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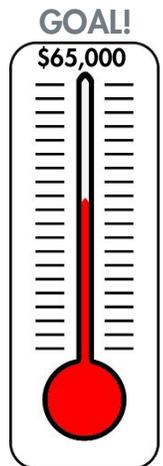
Help Your MDA Foundation Reach Its 2021 Year-End Goal!

The Michigan Dental Association Foundation needs your help during this year's season of giving! This year, the MDA Foundation hopes to raise \$65,000 in its Year-End Campaign to apply toward our annual access-to-care grants and dental scholarships.

Your gifts this giving season will go toward helping the uninsured or underinsured in Michigan with access to the quality dental care everyone needs and deserves.

The Michigan Dental Association Foundation is able to help provide access to care for those Michigan residents in need through our annual grants, such as those given to VINA clinic in Brighton or Holland Free Health Clinic. These organizations allow individuals in their communities the opportunity for an amazing smile, bringing confidence and pain relief to countless Michigan residents.

Please consider making a gift to support us this giving season to help us to help others. To support the MDA Foundation Year-End Campaign, [click this link](#). You can also write a check and mail it directly to the Michigan Dental Association Foundation at 3657 Okemos Road, Suite 200, Okemos, MI 48864-3927, or contact Janet Elliott at 800-589-2632, ext. 458 to make your gift over the phone.



How to Make the Most of Your Charitable Gift to the Michigan Dental Association Foundation: There Are So Many Ways You Can Make a Difference

As a donor, your charitable gift to the MDA Foundation helps support dental health, helps you feel good about making a difference, and helps the MDA Foundation do more in your community. Because of your generosity, the Foundation has been able to increase its support to your community through grants and scholarships. But to continue our growth, we will require additional donors like you, and the ability to raise larger gift amounts.

Did you know you may be able to make those larger gifts to the Foundation now or in the future and receive benefits too? For example:

Gifts of life insurance policies: A gift of a life insurance policy (on your life or the joint lives of you and a significant other) can benefit the Foundation significantly. While the benefit is delayed until death, you can make annual cash gifts to the Foundation equal to the premium due and potentially receive a charitable income tax deduction for the original gift and for the subsequent

cash gifts. Additionally, life insurance gifts can be made by transferring an existing policy or naming the MDA Foundation as the policy beneficiary.

Wills: Including the MDA Foundation in your will or living trust is one of the easiest ways to make an important difference in the future of the Foundation. It's generally as simple as adding a brief statement to your estate documents. (Often, you can just add a codicil to an existing document.) While this type of gift creates no immediate tax benefits, it will be completely tax deductible for estate tax purposes.

Retirement plans: Many of us have saved for retirement through various tax-deferred retirement plans. While these plans help us in our later years, it's important to remember that all retirement account assets are subject to both estate and income taxation at death. This can substantially reduce the amount your beneficiary
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receives. Because the majority of your retirement plan assets could be paid in taxes, the best option could be to leave your retirement plan assets to the MDA Foundation. By naming the MDA Foundation as a beneficiary of all or a percentage of your retirement plan assets, you can request the Foundation use the assets as you wish (as long as your wishes match the mission of the Foundation) and have comfort knowing you are leaving a philanthropic legacy to organized dentistry.

Appreciated stock: The stock market has been good to us over the past few years. Maybe you have stock that has appreciated, and you don't want to pay the capital gains on the appreciated stock. By making a gift to the MDA Foundation, you forego paying taxes on the capital gains. The Foundation sells the stock and obtains the fair market value, and both parties have a win-win situation.

If you would like to learn more about these charitable giving options, contact the MDA Foundation at foundation@michigandental.org or by phone at 800-589-2632 and ask for the Foundation. We can help you with additional information and put you in touch with one of our investment partners who can work directly with you, your attorney, or financial planners to help you make the most of your charitable giving to the MDA Foundation.

Always consult your tax attorney or financial planner for details about your specific tax benefits.



