



# 2024 ANNUAL REPORT

**The Foundation for Dental Laboratory Technology** is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that ensures the industry's viability and advancement by creating access to dental laboratory technology education and providing grants and scholarships to assist with the cost of education and certification.

**A STRONG COMMUNITY → A STRONG FOUNDATION → LIVES TRANSFORMED**



“The CDT Pillar Scholarship represents far more than financial support – it embodies the confidence and encouragement of the Foundation, which I find immensely motivating as I work to elevate my skills and pursue my long-term goals within the dental laboratory technology field.”

—Lisa Fleming



“Receiving the CDT Pillar Scholarship has profoundly impacted my journey toward becoming a CDT in Digital Workflow. The financial support has eased the burden of the exam fees and other expenses, allowing me to fully concentrate on my studies and practical training. This scholarship has empowered me to pursue my passion with greater determination and enthusiasm.”

—Man Kwok Zhu, CDT, TE



“Receiving this scholarship encourages me to improve from my student level and elevate my skills to become a better technician. It reassures me that there are individuals who choose to support the progress of dental technology and believe in advancing the field to a higher standard.”

—Ronna Mae Pidut, RG



“I want to thank the Foundation and all of their donors for providing the resources for lab technicians like myself to pursue their certification without worry. I cannot wait to receive my certification and continue to provide a better quality of life for others through my work with this new mark under my belt.”

—James Hardy

## 2024 BY THE NUMBERS:

- ▶ 13 different grants and scholarship opportunities
- ▶ 118 grants and scholarship awarded
  - 114 individuals
  - 3 DLT educational programs
  - 1 state dental laboratory association
- ▶ \$100,000 of donor dollars distributed
- ▶ \$22,500 distributed through in-kind donations
- ▶ Record breaking Race for the Future, surpassing \$100,000

## WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

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I am filled with excitement and optimism as I step into the role of Chair for the Foundation for Dental Laboratory Technology in 2025.

We are dedicated to significantly enhancing our fundraising efforts to attract new donors who share our passion for the future of dental laboratory technology. Donors are the lifeblood of our organization, and their contributions are directly linked to the profound impact the Foundation can make within this industry.

As a result of fundraising, we hope to expand our grants and scholarships, providing even more aspiring and established dental technicians with the opportunity to pursue their dreams. We will also focus on strengthening our partnership with NADL and NBC. While each organization excels independently,

our collaboration serves a greater purpose, creating an unstoppable and lasting impact in dental laboratory technology.

Your generosity will help us build a stronger, more skilled workforce that is prepared to meet the ever-evolving needs. Together, we can change lives and ensure this industry continues to thrive.

Thank you for your continued support and belief in our organization. We look forward to working with you to achieve our goals.

*Beth Collington*

—Beth Collington  
2025 Foundation Chair



“I am eager to learn new techniques and technologies that will enable me to create more precise and durable dental restorations. I look forward to providing even higher quality of services for my doctors and their patients. Thank you for investing in me and my future.” —**Carissa Stewart**



“I am profoundly grateful, thankful and blessed to have been chosen for the CDT Pillar Scholarship. Without this amazing scholarship, it would have taken years for me to save enough time and money to buy my study materials and tests. Thank you for this incredible support and opportunity.” —**Douglas Salazar**



“I am honored to have received the CDT Pillar Scholarship, which has been pivotal in advancing my career as a dental technician. Thanks to this scholarship, I achieved my second CDT certification in Implants. This achievement demonstrates my determination to excel not only for myself but also for my patients and colleagues who rely on my expertise.” —**Erika Ramirez, CDT, TE**

