



# Annual Impact Report - 2024

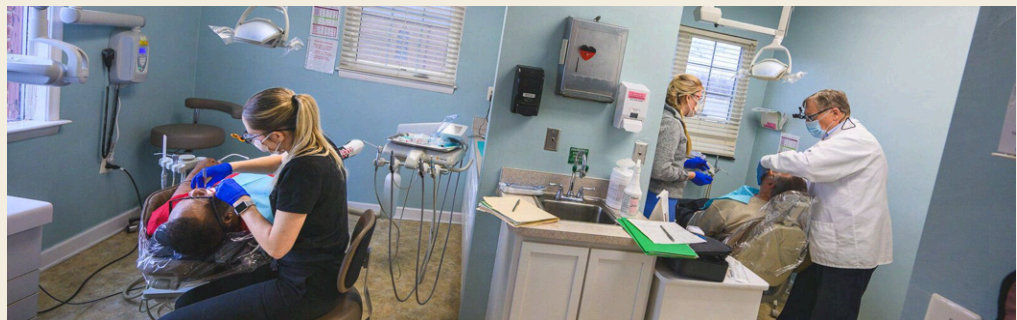
## What We Do & Who Benefits:

VINA is a nonprofit dental clinic established in 2008 and located in Brighton, Michigan. All of the patients at VINA have no dental insurance and income at or below 250% of the Federal Poverty Level. The out-of-pocket cost of dental care is too great and many patients do not have access to affordable dental care without the services of VINA.

## Why It Matters

Many patients at VINA have not had dental care in years or even decades. Many experience **frequent pain and other health complications from this lack of dental care**. Oral health problems can prevent patients from receiving surgery or infection, taking a toll on overall health. VINA works to provide quality dental care and education to these underserved patients to improve health and quality of life.

VINA patients only pay \$25 per appointment and \$10 for routine hygiene visits. This reduced financial burden for patients helps to **restore smiles in the community**.



## Mission Statement

*To provide quality, affordable dental care to Livingston County residents with limited finances and little to no access to dental care while upholding the professional standards of dentistry in a concerned and compassionate way.*

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**"Our mission at VINA Community Dental Center is to create healthier, brighter smiles while fostering dignity and confidence in those we serve. This year, thanks to our incredible supporters and community, we've been able to expand access to critical dental care for those who need it most. Together, we're making a difference—one smile at a time."**

**SAMANTHA JORGENS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

## Patient Testimonials

**"I am so grateful for VINA! I had gone many years without dental care and was in constant pain. I had a total of 15 teeth extracted and they made me a complete upper denture and a partial bottom. It has changed my life. I have more confidence, I can smile without fear of judgement and I can eat without pain. This would have been impossible without VINA. Thank you so much for all you do."**  
-VINA Patient

**"My income is Social Security, and I am considered low income. If it wasn't for VINA Dental, there's no telling what condition my teeth and gums would be in right now. Since going to VINA Dental, I have had 2 cleanings a year, a broken tooth fixed and recently scaling and root planing. They have been a saving grace for me. Thank you from the bottom of my heart."**  
-VINA Patient

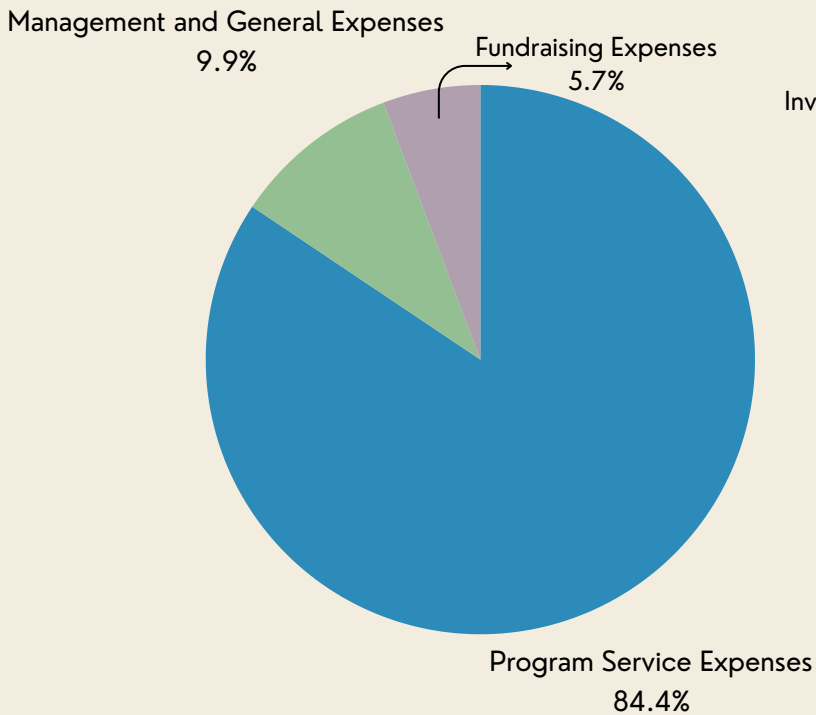
**"Thanks to VINA, I have received dental care that had been lacking for almost 10 years. I had molars that had lost fillings and broken off, leaving exposed roots in at least four places on both sides of my mouth. This made it very difficult to eat healthy foods due to the pain of chewing, not good for a type 2 diabetic. I am now able to eat any foods pain-free and have a much healthier diet because of it. As a result, I have had an A1C of 5.7 for over eight months! Thank you!"** -VINA Patient

