

MINNESOTA DENTAL FOUNDATION

A practice of giving.





In the Beginning...

- Incorporated in 1946 but was dormant for decades.
- A \$70,000 bequest was presented to the Minnesota Dental Association from the estate of Dr. Robert Reed, Faribault, Minnesota in 1999.

Today's Minnesota Dental Foundation

- The Minnesota Dental Foundation was merged with the Endowment and Assistance Fund in 2001 and the surviving entity was the Minnesota Dental Foundation.
- 501(c)(3) not-for-profit public foundation.
- Managed by the Minnesota Dental Foundation Board of Directors who are approved by the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota Dental Association.

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Vision

The vision of the Minnesota Dental Foundation is to eliminate unmet oral health needs in Minnesota.



Mission

The mission of the Minnesota Dental Foundation is to:

- Initiate and support outreach programs that provide dental services to underserved populations and communities;
- Encourage and support volunteerism within the profession; and
- Promote careers in dentistry, especially in underserved areas.



Efforts so far of the MDF

- 505 different projects have been funded since 2002
- 48% of the projects in the Metro area
- 47% Outstate
- 3% other

Community Grants

- Started in 2002
- Grants to non-profit clinics that participate in Give Kids a Smile
- Grants to non-profit organizations that have an interest in oral health of the underserved
- Grants to dental auxiliary educational institutions that provide care to the underserved
- Supported by the Minnesota Dental Foundation at about \$35,000 per year

Donated Dental Services (DDS)

- Managed by Dental Lifeline Network in Denver
- Started in 2003 in Minnesota
- Became a program of MDF in 2012
- Funded by Delta Dental of Minnesota Foundation
- Dentistry for disabled, elderly & medically fragile
- Laboratories provide free services
- Since its inception in Minnesota, 1,023 patients have received \$10.6 million in dental services by 435 dental volunteers
- 300 patients on the waiting list



Give Kids a Smile (GKAS)

- Became a program of the Foundation in 2015
- In February 2017, 2,335 children received \$1.039 million in free care by 1,174 volunteers
- Since inception in 2003 in Minnesota, 74,108 children received services valued at \$20.9 million in dental services by 30,118 dental volunteers
- Funded by 3M Oral Health, HealthPartners,
 Minnesota Dental Association and Minnesota Dental Foundation

Minnesota Mission of Mercy (MnMOM)

Mankato 2012
Bemidji 2013
Mankato 2014
Duluth 2015
Moorhead 2016

8,035 patient encounters
5,339 volunteers
38,892 dental procedures
\$5.1 million in dental services



Martha Mordini Rukavina Loan Forgiveness Program

- Taconite Assistance Area (TAA)
- Started in 2009 by Northern Minnesota Dental
- Became a program of the Foundation in 2011
- Funded by the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board (IRRRB)
- Full-time general dental practice for at least 5 years
- To date there are 5 new dentists to the TAA
- Two are since the MDF took over the program
- Have received funding for two more dentists in 2018



Dedicated to Minnesota Dentists (DMD) Educational Loan Repayment for Service

- Started in 2015
- Up to \$200,000 of qualified educational loans
- \$2,000,000 provided by the Delta Dental of Minnesota Foundation
- Rural Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSA)
- Cities less than 15,000 population
- Full-time general dental practice for 5 years
- Benson, Cook, Deerwood, Ely, International Falls, Mora, Walker and Warroad



Retired Dentist Program

- Started in 2014
- Reimburses a retired dentist for licenses, CPR, professional liability insurance & CE
- Must provide 100 hours per year (about 1 day per month) of dental care to the underserved with no reimbursement
- Up to \$4,000 every other year
- 6 participants in volunteer clinics throughout the state

Minnesota's Heroes Orthodontic Program

- Started in 2015
- Free orthodontic care to children and spouses of Gold Star Families – those families who have lost a family member who served in the armed services since 9/11
- In collaboration with the Minnesota Association of Orthodontists and Smiles Change Lives
- Two children currently in treatment

Legacy Circle

- Initiated in 2011
- For those visionaries who designate the Minnesota Dental Foundation in their estate planning
- Currently, have 15 members

Resources

- Dues statements and prepaid dues option
- Annual fund drive in late fall
- Founders Campaign in 2002-2003
- Fundraising Events Wall of Wine, Gala
- Memorials/honors and bequests/donations
- Legacy Circle
- GiveMN.org, amazonsmile



What can you do?

- Designate the Minnesota Dental Foundation in your estate planning
- Check the box on your dues statement
- Respond generously to the annual campaign
- Remember to honor or memorialize someone with a donation to the Minnesota Dental Foundation
- Cash, check, credit card or GiveMN.org



Together, we CAN make a difference!

Check the Minnesota Dental Foundation website at

mndentalfoundation.org