Foundation Supports Veterans Programs

Your MDA Foundation cares about our veterans – many of whom have dental problems and lack access to affordable care. That's why the Foundation has provided partial funding for two programs supporting veterans for a total of \$55,000.

The Foundation helps fund the University of Michigan School of Dentistry's Victors for Veterans program. The program is currently treating 20 veterans who are living below Michigan's poverty level.

The Foundation also has awarded a grant for the past several years to the VINA Clinic in Brighton. This grant provides six-month hygiene appointments to veterans and others living 200% below the poverty level, at 50% of the customary charge.

If you are interested in supporting programs that directly serve our veterans, please note this on your donation. Your Foundation will be sure to get the money to these carefully vetted programs or others.



Veterans receive treatment at Brighton's VINA Clinic.

Sparkling Smiles 2022 Is Back — In Person

The MDA Foundation is excited to announce that our 2022 Sparkling Smiles Celebration will be held in person once more! We will be hosting this event at the Suburban Showplace in Novi on April 27, 2022, during the MDA Annual Session.

The Sparkling Smiles Celebration is a great time to get together with peers, meet others with similar interests in your field, learn about the MDA Foundation, and hear some amazing stories from former and current scholarship and grant recipients about the impact your gifts have had on the community.

Keep a watchful eye on your inboxes for more information soon to come on how to RSVP — or if you are unable to attend, how to make a gift virtually.

The MDA Foundation cannot wait to see your smiling faces once again!



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Holidays Can Bring Stress — But Help Is Here

Dentists and dental team members are at high risk of addiction, stress, and emotional issues, especially during the sometimes-difficult holiday season. But there is help for those in need — the MDA Member Assistance Program.

The MDA Member Assistance Program, supported by a grant from the MDA Foundation, helps MDA members and their families with issues such as stress, anxiety, and depression. Full details appear on the MDA website at michigandental.org/MemberAssistanceProgram.

The program utilizes telephone triage and referral to appropriate professionals. Benefits include:

- Free support for all members, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- Multiple ways to access help — in-person, via telephone, video counseling, or mobile app.
- Access to face-to-face sessions, training, management tools, and work/life services including financial and legal resources and life coaching.
- Peace of mind, knowing that the MDA Member Assistance Program is there to support you.

The Member Assistance Program's counseling services are provided on a contractual basis with AllOne Health, an outside firm with offices in Michigan. Having an outside company handle these calls may serve to ease the minds of some members who may be hesitant to call due to concerns about confidentiality.

If you need help — don't wait. Take advantage of this MDA service, supported by your Michigan Dental Association Foundation.

Happy Holidays!

The MDA Foundation Board of Directors would like to wish everyone a happy and healthy holiday season as we close out the year. The past two years have been difficult ones due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Let us all hope that we see an end to this pandemic in 2022. Best wishes to you and yours!

The MDA Foundation Is on Facebook and Instagram — Follow Us there!

Want to learn and see more about the work of the MDA Foundation? Follow us on our Facebook and Instagram pages.

You'll see stories about those who benefit from our grant program and the students who are so thankful for our scholarship program. You will also see testimonials of why our donors and sponsors are proud to support our work — and who knows, you may even see yourself!



We want to show others how proud we are of the work you help us do and grow our outreach as we begin moving into 2022. Please follow, "like," and share our posts regularly.

To make it as easy as possible, see the links below — you're just a click away!

Instagram:

https://www.instagram.com/mda_foundation/

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/MichiganDentalAssociationFoundation/>

Be Sure to Support the Foundation on Your Dues Statement

The Foundation Board of Directors thanks all MDA members who have supported the Foundation by checking the Foundation box on their 2022 dues statements. Dues-statement funding is a major source of revenue for the Foundation.

If you've already supported the Foundation on your 2022 dues statement — *thank you!* If you haven't yet renewed your membership, please remember to "check the box" and support your Foundation. It will help us do more in 2022!