## Your Donations Have Helped to:

- ▶ Sponsor NBC's Job Task Analysis of the new Digital Workflow CDT specialty.
- ▶ Assist NADL in their occupational awareness campaign, which seeks to help drive people into the DLT career field either through attending a DLT program or by on-the-job (OJT) training.
- ▶ Assist schools with the purchase of CAD/CAM consumables and the creation of a new CAD/CAM curriculum to teach students how to utilize new technology.
- ▶ Launch a national NBC Approved Continuing Education Provider Directory Search at [www.dentallabfoundation.org/cesearch](http://www.dentallabfoundation.org/cesearch) for easy access to 1,500+ CE opportunities.
- ▶ Secure longevity of the CDT Pillar Scholarship and provide scholarships to over 500 technicians pursuing their CDT totaling over \$500,000.
- ▶ Launch the RG Pillar Scholarship and provide scholarships to over 90 DLT students pursuing their RG, totaling over \$20,000.
- ▶ Bring back the NADL University Grant after previously being funded by a strategic partner.
- ▶ Provide more than \$150,000 directly to schools to develop and heighten DLT awareness and education through the Keystone Grant.
- ▶ Offer the Mark Jackson Memorial Education Grant, providing higher level education opportunities to dental laboratory technicians, totaling over \$75,000.
- ▶ Launch and expand the Foundation Learning Library at [www.dentallabfoundation.org/courses](http://www.dentallabfoundation.org/courses), which hosts over 100 online courses, **free of charge** with the coupon code DLTFoundation.
- ▶ Launch the CDT Hardship Grant to assist CDTs experiencing a hardship in paying their annual CDT renewal fee.
- ▶ Launch the Vision 21 Grant and Leadership Development Grant in order to provide access to higher education in DLT.

# Who Have We Helped? 2024 FDLT Grant & Scholarship Recipients



## CDT HARDSHIP GRANT

A total of 10 CDT Hardship Grants were awarded. Recipient's names are kept anonymous for privacy purposes.



## CDT PILLAR SCHOLARSHIP

Adam Prewitt – Trophy Club, TX  
 Akiela Joseph – Coconut Creek, FL  
 Albert Romero – Springfield, MO  
 Amber Mckenney – Jacksonville, FL  
 Ami Atkinson – Madison, AL  
 Andrea McCall – Rapid City, SD  
 Angel Lowe – Vinton, LA  
 Carissa Stewart – Huber Heights, OH  
 Charles Luchka – Cleveland, TN  
 Chaudhry Tariq, RG – Island Park, NY  
 Ching Lai – Jacksonville, FL  
 Christopher Hernandez – Saint Charles, MO  
 Clair Fahim – Staten Island, NY  
 Cybele Weilbacher, CDT – Dunedin, FL  
 Daniel Diaz-Torres – Lompoc, CA  
 Daniel Moon, RG – Palatine, IL  
 Dominic Pozzie – Bolingbrook, IL  
 Douglas Salazar – South Jordan, UT  
 Duane Miller-Suchey – Oneonta, AL  
 Erika Ramirez, CDT, TE – New York, NY  
 Hyunwoo Oh – Chantilly, VA  
 Jaime Molinares – Clermont, FL  
 Jairo Camachomejia – Katy, TX  
 James Hardy – Louisville, KY  
 Jesse Daniels – Wellington, FL  
 Joaquin Mendez – Youngstown, OH  
 Kaitlyn Brennan – Beech Island, SC  
 Kevin Bortman, CDT – Las Vegas, NV  
 Kimberly Conklin – Scottsdale, AZ  
 Kimvan Nguyen, RG – New Orleans, LA  
 Leila Zadeh – Scottsdale, AZ  
 Lisa Fleming – Wellington, FL  
 Maddie Gollnick – APO, AZ  
 Man Kwok Zhu, CDT, TE – Iowa City, IA  
 Manuel Aguilar, CDT – San Antonio, TX

Matthew Raes – Hiawatha, IA  
 Maximillo Ivanovich – High Point, NC  
 Miguel Almeida – Miami, FL  
 Nancy Coles, RG – Beaumont, CA  
 Nelson Oparaugo – Nigeria  
 Nesma Elazzab – Bradenton, FL  
 Nichole Wilson – Aubrey, TX  
 Nick Alonge – Granada Hills, CA  
 Pietro Fernandes – Doral, FL  
 Preston Fountain – Cedar Park, TX  
 Qamar Sohail, CDT – Brooklyn, NY  
 Ramachandan Aththiyappan, CDT – India  
 Rebecca Fernandez, CDT – Parrish, FL  
 Rebecca Roberts – Spring, TX  
 Rene Alvarado – Houston, TX  
 Richard Kammeraad, CDT – Rockwall, TX  
 Saleh Almaz – Egypt  
 Sarah Weyhrauch, CDT – Vancouver, WA  
 Shin Hwan Kim, CDT – Clemmons, NC  
 Tenia Dansby – Houston, TX  
 Tom Rostron, CDT – San Diego, CA  
 Vadim Petrov – Mukilteo, WA  
 Whitney Courtney, CDT – Melbourne, FL  
 Yutzel Casiano – Richmond, TX



