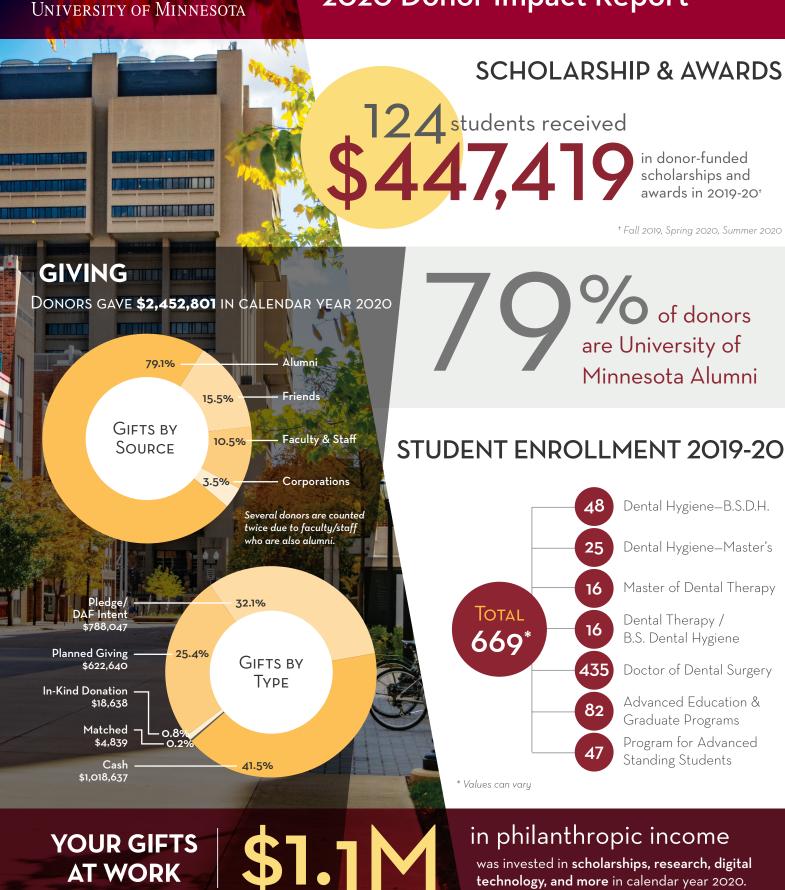
YOUR GIVING MATTERS 2020 Donor Impact Report



SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

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was invested in scholarships, research, digital technology, and more in calendar year 2020.

A NOTE OF THANKS

Gifts to the School of Dentistry have always been deeply valued by our students, faculty, staff, and the patients we serve. In 2020, they took on even greater meaning as we navigated the tumultuous environment COVID-19 presented. Because of you, our school will emerge from this pandemic stronger and more resilient than ever. Thank you for standing by the School of Dentistry.

I recognize that 2020 has been difficult for everyone, and the dental community is no exception. I hope that you and your loved ones are doing well. I am humbled by the nearly \$2.5 million dollars that was donated by you and other incredible supporters. Your contributions enable us to continue to provide an exceptional educational experience, discover new solutions to

complex problems, serve the people of Minnesota and beyond, and thrive as best we can in these tough times.

The brief highlights below reflect our increased focus on student support, one of our top campaign priorities. These are only a few of the many ways your generosity makes an impact at the School of Dentistry.

Again, thank you so much for giving in 2020. I look forward to one day thanking you in person for all you've done for our school.

With sincere thanks.

Keith A. Mays, DDS, MS, PhD Interim Dean



YOUR GIFTS IN ACTION

Donors are integral to the success of our students from their first step across the stage at the White Coat Ceremony, throughout school in the form of scholarships and other support, and at the end when they don their caps and gowns to celebrate at graduation.

*The pandemic

long-standing traditions of honoring our incoming and

> In the meantime, we celebrate virtually.

COATS TO RECOGNIZE NEWEST STUDENTS

The White Coat Ceremony, supported by philanthropic contributions, signifies the beginning of students' careers and is a warm welcome to the School of Dentistry community. Each fall, white coats are presented to first year dental, dental therapy, and dental hygiene students in the presence of family, friends, and school leaders. Students sign their class code of ethics, recite their professional oath, and dedicate themselves to lifelong service and learning. outgoing students will resume.

CELEBRATING THE NEXT GENERATION OF DENTAL PROVIDERS

The annual graduation ceremony is charged with excitement and the anticipation of bright futures as graduates cross the stage and are recognized for their outstanding accomplishments. The caps and gowns the graduates proudly don for this unforgettable milestone are generously interrupted the White provided by donors. Coat Ceremony and graduation events, but these



Being chosen is an honor and has given me so much more confidence in what I am trying to accomplish. The award will greatly help to pay for my tuition and reduce stress from the financial aspect of school.

Hodd Gorman

DDS CLASS OF 2022

SCHOLARSHIPS HELP **STUDENTS SUCCEED**

SCHOLARSHIPS MAKE A TREMENDOUS DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF OUR STUDENTS.

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