**"I don't know what I would have done without Vina Dental. They have made it possible for me to have excellent care without having to go in terrible debt or lose my teeth. They have cared for my teeth with cleaning, scaling, fillings and sent me to an oral surgeon for an extraction. I am so thankful for Vina Dental."** -VINA Patient

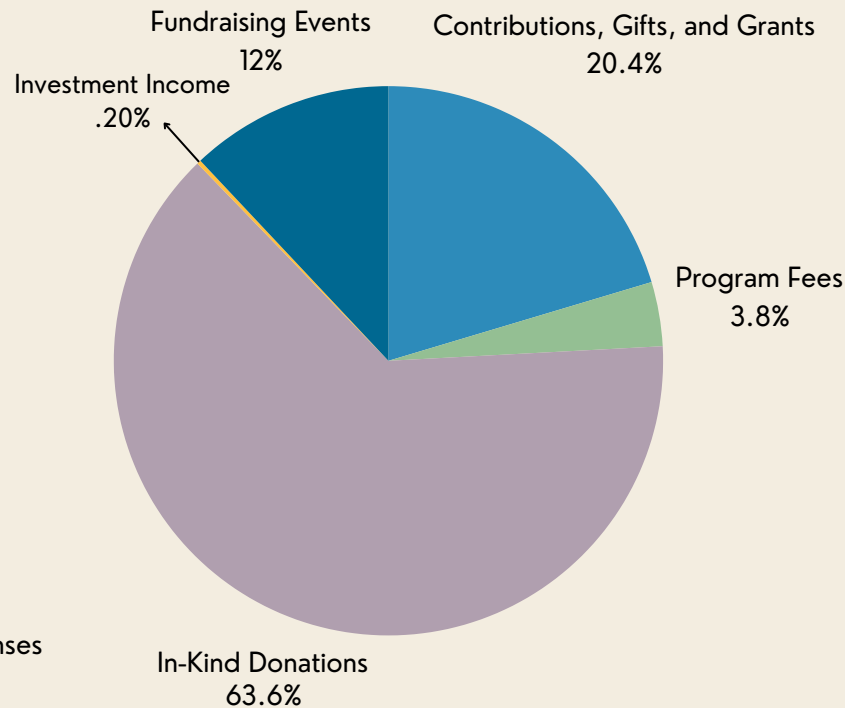


# 2024 Funding Summary

## Functional Expense



## Statement of Revenues



### Why It Matters

Understanding how we invest every dollar ensures transparency and shows our commitment to providing affordable, high-quality dental care to those who need it most.

### Why It Matters

Knowing where our funding comes from highlights the vital support of our community and partners who make VINA's mission possible.

## In-Kind Support

**\$473,309**

Dental  
Services

**\$25,199**

Dental &  
Office Supplies

**\$19,500**

Rent

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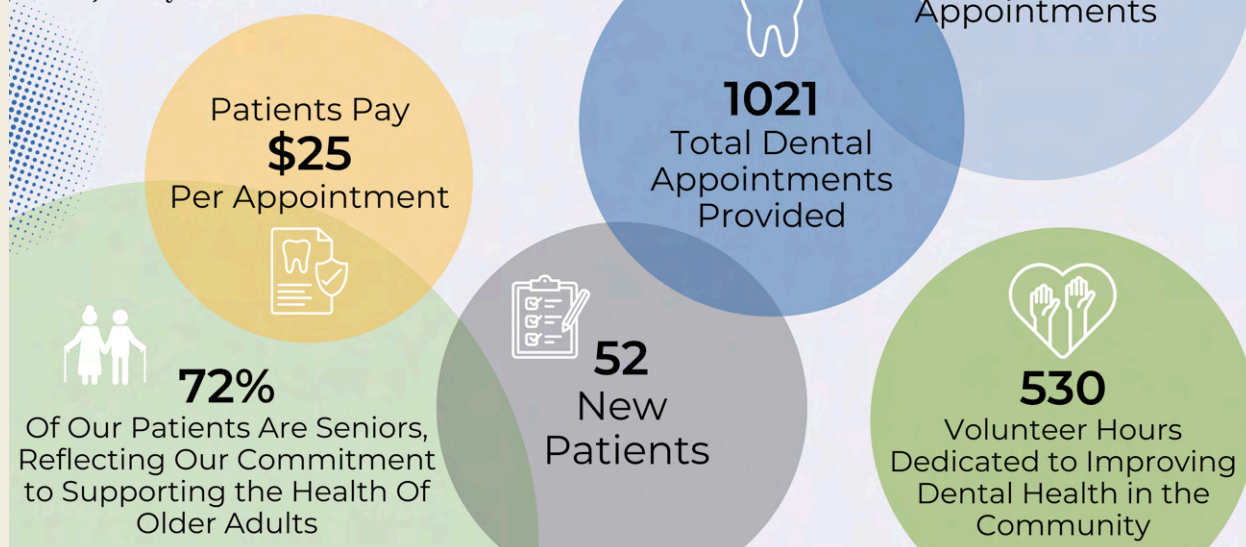
In-kind donations — making up 63.6% of VINA's total revenue — are critical to our mission, helping us provide care by covering essential services, supplies, and rent at little to no cost.

