## **Everything's possible**



Together with FOR (Foundation for Oral Rehabilitation), MALO CLINIC continues to change lives and share happiness, giving a new smile to people like Monica, who due to numerous difficulties could not overcome the serious dental problems that prevented her from even looking for a job, or Jovane, a 15-year-old boy whose mother have always fought bravely against the adversities life has brought to her family. Get to know their stories a little better...

**Mónica Dias** is 40 years old and is the mother of 3 children. Unemployed, she never had the financial means to deal with her teeth problems and confesses that she was also afraid of dentists. She didn't consider herself a pretty woman and her lack of self-esteem was causing her problems even when looking for a job. The condition of her teeth was unacceptable both from an aesthetic and from a functional point of view. She was sad for not being able to smile as she liked. She couldn't look at herself smiling in the mirror, her children had never seen her with teeth and she felt that she was "looked sideways" by strangers. Now, after MALO CLINIC has given her a new smile, she is very happy and believes she will no longer have trouble talking to other people, which will help her find a job. She says that at MALO CLINIC "they were all angels"!

**Jovane Barros** is 15 years old. Born in São Tomé and Príncipe, he has been in Portugal for a year now after several years without seeing his five brothers and his mother, Lucrécia, a true "mother courage". When he was 10 he had an accident at school where he hit the ground violently with his front teeth, breaking one of them. Lack of access to the necessary immediate treatments led the tooth to further decay and infect. Thus, over the past 5 years Jovane has suffered from a lot of pain and difficulties in chewing, and he had to deal with the embarrassment and shame of having a tooth in that state right in front of his mouth. An extremely harsh situation in a period such as adolescence, in which character, self-esteem and social skills are consolidated. Now he says "everything is okay, with no pain" and he is happy to be able to smile at his colleagues without feeling ashamed.

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