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**Nevada Women's Philanthropy grants \$465,000 to Future Smiles
A \$30,000 NWP Founders Gift was awarded to The Blind Center of Nevada**

Las Vegas (June 4, 2018) – Nevada Women's Philanthropy (NWP) elected to grant \$465,000 to Future Smiles to create the NWP Dental Wellness Center at the Elaine P. Wynn Elementary School where it will be able to expand its services to provide more comprehensive dental treatment to Clark County School District school children. The NWP Founders Gift for \$30,000 was awarded to The Blind Center of Nevada.

"NWP is thrilled to welcome Future Smiles to the NWP family of grant recipients," said NWP President Cindy Ellis. "This grant, which is our largest to date, will provide Future Smiles with the resources necessary to open a permanent facility and to take their dental services to the next level."

Currently Future Smiles provides prompt response to children in immediate oral pain and preventive oral health services such as cleanings, sealants, X-rays and oral health education. This grant will allow Future Smiles to continue to provide these services while adding a permanent clinic as well as a dentist and dental assistant.

"We are incredibly grateful to NWP for giving us the opportunity to expand our program services to include an on-site dentist, creating a streamlined solution for children who need restorative dental care promptly," said Terri Chandler, Founder and Executive Director of Future Smiles.

About Future Smiles

The mission of Future Smiles is to increase access to dental healthcare for underserved populations. Founded in 2009, Future Smiles is Southern Nevada's largest school-based preventive and restorative dental health program directly serving more than 5,000 students annually. Its goal is to improve overall health, which includes oral health, by eliminating healthcare barriers ending dental pain and suffering for Southern Nevada's youth. To learn more about Future Smiles visit www.futuresmiles.net

About NWP

Nevada Women's Philanthropy (NWP) is a member-driven, pooled-fund, large impact grant-making organization established in 2005 to address the needs of the Las Vegas community. NWP consists of philanthropically motivated women, united by a desire to address emerging issues that face the community in the areas of arts, education, environment, social services, and health. NWP has invested \$4.96 million with 23 nonprofit organizations in Southern Nevada to date. To learn more, please visit www.nevadawomensphilanthropy.org.

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