## KEYSTONE GRANT

Durham Technical College – Durham, NC  
 New York City College of Technology – Brooklyn, NY



## LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT GRANT

Daniel Villareal Sr. – Lompoc, CA  
 Francisco Alvarado – Lompoc, CA  
 Jann Soriano – Santa Maria, CA  
 Mandy Arena – Saint Louis, MO  
 Preston Fountain – Cedar Park, TX



## MARK JACKSON MEMORIAL EDUCATION GRANT

Darin Smith, CDT – Kernersville, NC  
 Nicholas Smith – Kernersville, NC  
 Sandra Root, CDT – Owosso, MI



## NADL UNIVERSITY GRANT

Jason Holtz, CDT – Colchester, VT  
 Sandra Root, CDT – Owosso, MI



## PTC JOHN NESS MEMORIAL EDUCATION GRANT

Christopher Hernandez – Saint Charles, MO  
 Olufemi Olubodun – Nigeria



## RG PILLAR SCHOLARSHIP

Alyssa Sacchi, RG – Bronx, NY  
 Anjali Molina, RG – Sparkill, NY  
 Asiyah Wright, RG – Brooklyn, NY  
 Carlisle Mazellan – Seattle, WA  
 Chaudhry Tariq, RG – Island Park, NY  
 Eliza Espinal – Bronx, NY  
 Kaidan Fan – Brooklyn, NY  
 Karen Huang, RG – New York, NY  
 Kiana Valdez, RG – Ozone Park, NY  
 Kimberly Siems – Cedar Rapids, IA  
 Linette Moore – Bronx, NY  
 Nina Hagentorn – Monrovia, CA  
 Phuong Phan – Pasadena, CA  
 Ronna Mae Pidut, RG – Pasadena, CA  
 Talieah Ram, RG – Long Island City, NY  
 Wint Hlaing, RG – El Monte, CA  
 Yen Vo, CDT – Abbeville, LA



## SCDL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE EDUCATION GRANT

Amy Sikes – Bridgeton, MO  
 Kelsey Boles – Grants Pass, OR



## SCDL COMPONENT BUSINESS EDUCATION GRANT

Florida Dental Laboratory Association



## SPEAR EDUCATION GRANT

Angela Hanno – Phoenix, AZ  
 Anzhela Grigoryan, CDT – Los Angeles, CA  
 Christiane Liteli – Durham, NC  
 Clair Fahim – Staten Island, NY  
 Kevin Kelly, CDT – Thornton, CO  
 Kristin Gorter, CDT – Rosemount, MN  
 Ramachandan Aththiyappan, CDT – India



## STERNGOLD GRANT

Indiana University School of Dentistry – Fort Wayne, IN



## VISION 21 GRANT

Danielle Young – Miami, FL  
 Darius Lajauskas, CDT – Kenmore, WA  
 Julia Izumi – Vancouver, Canada  
 Michael Nemec – Green Bay, WI  
 Ned LaMarti, CDT – Tampa, FL  
 Stephenie Dwyer, CDT – LaOtto, IN  
 Tracy Graham, RG – Harvey, LA

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# Building the Future of Dental Laboratory Technology

## We Honor Your Commitment

The Foundation for Dental Laboratory Technology (Foundation) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that was incorporated in December 2008 with the help of its sister organizations – the National Association of Dental Laboratories (NADL) and the National Board for Certification in Dental Laboratory Technology (NBC). The Foundation ensures the industry’s viability and advancement by creating access to relevant dental laboratory technology education and providing grants and scholarships to assist with the cost of education and certification.

Countless individual CDTs, dental laboratories, manufacturers, suppliers, and speakers routinely support the Foundation. We would like to take the opportunity to recognize the key contributors that have gone above and beyond in their support.

As of 12/1/2024, these individuals and companies have provided direct cash contributions and/or in kind services cumulatively since 2020. The levels reflected are amounts received. Many of these individuals and companies have renewed multi-year pledges to far exceed their current contribution levels.