**Thank you to all who further VINA's mission with in-kind or monetary support!**



## MAKING A DIFFERENCE

January 2024 - December 2024



- Patients pay only **\$25** per appointment, ensuring affordable dental care.
- **1,021** total dental appointments were provided from January to December 2024.
- **452** appointments were dedicated to veterans, supporting those who served.
- **72%** of patients are seniors, highlighting our commitment to older adults' health.
- Welcomed **52** new patients this year.
- Volunteers contributed **530** hours to improving dental health in the community.

In 2024, VINA Community Dental Center demonstrated its commitment to improving oral health and serving the community. Over the course of the year, we provided a total of 1,021 dental appointments, making care accessible and affordable, with patients paying just \$25 per visit. Our dedication to supporting underserved populations was evident, with 72% of our patients being seniors, reflecting our focus on promoting the health and well-being of older adults. Additionally, 452 appointments were dedicated to veterans, honoring their service and ensuring they receive the care they deserve.

We were thrilled to welcome 52 new patients to the VINA family this year, expanding our reach and continuing to provide a dental home for those in need. This work would not have been possible without the incredible generosity of our volunteers, who contributed 530 hours to improving dental health in our community. Their time, energy, and passion have been instrumental in making a difference in the lives of our patients.

As we look back on 2024, we are proud of the impact we've made and remain deeply grateful for the continued support of our patients, volunteers, and community partners. Together, we are creating brighter, healthier smiles and changing lives—one appointment at a time.

# *Executive Director*

Samantha Jorgens

## *Board of Directors 2024*

As of December 31, 2024



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# Updates

## Senior Smiles Program

VINA is honored to be selected as a beneficiary of the **Livingston Sunrise Rotary Club's** 2025 Midnight in the Tropics fundraiser. The funds will support a special program aimed at improving outreach and dental care for seniors, a growing segment of our patient population. We are grateful for the Club's support in helping us better serve our community!

## Changes to Board of Directors in 2025

We're excited to welcome three new dental students to VINA's Board of Directors — Ella McKinney, Wade Gerberding, and Analena VanderZwaag.

Congratulations to Amanda Guido and Alia Fredrick on their graduation, and thank you for your service to the Board from 2023 to 2025.

We're grateful to Richard Smith and Dr. Erika Johnson for their contributions to the Board. While they are no longer serving in 2025, we wish them all the best in their future endeavors!



## 2025 Events



### Stars, Stripes & Smiles - March 29, 2025

Join us for the Stars, Stripes, and Smiles event at the American Spirit Centre in Brighton, MI, benefiting VINA Community Dental Center in its mission to provide essential dental care to uninsured and low-income adults in Livingston County.

### Corvette Raffle - July 4, 2025

Purchase a ticket to win a 2025 Corvette or \$60,000 in cash while supporting VINA Community Dental Center's mission to provide affordable dental care to those in need. The drawing for 2025 will take place at the Downtown Brighton Fourth of July Parade!



### VINA Tailgate - October 9, 2025

Join us for a fun night out at the VINA Tailgate at Crystal Gardens. Cheer on your favorite football team, bid on an expansive silent auction, enjoy a performance from the BHS Pep Band, and more while raising important funds for VINA Community Dental Center.

# *It's A Beautiful Day to Save Smiles*

At VINA Community Dental Center, we've always believed that a healthy smile is more than just dental care—it's confidence, dignity, and a step toward a better life.

Thanks to our dedicated volunteers, generous donors, and the incredible support of our community, we provided life-changing care to those who needed it most.

Every patient who walked through our doors reminded us why we do this work. Every treatment was a step toward restoring not just oral health, but self-esteem and possibility.

Here's to healthier smiles, stronger connections, and an even brighter year ahead.



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