texas residents and their families are in need of dental care, yet face economic challenges that prevent them from receiving this care.”

St. David's Foundation is responding to the Austin American Statesman's 11<sup>th</sup> annual Season For Caring by offering the services of their mobile dental program, now also in its 11th year of service.

“Our dental vans provide care for students at area schools in Travis, Hays and Williamson counties throughout the school year. During school holidays, the dental vans provide services to adults at our partner primary care clinics,” said Bobbie Barker, Vice President for Grants and Community Programs at St. David's Foundation. “Inviting Season For Caring recipients to visit a dental van to address their needs is something we are happy to provide.”

**About Season For Caring Campaign:**

The Season For Caring Campaign was launched in 1999. The campaign works through donations –cash, in-kind goods and service and volunteer hours, which over the past decade have helped 113 families whose stories have been featured in the Austin American-Statesman. Nonprofit organizations that nominated these families use the remaining donations to assist thousands more families with similar needs.

**About St. David's Foundation:**

The vision of St. David's Foundation is to keep the promise of a better life by improving health and health care for all Central Texans. The Foundation's mission is to work with commitment, integrity, and respect to achieve our vision in our hospitals, programs, and community partnerships. The 2009 budget for the Foundation is \$21 million, which includes grants to mental health agencies, agencies serving the elderly, ill and homeless, and many of the area's private safety net clinics, and the St. David's Dental Program. For more information on St. David's Foundation, visit [www.stdavidsfoundation.org](http://www.stdavidsfoundation.org).

