



VISION: The Caring Foundation of Texas is accelerating access to preventive health care for children and their families. Uninsured children are ten times more likely to have medical needs that are unmet and are five times more likely to go at least two years without receiving any medical care. When a child is unhealthy at an early age, they are more likely to have later in life health care issues, which will affect their education and future employment. One of the main reasons children are not seen by a medical professional for preventive care is access to the services. **Through the Care Van Program, we are breaking down the barriers that prevent families from securing the medical services they need to stay healthy.**

Since 1997,

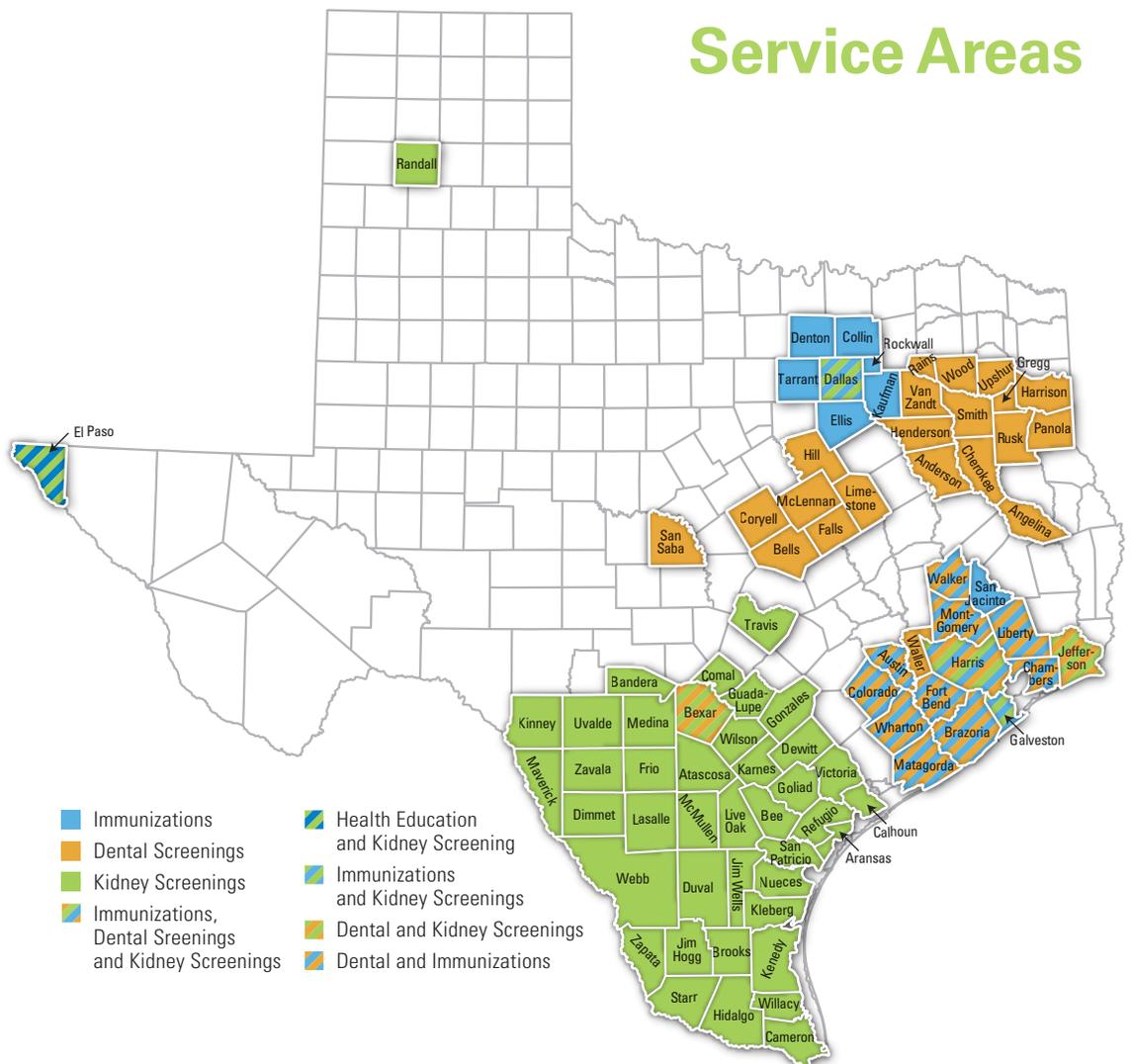
the program has administered almost

1.4 million immunizations to over **880,000** children.

Since 2008,

the Care Van collaborations have provided over **330,000** students with oral health services.

Service Areas



Improving Access, Improving Health



Mobile Immunization Outreach: For over a century, immunizations have helped millions of people avoid life-threatening disease. Each Care Van is staffed by licensed contract medical professionals and meets with the parents to explain what immunizations are recommended to keep their children healthy. Because the Care Van is offering free vaccines to the uninsured/underinsured population, we are eliminating the financial and geographic barriers to these life-saving services. By working with schools and community host sites, we're able to reach thousands of families in Texas each year.



Mobile Dental Outreach: Going to the dentist is an every-6-month event for many people, but some children never make it to the dentist for various reasons. Children without access to dental care suffer from tooth decay, gum disease, pain and missing permanent teeth. Uninsured children are more likely to have twice as much tooth decay as their peers who see a dentist regularly. The Dental Care Vans reduce oral health issues among Texas children by going to targeted schools and providing fluoride treatments, sealants and dental screenings.



Mobile Kidney Screenings: By partnering with the National Kidney Foundation® and the Texas Kidney Foundation the Kidney Care Vans educate, raise awareness, and provide kidney screenings to adults across Texas to reduce chronic kidney disease.

The Care Van Program collaborates with local health care providers, schools and community organizations to provide:

- ♥ **Free vaccinations to uninsured, underinsured and medically underserved children, expectant mothers and senior adults**
- ♥ **Free dental screenings, including exams, sealants and fluoride treatments for children**
- ♥ **Free health, hygiene and wellness education for students through school-based learning**

Making a Difference ... How Can You Help?

100% of all donations to the foundation are used to purchase medical supplies, provide contract nurses, supply health resources and education materials. As a company employee, you can make a tax-deductible donation through payroll deduction (Employee Giving Campaign) to the foundation to help support the Care Van Program.

A donation of \$20 can help to fully vaccinate 1 child! You can also help by volunteering your time. Sign up to be a volunteer at a Care Van clinic through the **Blue CorpsSM** program. We thank you in advance for your support and encourage you to learn more about us!

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How to Support Us:

Make a gift to support our work:

- For \$1 a paycheck, you will provide a child a full round of shots
- For \$7 a paycheck, you can provide 26 high school seniors their meningitis shots
- For \$10, you will underwrite two dental clinics.
- For \$45 a paycheck, you will underwrite a community clinic in an undeserved community.

How to sign up for Direct Giving:

1. Employee Charitable Campaign: Log into myHR, Scroll over the Work & Life tab
2. Under the sub category 'I want to,' click on "I want to update my voluntary contributions"
3. Click on Employee Charitable Contributions
4. A prompt for PeopleSoft will appear, Log In
5. You will see a list of options. Look for Care Van of Texas and make your selection.

