

GORGEOUS GRINS by DR. MOGAVERO

SYNC YOUR SMILE
WITH YOUR LIFESTYLE

When most people think of orthodontists, images of white coats, wires and rubber bands come to mind. Rarely does one think "cool."

But that's exactly what you get with Dr. Frank Mogavero. That's especially apparent when you walk into his stylish orthodontist office in the Talega area of San Clemente. Signed pictures of famous skaters and snowboarders adorn the interior. Stone walls straight out of a ski lodge decorate the entryway along with a chair from an old lift at Mammoth Resort. Mogavero is an athlete who loves to snowboard and mountain bike. If he weren't creating some of the best smiles in South Orange County, he'd be working in Action Sports. "I've just always been drawn to the Action Sports industry," he says. "And I like to make my office a fun place where everyone feels comfortable."

Dr. Mogavero has always loved to make people smile, and that shows in his work from early treatment in 7 to 10-year-olds, to teens and adults – both with braces and Invisalign care. He's been practicing for 24 years and estimates that he's finished nearly 10,000 patients in that

time. It's no surprise that Dr. Mogavero takes great pride in that wealth of experience. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics, a recognition earned over time that signifies a "pursuit of continued proficiency and excellence," and he's served as an expert witness in some 25 legal cases.

Still, it's helping people in the community that makes Dr. Frank's job fun for him. A few years ago, Dr. Frank was shopping in his neighborhood grocery store when he noticed a young boy whose teeth were intensely crooked. The boy shied away from attention. His confidence was extremely low. So Mogavero approached the boy's mother and asked her if he could work on her son. According to his mom, other children had teased the boy at school. It was affecting his life. So despite being a single mother with one income, Dr. Mogavero made treatment possible. "It's amazing what

your smile can do for your confidence," he says. "Whether you're in school, dating, applying for a job, having a nice smile is key."

That's why Mogavero puts so much extra time into community events. He provides free mouth guards for the San Clemente, J Serra and Dana Hills High School football teams every year. Dr. Frank works with local charities as well, like Grind for Grins, a skating fundraiser organized by local pro skater Mitchie Brusco that raises money to help provide braces for the underprivileged.

"I just really love the community here in San Clemente," Dr. Mogavero adds. "It's a good family community and the people like to be outdoors. It's not a pretentious place and it's off the beaten path."

And the community appreciates his expertise. "He's so good with the kids," says Stacy Wood, whose son Trey is a longtime patient. "It's kind of like having an old friend work on your mouth."

Dr. Frank is raising his own family of four (including a new baby girl) in San Clemente with his wife Anna. It's a town he sees himself in for the long haul, a place where he will continue his life's work - creating beautiful smiles.

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Watch five of Dr. Mogavero's patients skate at X-Games in Austin, Texas from June 5th-8th: Mitchie Brusco, Tom Schaar, Trey Wood, Alana Smith and Jagger Eaton!

