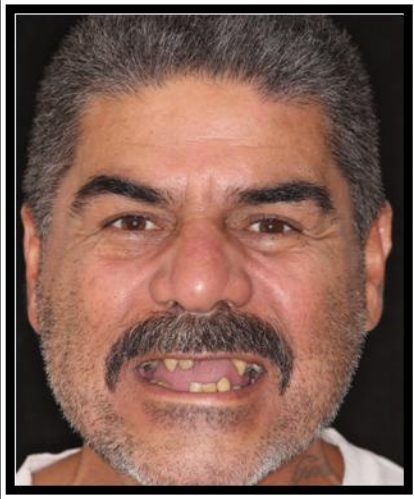
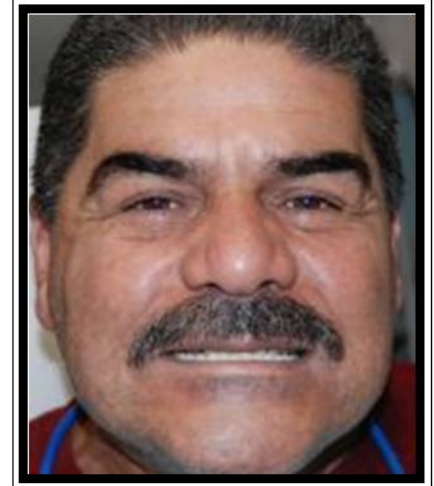


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Before



After

My Name is Jesse Rivas, I'll be turning 55 years of age come July this year. I've been seen by multiple dentists since 2002, and you can bet they've all had the same prognosis. I'm going to have to get dentures. I'm talking about 5 or 6 dentists over the period of ten years. Of course without insurance and much less a job I never could see it ever getting done. Even now that I'm disabled and came under the care of Medi-Cal and again being informed that this provider has dropped their dental program due to cut backs. Now besides it being hard to eat certain foods, it's also hard to be sociable for the last 14 years due to severely receded gums and loss of teeth and also bad breathe too! My Own Family doesn't invite me over for much of the holidays to make life worse. I've only had a girlfriend twice during those same 14 years which hurts my feelings and keeps me lonely. I'm sure that both those relationships only lasted less than a year. Unfortunately, I know we live in a society that really grades the appearances as well as education. Although I have one and not the other, if I expect to live out the rest of my years accompanied I need some dentures. I've asked God about this quite a lot. I truly pray you'll help me with this endeavor.

Sincerely,
J. Rivas

We would like to thank the people who are making a difference in Jesse's life. Thank You!

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