

Calgary Tooth Fairy Gets Wish

Sometimes when you wish for something — it happens!

Following a chance meeting between CoraMarie Clark (founder of The Tooth Fairy Children's Foundation) and an international representative for Procter and Gamble — there was a magical outcome — a donation of more than 20,000 children's toothbrushes.

"Since launching The Tooth Fairy Children's Foundation www.tooth-fairykids.org, I've tried relentlessly to form an alliance with a manufacturer that would donate toothbrushes," says Clark.

"Then suddenly, 'poof', I received word that Procter and Gamble in Germany was sending us 300 boxes of Oral-B toothbrushes for children in need. I couldn't believe it at first, until the boxes arrived — it was a magical moment."

Clark, an MBA grad who was recently selected for Global TV's Woman of Vision series is a busy speaker, author and consultant to the Canadian dental industry.

Sometime in 2010 she'll be taking an international trip to deliver the toothbrushes.

To date, she has received requests from children's groups in Haiti, Ecuador, Guatemala and Ethiopia.

In 2008, Clark distributed 4,000 toothbrushes and provided hands-



Courtesy, The Tooth Fairy Children's Foundation

CoraMarie Clark will make an international trip this year to distribute 20,096 toothbrushes to needy children.

on dental education to kids in more than 20 villages in Kenya.

That mission solidified Clark's mission to secure more toothbrushes.

"The vision for my Foundation is very high — to provide every child worldwide with a toothbrush, oral hygiene education and access to dental care," explains Clark.

"Any funds we raise go toward providing oral health care, dental supplies, education, and hygiene services for children in need."