**–Thank YOU!**

### \$100K IN SUPPORT AND ABOVE:



### \$50K IN SUPPORT AND ABOVE:



### \$20K IN SUPPORT AND ABOVE:



### \$10K SUPPORT AND ABOVE:

- Absolute Dental Services
- Artistic Dental Laboratories, Inc., CDL
- Barbara Warner, CDT, AAACD
- Bismarck/Mandan Dental Lab
- CMR Dental Lab (In Kind)
- Concord Dental Laboratory, Inc., CDL
- Denise Burris, CDT
- Florida Dental Laboratory Association
- Friendship Dental Laboratory, Inc., CDL
- Glidewell Laboratories, CDL
- Helm Dental Laboratory
- Keystone Industries
- Nakanishi Dental Laboratory, Inc., CDL
- Phillip Gold, Master CDT
- Protea Dental Studio, Inc.
- Restorative Arts Dental Lab, CDL
- Spectrum Killian Dental Lab Alliance
- Sterngold Dental, LLC
- United Dental Labs, Inc., CDL

### \$5K SUPPORT AND ABOVE:

- Aidite (Qinhuangdao) Technology Co., Ltd.
- alliantgroup
- Artifex, Inc.
- Blackburn Dental Lab, Inc.
- Castable Ceramics
- Dana Cohen, CDT (In Kind)
- Dandy
- David Avery, CDT
- Dimension Dental Design
- Gary Iocco
- GC America, Inc.
- Hermitage Dental Lab, CDL
- Image Gallery, CDL
- Keating Dental Lab, CDL
- Lifelike Dental Studio, CDL
- Majestic Dental Arts, Inc., CDL
- NDX Thayer, CDL
- Pan-Am Dental Lab, CDL (pledged \$20k)
- Partners in Association Management, Inc.
- Peterson Dental Laboratory, Inc., CDL
- Puche Dental Laboratory
- SafeLink Consulting, Inc.
- Sherer Dental Lab, CDL
- SS White Dental (pledged \$20k)
- Vulcan Custom Dental
- Warren Rogers

### \$1K SUPPORT AND ABOVE:

- Alien Milling Technologies (In Kind)
- American Dental Supply, Inc.
- AMG Creative, Inc.
- Arrowhead Dental Laboratory
- B & D Dental Technologies
- Barksdale Dental Lab
- Bennett Napier, CAE
- Binh Nguyen, CDT
- Burt and Associates
- Caruso Dental Laboratory, Inc.
- CIMsystem USA
- DeLux Dental Laboratory, CDL
- Dental Arts Laboratories, Inc.
- Dess-USA
- Dickerman Dental Prosthetics, CDL
- Digital Dental
- Digital Smile Innovations
- Distinctive Dental Studio, CDL
- DLT Training & Education, LLC
- Evident, Inc.
- exocad
- Express Dental Laboratory (In Kind)
- Finesse Dental Lab, Inc.
- Glen Douglas Studio
- Greater Cincinnati Dental Lab
- Handler Manufacturing, LLC
- Harmeet Bindra
- Harvest Dental
- Image Dental Arts
- Inman Orthodontic Laboratories, CDL
- JB Godley Jr., DDS
- Jen Ludwig, CDT
- John Madden Prosthetics
- John McMillan
- Kay Hayden
- Kristen Brown
- Ladies of the Mill
- Leixir Dental Group
- Leonard Marotta, CDT
- Nacera
- NDX Albensi
- Norman Weinstock
- Pizzi Dental Studio, Inc.
- Ragle Dental Laboratory, Inc., CDL
- Renata Budny, CDT, TE
- Renstrom Dental Studio, Inc., CDL
- Robert Warner
- Roland DGA
- Ruben Arebalo
- Sasha Der Avanesian
- She Designs Dental Studio, Inc.
- Shofu Dental Corporation
- Sierra Dental Tool
- Silcox Dental Supply
- Somer Dental Laboratories, CDL
- Stratasys
- Suburban Dental Laboratory, CDL
- Technic Dental Lab
- The Incisal Edge (pledged \$5k)
- Thompson Suburban Dental Lab
- Tom Ivey, CDT
- Tom Love
- Touchstone Dental Lab
- Travis Zick
- Treasure Dental Laboratory, CDL
- True Function Laboratory, Inc.
- Utah Valley Dental Lab, Inc., CDL
- Voices From the Bench
- Weiss Advisors
- Young Dental Laboratory, Inc., CDL

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